



Excellence in Action

- Jan. 1012:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
Program - Dan Hegstad, Health Care Directives
- Jan. 1712:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
- Jan. 2412:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
Program - Joe Brenny, Grief in the Workplace
- Jan. 3112:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
Program - Jim Oraskovich, Youth Corrections
- Feb. 712:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
Program - Bob McLean
- Feb. 14.....12:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
Program - Surprise
- Feb. 2112:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
- Feb. 28.....12:00-1:15 **Rotary Club Meeting**
Brainerd Hotel & Conference Center
Program - Jeff Torfin, Brainerd Realty Update

(If you would like your Rotary Committee Meeting or Rotary event listed here please email Lakes Printing at kthesing@lakesprinting.com)



Rotary Reporter

Brainerd Lakes Area

ROTARY MEETING December 27, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Richard zumBrunnen.

Allan Cibuzar gave the invocation and led the Four-Way Test. We sang "God Bless America".

Guests:

- Jeannine zumBrunnen, guest of Richard zumBrunnen
- Mark Persons, guest of Paula Persons
- Gisela Borgwarth, guest of Hanspeter Borgwarth
- Dennis Drummond and ChristineAn Drummond, guests of Jodi Drummond
- Helen Estrem, guest of John Swanson
- Mike Rook, son of Buford Johnson
- Judy Klement, guest of Dan Klement
- Sue Brown, guest of Bill Blum
- Jody Osterloh, guest of Rod
- Jean Schaeffer, guest of Dave Schaeffer
- Laura Bielke, guest of Lauren Bielke

Announcements:

- Richard zumBrunnen gave a toast to the end of the year and the start of the New Year. He thanked the Brainerd Hotel for the great service and food they have provided throughout the year.

- Greeters for next week are Paula Persons and Donn Peterson.
- Deb Erickson commented on the inclusion of the Positive Charge Campaign in The Rotarian. It is next to the crossword puzzle so everyone will see it.
- Rod Osterloh gave 2nd notice on new member admission for Tim Bogenschutz of the Brainerd Dispatch.

Fines:

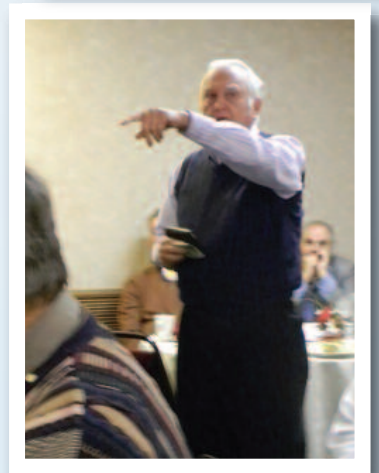
- Jodi Drummond was substitute Sergeant At Arms.
- Jodi fined all Scandinavians that didn't have lutefisk over the holidays. As well as the table full of men that didn't bring their wives to Rotary.

Happy fines:

- Al Cibuzar was happy that the whole family was home for the holidays.
- Buford Johnson was happy he didn't have to eat lutefisk.
- Dave Johnson reported the cabin was over budget again, and the budget keeps going up.
- Dan Hegstad was happy to have a week off and that his son will be returning from Germany in 19 days.
- Donn Peterson was happy to see the stock market may possibly finish ahead this year.

- John Swanson was happy that the whole family was home for the holidays.
- Don Rasmussen was happy that the roads were clear for driving over the holidays.
- Hans Peter was happy that General Vessey was recovering from a serious car accident and is doing well in rehab.
- Rod Carlson wasn't happy when his wife opened a Christmas card from E.L. Menk Jewelers. She wondered what he had been shopping there for since she hadn't been receiving any jewelry. He would be happy to be taken off the list. Ed Menk contributed \$1 for the advertisement.
- Richard zumBrunnen and family celebrated 3 birthdays this week: Christ, his daughter-in-law, and his 3-yr old grandson.

The program was introduced by Al Cibuzar. **The Brainerd High School Saxophone Quartet** performed several numbers for the group. The group consists of two alto, one tenor and one baritone sax. Performers were: Ryan Goos, Lauren Makey, Chris Wiger and Elise Carlson.



ROTARY MEETING January 3, 2012

Members Present.....	54
Total Membership.....	110
Percent in Attendance	49%

Roving Ambassadors: Larry Lundblad to Staples

President Rick opened the meeting at 12:10 with the singing of My Country Tis of Thee led by John Swanson. Following the reciting of the Rotary Four-Way Test, Jody Drummond gave the invocation. Our 2011-12 theme is "Excellence in Action."

Following the introduction of guests and the announcements, new member Tim Bogenschutz was inducted. Sergeant-at-Arms, Monica Nieman, performed the sergeant's duties. Tim also brought the program of the day in the absence of the planned one.

John Swanson won the weekly drawing. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 with the enthusiastic singing of R-O-T-A-R-Y.

VISITNG ROTARIANS & GUESTS:

Rotarian Mike Dunker from Halva OK, who is transferring to Brainerd Rotary.
Grandson Tristan Prathap was the guest of Donn Peterson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR:

- PDG Ajoy Chatterjee is doing well in rehab after his stroke in October, according to the card from his wife. He is grateful for Brainerd Rotary's support.
- Member Tim Bray's wife and family thanked Rotary for our support while Tim is serving in Afghanistan.
- Greeters for January 10th are Bill Potvin & Don Porter.
- The January Board of Directors is on the 10th.
- President Rick will host the Board at his home 5:30, Tuesday, January 17th, for a Brainerd Rotary mid-year review.
- The 2012 Group Study Exchange (G.S.E.) Team from Australia will be in the Brainerd area April 25-28. See PP Rick Bricker for further information.

- The Club Nominating Committee will meet to nominate needed members to the Club Board for 2012-13. See PP Theresa Goble or any of the 5 past Presidents (PPs) to offer your suggestions. Openings are: President Elect, Club Service Director, Treasurer, and Membership Secretary.
- The Riverside Rotary Park deed will be presented to the Brainerd City Council tonight, Tuesday, January 3rd.
- Club Banners are again available to Brainerd Rotarians to exchange with other clubs while traveling. Copies of the Brainerd Rotary current member directory and the history are also available
- 2011 S.T.R.I.V.E. Scholarship recipient, Karla Bogg, writes to thank Brainerd Rotary once again for the education and financial support she received. Donn Peterson shared her first semester report card from Central Lakes College. She achieved a B, B+ average.

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION:

- Rod Osterloh welcomed new member Tim Bogenschutz to Brainerd Rotary. He wondered if Tim just might be the first 2012 Rotarian in the world. His sponsor, Jeff Torfin gave Tim his Rotary pin.
- Rod reminded each member of the honor and privilege of being part of Rotary, an amazing worldwide business and professional service club. Each of us has responsibility to carry out the Rotary principles in our lives and in our community. Tim received a warm round of welcoming applause.

SERGEANT -AT-ARMS, Monica Nieman

- Three members were declared exempt from paying any fines for the day for the correct answers they gave to Rotary information: Theresa Goble, Dan Hegstad and Donn Peterson. All the Rotarians with January birthdays volunteered a dollar in exchange for having fellow Rotarians offer a fine rendition of Happy Birthday.
- Penny Nelson gave a buck for her appearance in the Dispatch, along with Ray Gildow who received the John Jord award. Gary paid a dollar for his publicity in the paper. Dutch Cragun was fined for his coming so late that he had to go to the kitchen to find some lunch.
- Mike Sands fined Jill Carlson Ferrie for doing such a fine job host-

ing Rena Kawakami, our 09-10 Rotary Exchange student, that she is returning this spring for a visit. Becky Best fined Larry Lundblad for actually enjoying lutefisk during the holidays. Larry Lundblad fined Pres. Rick for his pleasure in eating "buttered donuts."

- Denny Doucette gladly fined himself for selling his share in the insurance business and taking retirement 12/31/11. Jesse Hopkins fined Rick Slieter for his great work in 2011 promoting Rotary's building of secondary schools in Haiti.

PROGRAM: Tim Bogenschutz, Editor, Brainerd Dispatch

Tim expressed his pleasure at becoming a new Rotarian and then being asked to fill in due the absence of the planned program. Tim and his wife, Nancy moved to Brainerd from Albert Lea in 1979 to work at the Brainerd Dispatch. His training in journalism and the newspaper business began in Albert Lee, along with several mentors. Tim and Nancy have 3 children and 4 grand children. One child with three of their grandchildren lives in Amman, Jordan.

After spending 15 years in the out-of-doors industry Tim returned to the Dispatch 7 years ago, and recently became editor. Tim noted how the Dispatch is proactively making timely changes to reposition itself for success in the evolving media and news publishing world. The impact of the internet is leading the Dispatch to reinvent itself. The Dispatch with its 100 employees is physically consolidating its operations to Brainerd in order to best utilize the talents of its staff and accomplish the work to be done. Its news services to Pine River and Nisswa will continue.

For hobbies Tim noted his continued interest in the out-of-doors, photography, and golf. His family has a home on Vermillion. His photography has been displayed in a number of art shows. He would be pleased to present a photography program on the Jordan and the Middle East.

Several members expressed their appreciation for the quality and service of the Dispatch to the Brainerd Lakes area.

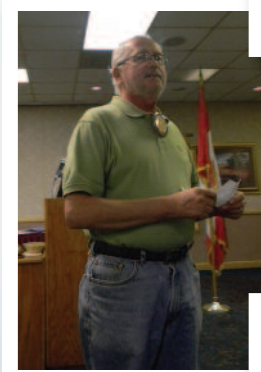
GOING TO WINNIPEG: See John Luce to go this February.

- Gary Kurilla says: Mattie and I went 9 times. I really enjoyed the camaraderie of Rotarians from Canada, Wisconsin, North Dakota and Minnesota. I formed many new friendships with Rotarians across our 5580 District and the Winnipeg area.
- Dutch Cragun says: The bus trip to Canada as well as the event offered a great opportunity to build new friendships. I even learned a little about curling. Of course, having a Canadian wife added to the pleasure; Irma eased our way through customs.
- Bill Blum says: In our 10th trip, Susan and I really enjoyed experiencing Winnipeg in the winter, learning how to curl from the Canadians, and getting to know more of the international character of Rotary, as well as gaining new friends.

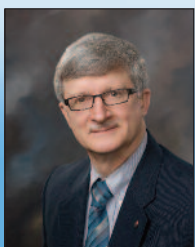
Submitted by Dan Klement



presenting the park title to the City of Brainerd



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