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Elevate Program—Vice-president Beth Huffman introduced Diane Neebel who told us about two programs she is responsible for. Both of these pro-



Diane Neebel, Tracy and Galen Howsare discuss the program

grams involve young people, 12 to 18 years of age, that are well along in the foster care system and are nearing the time when they will "age out" of foster care. Both programs focus on preparing these young people to live meaningful and productive lives as they move out into the world.

The first program Diane discussed is the *Iowa Youth Dream Team* initiative, under the auspices of the Cedar Valley's Promise organization. This is a new program that brings together supportive adults and the foster children in a structured setting that enables the young people to develop individual goals and objectives for their lives as well as an action plan for accomplishing them. Diane is working to establish 60 teams in this program.

Diane's second program is Elevate, which is under the auspices of the Children & Families organization. Diane facilitates a couple of meetings each month for these young people to develop supportive relationships and address their individual needs. The organization also works to call attention to the foster care system and increase awareness of the needs of the children in the system.

Diane introduced us to Tracy, one of the young men that is involved in both of these programs. He shared his story of growing up in foster care system and his goals for his life. He's had more than his share of trials and tribulations, but he's overcome all of that and is well on his way to becoming a productive member of the community. He has a dream of developing a community theatre on Waterloo's East Side. He's planning on attending Hawkeye Community next year. He'll do just fine at whatever he tries...

NEXT MEETING LOGISTICS

Program : TBA
Prayer : Craig Holdiman
Pledge : Sylvia Schultz
Menu : Tuna Salad Croissant & Fruit Cup

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Aug 10: TBA
Aug 17: TBA
Aug 24: TBA
Aug 31: TBA

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH

Aug 10: Tuna Salad Croissant with Fruit Cup
Aug 17: Small Tenderloin with Coleslaw
Aug 24: Grilled Ham and Cheese Sandwich
Aug 31: Cheeseburger with French Fries
Sep 07: TBA
Order Chef Salad one week in advance

BIRTHDAYS

Aug 03: Mark Miller
Aug 05: Monica Haag
Aug 06: Jeff Danielson
Aug 07: Larry Prohaska

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"It is better to be thought a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt."
Mark Twain

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Family Picnic—Larry Prohaska reported things are still on track for the Family Picnic on August 12th. See page 3 for details. Dave Sash is managing the bingo operation again this year. Bingo will start around 7:00 or so. Dave cautioned us that “this isn’t your mother’s bingo.” He hastened to clarify that he was referring to prizes... Lots of prizes—everybody wins. To that end, Dave asks for member’s to help by donating prizes. Bring them to the picnic. Contact Dave or Larry Prohaska for more details.

Exchange Cruise Vacation—Pat Cole reminds us that she needs to get the arrangements finalized for the cruise this January. Details on page 4. Highly recommended.

Guests—Galen Howsare invited his son Mark to join us for lunch. Mark is joining the faculty at Wartburg College.

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Waterloo Exchange Club Annual Family Picnic

Please join us for an evening of fellowship with Exchange members and their families.

When: August 12th - 5 pm social, 6 pm meal

Where: Exchange Park, Waterloo

Food: Meat and Beverage Provided. Bring your own table setting and a side dish (Optional)

Contact: Larry Prohaska (319)290-3910



Waterloo Exchange Club Cruise 2010
Royal Caribbean-Freedom of the Seas
Sailing date- January 17, 2010-January 24, 2010
Departure Date- January 16, 2010

January 16 -Hyatt Regency Port Canaveral
January 17-Ship departs 4:30pm
January 18-Coco Cay, Bahamas
January 19-Cruising
January 20-Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas
January 21-Philipsburg, St. Maarten
January 22-Cruising
January 23-Cruising
January 24- Port Canaveral, Florida

Veranda Stateroom cat D2 \$1183.69
Inside Stateroom Cat L \$936.69

Taxes and fees are included.

Hotel for Saturday night is not included.

Air is not included. Insurance is recommended.

Best Airfare will be searched at time of booking.

Royal Caribbean Contributes \$50 per stateroom for our fundraiser

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