



Rotary Messenger

Rotary Club of Eau Claire

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Visiting Rotarian:

- Pat Braudt – LaCrosse Club

Guests

- Phillip Bachman – 2010-11 Outbound Exchange Student to Japan
- Chris Yocca – Mother of Phillip Bachman
- Kristina Skornikova – Rotary Exchange Student from Slovakia

Make-up

- Marje Bunce – New Richmond (3/22/2010)

Leaves of Absence

- John DeRosa (10/25/2009 – 3/31/2010)
- Jeanne Chilson (1/25/2010 – 3/31/2010)
- Kris Becker (10/13/2009 – 4/13/2010)
- Glenn Horejsi (1/13/2010 – 4/30/2010)
- Ron Dulitz (11/22/2009 – 5/10/2010)
- Peter Scobie (2/17/2010 – 5/11/2010)
- Dennis Vanden Bloomen (1/1/2010 – 5/31/2010)
- Dina St. Louis (1/1/2010 – 6/30/2010)
- Julie Pangallo (3/22/2010 – 6/30/2010)

New Member Inductions and Classification Talks



Darin McFadden (left) and **Steve Driever** displaying their Rotary Club of Eau Claire "Certificates of Membership"

Congratulations to **Darin McFadden** and **Steve Driever**, who were officially inducted and welcomed into our Rotary Club. Darin and Steve also presented their "Classification Talks", where they had an opportunity to introduce themselves to the Club.

Darin McFadden

Darin was born in Madison, moved to Eau Claire in 1983 to attend UW-Eau Claire and never left. He graduated in 1988 majoring in finance, and later earned his MBA.

Darin is married to an Eau Claire native, Angie. They have three children, two girls and a boy ages 14, 11 and 6.

Darin has served on many committees and boards of directors over the years, including the Chamber of Commerce, United Way and Junior Achievement.

Darin had worked in banking for over 20 years, most recently at US Bank.

Darin quipped that there just wasn't enough regulation and oversight in banking, so he decided to move over to the health care industry.

Less than a year ago, Darin joined Group Health Cooperative where he is their Chief Operating Officer. In spite of the bashing that his industry has been taking during the past several months, he feels proud to be working at Group Health serving its more than 95,000 members.

Steve Driever

It has been around 4 years since Steve heard his last classification talk and more than 20 years since our Club's old-timers would have heard his. That's because Steve had been a member from 1990 to 2006 before a job change temporarily took him away from Rotary. Steve's recently joined Wells Fargo as a Financial Representative.

Steve is married to Janet, and they have three biological children. Then about 15 years ago, the family gravitated toward the idea of adopting a child from a foreign country. After much paperwork, expense and a failed attempt at adopting a Chinese child, it was on to Siberia to adopt Peter at age 14 months... he is now 14 years old and a freshman at Memorial High.

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The 4-Way Test

Of the things, we think,
say or do:

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?

Our Calendar

- March 29 – to be announced
- April 5 – Judge Lisa Stark
- April 12 – to be announced
- April 14 – Board Meeting at Bank Mutual
- April 19 – Beaver Creek Reserve Update by Director Rick Koziel
- April 26 – to be announced
- May 3 – Group Study Exchange Team from Japan

Officers/Board of Directors for the 2009-10 Rotary Year

President – Jacqe Lahn

President-Elect – Jon Niebergall

Vice President – Sara Antonson

Secretary – Mary Knight

Exec Sec / Treas – Jerry Reinecke

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Steve talked about Peter having Asperger syndrome, which is an autism spectrum disorder. This has brought the Driever family many joys and many challenges, but on balance, Peter is able to perform and function in normal social settings quite well.

Steve grew up on a farm in the southwest corner of Iowa near Hamburg, Iowa. He was the first in his family to attend college... Northwest Missouri State University. Since teachers were his heroes, he majored in education and taught school for a couple of years, before eventually finding his way to Eau Claire.

Rotary Supports Junior League's Kids in the Kitchen Program

Our Rotary Club is pleased to continue our support of the Junior League of Eau Claire's Kids in the Kitchen program. Accepting our \$500 donation was Chairwoman and fellow Rotarian **Robin Shih**.

This program helps address childhood obesity. With the support of parents and other caregivers, Kids in the Kitchen encourages children in our community to adopt healthy eating and lifestyle habits.

The monies will be used to purchase fresh ingredients for food preparation, an apron for each child participant and an industrial juicer for the Boys and Girls Club kitchen. The programs are being held each Friday throughout March at the Boys and Girls Club.



Robin Shih (right), Chairwoman of the Junior League of Eau Claire's Kids in the Kitchen program, accepts a \$500 donation from Rotary Club president **Jacqe Lahn**

For more information on Kids in the Kitchen, go to www.juniorleague-ec.org/kidsinthekitchen.htm