

The Noon News

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Waterloo Exchange Club

New Member Induction - Past President Wanda Martin conducted the induction of two new members today. Brittany Jungk works for the Junior Achievement organization. Brittany is originally from Perry, IA, but calls Waterloo home now. Her husband is a teacher. They have a son. Brittany says she explored several service club organizations before settling on Exchange. She said she sees so many needs in the community and our focus serves those needs well.



Newbies: Brittany Jungk and John Woods

John Woods' first contact with Exchange was in 1984 when he received the Police Officer of the Year award. John's retired from the Police Department now, but he works with Shield Technology, a local company that provides software for law enforcement agencies. John and his wife Ann have two children. Us old-timers remember Ann as a club member before her job demands increased to the point that she had to drop out.

Salvation Army Raffle - Bernie Moine rose to announce the raffle to benefit the Salvation Army will commence next week and run for 4 weeks. The format will be the same as past years. Members will be able to purchase tickets for a drawing with lots of nice prizes that will be held during the meeting each week. As if that wasn't enough, we'll save all our weekly tickets for a huge drawing for splendid grand prizes at the end of the campaign. More details about the grand prizes later, but from what Bernie has shared, we can safely say there's some special items to be had.

Eric Rottinghaus is serving as co-chair of the committee with Bernie. They need help in obtaining prizes for the drawings. Please bring along some suitable items or ask someone you know who may be able to help with this.

The funds raised are going to a special organization that does a great job in the community. And we know first hand what an excellent leader and capable manager the Salvation Army's Captain Jerry O'Neal is. So, bring along some extra cash for your tickets.

Guests - We had two guests today. Don Faris invited Jim Aronson as his guest. Jim owns *J. Aronson Interior Designs* here in Waterloo. Jackie Allen hosted Janet Tripp. Janet is a former member who's returning to the fold. Welcome back Janet and we hope to see you back again, Jim.

NEXT MEETING LOGISTICS

Program : Dry Run Creek Initiative
Prayer : Bill Senn
Pledge : Tony Fisher
Menu : Tenderloin and Fries

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH

Dec 03: Roast Pork Loin
Dec 10: Chicken Cordon Bleu
Dec 17: Meatloaf
Dec 24: No Meeting
Dec 31: No Meeting

Order Chef Salad one week in advance

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Dec 03: Students of the Month (2)
Dec 10: Iowa Criminal Investigation Unit
Dec 17: Closed Business Meeting
Dec 24: No Meeting
Dec 31: No Meeting

BIRTHDAYS

Nov 23: Larry Shollenbarger

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

President Neebel offered this seasonal poem.

Thanksgiving 8000 Calorie Diet

May your stuffing be tasty
May your turkey be plump
May you potatoes & gravy have nary a lump
May your yams be delicious & your pies take the prize
May your Thanksgiving dinner stay off you thighs.

Erma Bombeck

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EXPO's Student Food Drive - The sign the young woman is holding says 5,886. That's the weight of the food EXPO purchased with the money received from



Roger Shook and EXPO students at the Food Bank

our Club and raised by selling boxed lunches. Combined with the food donations they received, the total amount of food the students delivered to the Food Bank was almost 7,000 pounds (*I incorrectly stated 9,000 Monday*). That total was good for second place in EXPO's division and \$850 in prize money.

Janesville come out of nowhere and won first place in the division with 50 pounds of food per student. We aren't sure at this time what the Janesville total was, but we are working on getting that information and will publish it at a later date, if we can.

The total for all the schools was over 60,000 pounds. That's just an incredible number and will do a lot for the folks in our community that need it. Thanks again for your support. It meant a lot to the folks at EXPO.

Membership Initiative - President Neebel reminded us that next week is the last chance to bring a visitor and qualify for the lavish Chili Cook-off event she'll be hosting at her home in December.

Monday's meal will be very yummy (*as my granddaughter says*). And we have what promises to be a great program. Rebecca Kauten from the USDA's Black Hawk County NRCS office will give us an update on the Dry Run Creek Watershed project and how it will revitalize a portion of the watershed (which runs along the north side of the UNI campus) for public use. So, it'll be a great day to bring a guest.

Upcoming social events - Our Christmas Party will be November 30th. Folks will gather at the Black Hawk Hotel Lobby for a social time at 6:15 with appetizers, champagne and cash bar. Then it's off to a play, *In-specting Carol*, at Oster Regent Theatre. Curtain time is 7:30. The play is a spoof on the classic play *A Christmas Carol*. Then it's back to the Black Hawk Hotel Lobby for coffee, deserts and liquors. The cost is \$10 for members and \$40 for guests. RSVP **ASAP** to Donald Faris at 319-235-7221 or email Jennifer Heller at jheller@pointbuilders.com.

One Nation Under God Banquet - Last Thursday, November 15th we had the One Nation Under God program. The program was sponsored by our club along with the other area clubs. A total of 126 members and friends from all six Exchange clubs in the



Rev. Dan Paxton greets some guests

area attended. This cross-club participation is what the founder of the program, Wanda Martin, had in mind as one of objectives of the program at it's inception. Aaron Buzza did a fine job as MC. There was all kinds of music- from bagpipes by Joel Harris to singing by Carl Janssen. Sandy Kline from our club is Carl's mother-in-law.

The East High ROTC served as the color guard. Pastor Don Paxton from Heartland Vineyard Church presented his view of several historical events associated with the theme that America is One Nation Under God. Wanda presented a nice reading that Rosy Briden had given her. It was a great to see Bob there too. Our Americanism focus is one of Bob's special interests.

Kent Halder presented a slideshow honoring the Iowa soldiers who lost their lives in Afghanistan and Iraq. Family members from three of the fallen soldiers joined us as our guests.

Nice job Wanda and committee.