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Columbus High School Students of the Month - Jackie Kugler, Co-chair of the Student of the Month/Year project, arranged for us to meet the three remaining Students of the Month from Columbus High School.



L to r: Michael Berns, Malynda Ryan and Darcy Kjeld

Once again the students described how the opportunities they take advantage of the many opportunities they have at school as well as the many extra-curricular these students participate in all contribute to expanding their horizons. From Michael Berns' Dr. Fix-it class; to Malynda Ryan's ten day trip to Italy with the Waterloo Catholic Youth Ministry; to Darcy Kjeld's service as a Spanish tutor, all these experiences contribute to the growth of the remarkable young people.

Although the presentations were delivered in a soft-spoken way, they were all well received. I personally left feeling renewed and refreshed, as I suspect most of you did, too. We'll send copies of the essays in a separate email in order to keep the file size manageable.

Membership level - President Neebel gave us an overview of the club's membership level. We began the year (in July) with 98 members. Since then, we've lost two members while 11 new folks have joined us. So we are at 107, currently, compared to our goal to finish the year at 110. Diane went on to describe the club tradition of having the president perform some extraordinary task when the membership goal is reached. Typically the task selected for the president to perform is not only unpleasant, but also a little embarrassing. President Neebel is soliciting ideas for something that would sufficiently motivate the club members to soldier on to the goal. One idea that appears to be gathering wide support is to have the president swallow a live frog. Stay tuned.

Valentine social - Jennifer Heller, Social Committee Co-chair, announced that we will be having special desserts at the meeting next week. Plus, Jennifer is arranging for a "surprise special treat". This will be another excellent meeting to invite a guest to attend. Please let Jennifer know of your plans to bring guests, so she can make sure we have enough of everything. Click [here](#) to send her an email.

NEXT MEETING LOGISTICS

Program : Police Officer of the Year
Prayer : Sharon Droste
Pledge : Lynette Fitzgerald
Menu : BBQ Ribs

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH

Feb 18: Orange Roughy
Feb 25: Meatloaf
Mar 03: Hot Roast Beef Sandwich
Mar 10: Roast Pork Loin
Order Chef Salad one week in advance

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Feb 18: Closed Business Meeting
Feb 25: B.H. County Board of Supervisors
Mar 03: ACE Students (2)
Mar 10: Nation Pork Producers Association

BIRTHDAYS

Feb 05: Bill Willharm
Feb 10: Richard Nelson

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

President Neebel brought this quote from Dr. Robert H. Shaffer: "We must view young people not as empty bottles to be filled, but as candles to be lit."

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Guests - Larry Prohaska invited Brady Grughn from Lockard Development as his guest. Mary Shollenbarger invited Kathy McGowan as her guest. Welcome Brady and Kathy.

Lincoln School request - Tammy Schlitter asked me to pass along this request from Waterloo's Lincoln Elementary School for winter clothing that the children there are in need of. The request from Lincoln puts it this way. *"We are contacting some Friends and Organizations in the hope of helping our children acquire the boots and snow pants that are so badly needed. We have 40-45 children without snow boots and 10-15 without snow pants.*

We have been able to give coats, mittens and hats to many. At a time when it is so important for the children to stay healthy, we need to help them stay warm and dry."

The AIMS Committee is considering a gift from the club. Tammy thought some of you might want to individually help out, too.

The specifics on the needs and the contact information is shown on the graphic below.

Health issues update - Here's the latest on Aaron Buzza. Aaron said to pass along that he is doing fine. The doctors are impressed with the progress he is making and tell him he is "doing very well". Aaron is scheduled for one more procedure at Mayo that will potentially suppress his immune system to the point that he needs to stay away from crowds for 6-8 weeks. He'll be working at home and will be staying in touch via email.

**PLEASE!
HELP US!
URGENT!**

**OUR 'CHILDREN'
NEED:** *new or used*

- **SNOWBOOTS**
SIZES 1-8
- **SNOWPANTS**
SIZES 7/8-12/14
- **LINCOLN**
- **ELEMENTARY**
- **319-433-1990**
- **MS JOYCE**

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