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Today!! Your Greeters Are:

Rita Krank & Yvonne Kroll

Next Week: Sue Larsen & Jeanne MacDonald

Birthdays Today

*Rich Wardner (8/29)
Jon Hodnefield (8/30)*



Give Thanks Today: Rita Krank Next Week: Craig Kubas

Creator: The first step in overcoming personal pride is to get our priorities in order. If we do not seek God first, often times we do not seek Him at all. Amen.

~ invocation prepared by Dennis Cannon

Program Chair: Harvey Brock

Next month:
Frank Wald

Your Program Today:

**Sister Dorothy Zeller, Supt.
Dickinson Catholic Schools**

Coming Up

September 2
Hank Biesiot, Blue Hawk Football

September 9
Lynn Helms, ND Oil & Gas Division

September 16
Geoff Simon, MDU
Weather Patterns

September 23



Rotary Membership Grows

In a year of economic havoc that rocked global markets and shook consumer confidence, Rotary International's most important asset – its members – steadily grew.

As of June 30, the end of the 2008-09 RI year, there were 1,234,527 members in 33,790 Rotary clubs. That's an increase of 3,044 members and 520 clubs from the previous year.

"Businesses in tough economies plan how to grow, and most businesses then do grow. Rotary clubs also have to plan for their futures and take action on those plans," said Mike McGovern, chair of RI's Membership Development and Retention Committee.

More than 5,700 clubs in the 534 RI districts achieved a membership growth rate of 10 percent or better during the 2008-09 year. The 10 percent goal was set by 2008-09 RI President Dong Kurn Lee, who presided over 12 presidential membership conferences held on six continents during the year. Each conference was attended by between 300 and 1,500 Rotarians. Lee also made personal calls to each of Rotary's district governors.

Rotary clubs must continue to build membership during the 2009-10 year, said RI President John Kenny.

*By Jennifer Lee Atkin
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Campfire Memories

Last Week:

Announcements:

- ⇒ **Todd Otto** reported that Bibiana Santos, our exchange student from last year, is having fun at home; however, many local events have been cancelled due to swine flu.
- ⇒ **Mary Massad** reminded members to nominate people for awards from the Mayor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. Nominations are due Sept. 18.
- ⇒ **Clyde Frank** was recognized for international service for his work on the Nicaraguan Project.



Guests:

- ◆ **Pat Altringer's** guest was Claus Gaudian from Spencer, Iowa.
- ◆ **Lloyd Moldenhauer's** guest was his wife, Rose.



Pat Altringer, right, and his guest, Claus Gaudian.

Birthdays:

Dale Jacobsen turned a decade!

New Member

Connie Walter, the new university relations director at DSU, is proposed for membership by **Jon Brudvig**. Classification is Education-Other.



Last Week:

**Roger Ternes, Athletic Director
Dickinson State University**

Roger Ternes, Athletic Director at Dickinson State University, provided information about the athletic programs at DSU as well as an update on the progress being made at the Badlands Activity Center.

The BAC will be ready for its first use on September 5th, when the DSU football team will play Whitewater, Wisconsin. Seating will be temporary, but it is predicted that accommodations will be available for about 2000 football fans. Parking, too, will be available, although the permanent parking areas are not completed. People attending the game may find they have to walk a bit farther to the field, but AD Ternes assured the assembly that everyone who comes to the game will be accommodated.

The turf on the field is designed to withstand a rain storm that drops as much as 14 inches. It is complemented by sod, 28,000 square feet of which was laid in one day between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. by football and basketball players from the college.

The goal posts on the field are movable to accommodate high school football, the score board is working, the message board will provide instant replays, lights are in place, and the new track will be a welcome addition for the track season in 2010. It is estimated that the exterior of the building will be complete by November 15th of this year, and the interior will be finished by April 15, 2010.

Dickinson State currently has about 427 athletes participating in various sports. Thirteen sports are offered to the students. In the past year, DSU won 6 conference championships, as well as a regional championship in wrestling. The DSU teams brought home a conference 1st or 2nd in 10 of the 13 sports in which they competed. Ternes added that 7 DSU coaches were chosen for conference or regional awards, and that the Athletic Department had been endowed with the Commissioner's Cup in 4 of the past 6 years.

*~ submitted by Winnie DeLong
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