

THE RICHMOND ROTOR



ROTARY CLUB OF RICHMOND, INDIANA
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District 6560



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Club 3419

April 14, 2009 No. 41

“Professionals meeting Professionals, where Knowledge and Numbers together, can make Wayne County more Literate.”

Attendance April 7, 2009	52.38%	Members	24
Fiscal year-to-date attendance	43.88%	Count	21
		Leave of Absence	0
		Honorary	2
	Attendance: excluding LOA & HON members		8
	Guests present		0

Guests:

The Card drawing is at \$163 with 14 cards to go.



YEA!!----Gil Klose missed it!.....

LOL

Quote of the week!.

If a man does not make new acquaintances as he advances through life, he will soon find himself alone. A man should keep his friendships in constant repair. Samuel Johnson (1709 - 1784)

That you may retain your self-respect, it is better to displease the people by doing what you know is right, than to temporarily please them by doing what you know is wrong. William J. H. Boetcker

Personally I'm always ready to learn, although I do not always like being taught. Sir Winston Churchill (1874 - 1965)

Laughter and tears are both responses to frustration and exhaustion. I myself prefer to laugh, since there is less cleaning up to do afterward. Kurt Vonnegut (1922 - 2007)

Up-Coming Programs:

April 14	Paul Kriese	
April 21	Deanna Beaman	River Rats Baseball
April 28	Alan Spears	SVP Trust Officer, First Bank Richmond
May 12	Richard Murdock	IN State Treasurer

Pat needs your help; please give her a call with programs that you might have. 765-935-7771

Call Pat James with any program ideas you might have!

ROTARY TEAM

- You can't stay in your corner of the Forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes. - A. A. Milne, Pooh's Little Instruction Book*

Club Birthdays

Albert Fullerton
Frederick Grohsmeyer
Larry Turner

Happy Birthday!!

April 24
April 07
April 19

Club Anniversaries

Kenneth Bailey
Max Bailey
Albert Fullerton

Congratulations!

23 Years
23 Years
2 Years



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Last Week’s Program:



Don Bates presented a comparative analysis of the economic situation in the United States. He began with a review of what Wachovia analysts saw as the economic outlook for the year 2009 and then offered a comparison with a review of the economic situation as of April, 2009.

This is what Wachovia analysts in December, 2008 said they saw for the year 2009. They said they saw an economy in trouble, but still saw no reason not to expect to see an occasional break in the clouds. They said it was unlikely that there would be a strong rally in 2009, and we should not anticipate seeing evidence of a recovery before the second half of the year at the earliest. Growth stocks, they said, will be a better investor choice than value stocks and municipal bonds could also be a good choice.

So: where are we as of April, 2009. The recent surge in the Dow is a blip. Something exactly parallel happened in 1933 and that strong rally petered out. There are investor opportunities in municipal bonds. Bonds paying five plus percent are to be had but care must be taken to be sure they are sound. Many bond funds have been hurt seriously. The Bond Fund of America is down thirteen percent. Money market funds have also been hit. Some report a unit value of less than one dollar! If there is to be a genuine rally in the market, it is likely not to come earlier than the fourth quarter. There are at least a few areas in the economy that provide a reason for optimism. The housing market appears to have more or less settled. Houses are no longer overpriced. The savings rate appears to be rising meaningfully. Mortgage money at low rates is becoming available and foreclosures are likely to slow down. In 2009 “housing should bottom.” In recent years trading in foreign issues has generally brought a higher return than domestic issues. That is no longer true. We are still in a serious recession and the problems in the housing market have been a serious drag on the economy. With the housing market apparently on the way to being stabilized, it is in order to believe that we may soon see the recession beginning to wind down. gh

MEMBERSHIP -- WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are a club of 24 members with only about 44% attendance on a regular basis. (10 – 11 in attendance)
We have several that are retired and will be leaving the club in a few years.
We are losing a member now due to the member moving to another location.

Question:

What is it going to take to get new membership for this club?

Remember to bring back the Vision Worksheet as soon as possible. We need to hear from everyone.

A Membership Meeting will be planned in the next month so we can set goals and form a game plan to entice new members. We will obtain a copy of the Club Member history so we can see who our past members were associated with or what their professions were.

“One idea already is to have current members contact those that were not at a meeting and let them know what happened and what is planned for the next week”.

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THE FOUR WAY TEST:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it BUILD GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Richmond Rotary Club

Officers 2008 – 2009

President: Jodie Dwyer
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Board of Directors

<u>One Year:</u>	<u>Two Years:</u>	<u>Three Years:</u>
Herb Fraser Pat James	John Simpson Harold Simpson	Tim Loyd Al Fullerton

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Membership:	John Simpson & Board of Directors
Public Relations:	Paul Kreise & Gordon Henderson
Social Club Activities:	Harold Simpson
Club Programs:	Pat James
Goals:	
To keep the members informed of the communities activities through weekly programs.	
To promote the "Mission of Rotary" to club members.	
To promote community leadership through understanding and applying the 4-way test by club members.	
To promote club service & fellowship opportunities.	
To develop and implement a public relations campaign to promote Rotary's mission and encourage club membership.	

COMMUNITY LITERACY INITIATIVE

Literacy:	President Jodie Dwyer
Goals:	
To promote Literacy awareness though-out Wayne County and Richmond, Indiana.	
To promote vocational awareness through the diversity of job classifications in our club.	
To promote career development & recognize vocational accomplishments.	
To search out service opportunities to partner with other organizations in the community.	

ROTARY FOUNDATION AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

International Service:	Herb Fraser
Rotary Foundation:	Herb Fraser
Goals:	
To promote awareness of the many international Rotary programs worldwide.	
To encourage community participation in group study and student exchange programs with other countries.	
To promote Rotary's Ambassadorial Scholarship program, including encouraging local applicants for the program.	