



Dickinson, North Dakota Rotary Club

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Today!! Your Greeters Are:

Kathleen Chesnut & Jason Dahl
Next Week: Dan Dasovick & Muriel Dassinger

Birthdays Today

Gaylon Baker (4/27)
Brian Rummel (4/28)
David Anderson (5/3)



Give Thanks Today: Glenice Hansen Next Week: Jason Hanson

God, we are making choices daily which could change our lives and the lives of the people around us. Grant us the wisdom and understanding of the choices we make. Amen.
invocation prepared by Dennis Cannon

Welcome New Member!

Steve Glasser received his membership pin from his sponsor, **Jon Brudvig**, as **President Glenice Hansen** looks on.



Historic Moments: Paul Harris' Birthday

Rotary Founder Paul Harris was born April 19, 1868 in Racine, WI. In 1896, he settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. He founded the Rotary Club of Chicago in 1905 and was elected its president in 1907.

Club membership grew rapidly. Many members were originally from small towns and found an opportunity for fellowship in the Chicago club. Harris was convinced that the club could be expanded into a service movement and strove to extend Rotary to other communities.

In 1910, the National Association of Rotary Clubs was formed, and Harris was elected its first president. He held the office for two years and afterward became president emeritus, serving as the public face of the organization and promoting membership extension and service around the world.

He wrote several books about Rotary and his life and travels, including *The Founder of Rotary* and *This Rotarian Age*.

Harris died Jan. 26, 1947, leaving a rich legacy of fellowship, professionalism, service, and friendship. His passing also sparked an outpouring of donations to The Rotary Foundation from all over the world, allowing the Foundation to greatly expand its programs and services.

Program Chair: Mike Kiedrowski

Next Month: Todd Otto

Your Program Today:

ND Stimulus Funds, Clare Carlson
ND Stimulus Package Coordinator/
ND WSI Deputy Director

Coming Up

May 6
Brent Seaks
Badlands Ministries Bible Camp Update

May 13: Armed Forces Day

May 20
Becky Byzewski, SW Coalition
of Safe Communities

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Campfire Memories

Announcements:

- ✦ **Triple Crown fundraiser: Chip Poland** has the sign up sheet and an additional day has been added! There are activities April 29-May 3. This is one of our big fundraisers and there's only a few spots left to volunteer!
- ✦ **President Glenice Hansen** announced that the club's March attendance was 58%, very close to the goal of 60%.
- ✦ Thanks to **Ken Nelson** for improving the Rotary badge pin boxes!

Brag & Fines:

- ✦ **Irene Schafer** fined herself \$5 to brag that the Home Show attendance was up and was another success.

Last week's guests:



Visiting Rotarian and former Dickinson Club member **Greg Sund** reported that he misses singing with our club, as his new club in Spearfish, S.D. doesn't sing.

Greg Sund posed with Merry Johnston.

Ken Kussy's guest was Mitch Meier, who is interning with the City.



Jim Ozburn's guest was former Rotarian Mike Lefor.

Last Week's Speaker:

Lylie Weeks, Dickinson Recycling Project



Recycling is "Collecting, Processing, and Re-using."

Recycling began in pre-industrial times when metals were melted down and reused. The shortages of WWII caused a resurgence of recycling and the 1977 *Clean Water Act* created a renewed awareness.

In 2001 the Best Friends Mentoring Program (BF) started recycling cans as a means of raising dollars. What started then with one recycling bin in Dickinson has grown to four bins. The recyclables has also grown from aluminum cans to iPods, PDA's, laptops, digital cameras, and ink cartridges.

It is estimated that 32% of the USA recycles. BF recycled 12.38 tons of aluminum cans between 2001 and 2008. It now recycles more than 350 pounds of non-aluminum per month also.

Why Recycle? Recycling saves landfill space, saves trees, reduces pollution, beautifies a community, and saves resources. Did you know it takes 25 oz of oil to make one ink jet cartridge, 1000 years for a plastic bag to decompose, and 200-500 years for aluminum cans to decompose?

The BF program currently has approximately 10 volunteers to assist with the recycling program. How can you help? You can recycle, collect and donate to BF, volunteer your time to BF, or purchase trash bags and packaging tape for BF.

~submitted by Linda Steve

Birthdays last week:



Katie Mehrer was born the same year that Walter Cronkite signed off the air.

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