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Last Week at Rotary... Feb. 24th: Our club Fasted for Hope. We had soup for lunch and bussed our own dishes. The savings from this meal will be used to support the District's Fast for Hope project about sustainable community development in Nicaragua. Info on travel program to Nicaragua on back.

This Week at Rotary... March 3rd: Dan Wiemer will be speaking to the group about his experience in China...with our Sister City program which Rotary helped get started in Red Wing

Upcoming Rotary Programs & Events

March 17th: STRIVE students will be visiting our club. The program will be geared toward these students.

March 24th: David Anderson (our District Book Czar) has challenged us to read the book *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson. We will have a book discussion at this meeting.

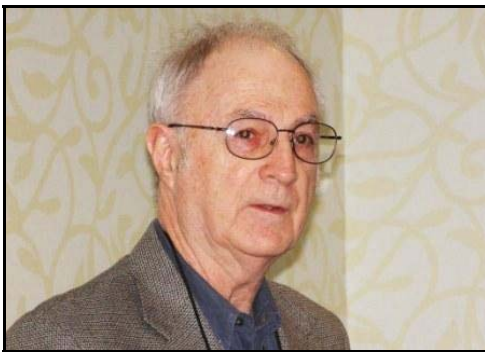
March 31st: Our Rotary friend from Grahamstown, South Africa Mr. Bill Mills will be visiting Red Wing. Mr Mills hosted Red Wing's Ambassadorial Scholar CoeLita Finke and also helped our International Service projects in South Africa succeed.

April 17-19: District Conference in River Falls

April 28-May 3: GSE Team from Sweden in Red Wing

April 28 **Rotary Day in Red Wing.** How will you Celebrate Rotary?

June 20th Red Wing Rotary Marching Band Classic is back downtown at Noon... be there



Bob Norberg reflects a moment as he speaks to our group about present day conditions in Gaza and Israel.



Diane Laumer presents a Rotary flag from her home club in Texas. Diane has family in Red Wing.

Red Wing Rotary 2008-09

Club Administration

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Holiday Party: Lynette Pearson

Sweetheart Luncheon:

Spring Fundraiser:

Community Service: Scott McNurlin

Band Classic:

RCD Parade: Tom Feehan & Mandy Lohman

Pottery Pond: David Anderson

Donation Requests: Michelle Hurlbut
& Gary Johnson

Vocational Service: Roger Palmquist

Literacy:

Scholarships:

STRIVE: Meg Walch

Service Above Self Awards: Randy Johnson

Camp Enterprise:

Camp RYLA:

International Service: Arne Skyberg

Youth Exchange: Lisa Marty & Phil McNairy

Fast For Hope:

World Community Service Project:

Rotary Foundation: Roger Sammon

District Grants:

Group Study Exchange: Arne Skyberg
& Roger Sammon

Rotary Foundation -Club Fund Goal:

*Some of these positions get filled each week.
Can YOU step up to the Rotary plate and
lead our Club's efforts on one of these*

Opportunity to Travel to Nicaragua

Dear Rotarians:

I am writing to inform you that applications are now open to ALL Rotarians for our next Fast for Hope delegation to Nicaragua which is scheduled for May 7 thru May 17th. Once again we hope that this delegation will consist of Rotarians who have not previously been to Nicaragua as well as some returning Rotarians. This may be the final delegation this year for which we will be seeking delegates.

The purpose of this delegation will be:

1. To learn about the history and culture of Nicaragua.
2. To continue to deepen our district's relationship with the Masaya Rotary Club,
3. To continue to learn about our model for sustainable economic development,
4. To participate in one or more projects with the Masaya Rotary Club, and
5. Have fun and experience some of the beauty of Nicaragua.

The cost to each Rotarians should not exceed \$1,300. Each Rotarian will pay for his/her own airfare (this is the biggest variable), food, lodging, entry and exit fees and any other miscellaneous expenses. The district will pay for in country transportation, translators and for Kairos (our NGO) who will accompany the delegation and facilitate the trip.

Everyone who has been on previous delegations has found this to be a very rewarding experience. On Delegation #4, that just returned February 1, were six Rotarians who had never been to Nicaragua before. They are:

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Any of these Rotarians would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

The only requirement is that you be a member of District 5960 (in the future we will be opening this to friends and family members, but NOT for this delegation.) and that you commit to participate in some training that will be conducted before the delegation leaves. Knowledge of Spanish is NOT required.

If you want to be considered as a delegate then please submit an application to me either electronically or by U.S. Mail, to the addresses below by March 8, 2009. Attached are two forms of the application. One if you want to complete it electronically and the other if you want to complete it by hand. Selection of the team will be completed by March 20.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions. I encourage you to participate if you can, it will be a life changing experience.

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