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Today!!
Your Greeters Are:
Irene Schafer & Lawrence Schilla

Next Week: Richard Schmidt & Lloyd Schnaidt

Birthdays Today

Jay Elkin (12/4)
Carmi Howe (12/4)



Give Thanks Today
Invocation by: LaVonne Bullinger
Next Week: Dennis Cannon

Father we commend to your continual care the homes in which we dwell. Put far from them every root of bitterness, and the desire of vain-glory...fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience and godliness. Amen.

~ invocation prepared by Dennis Cannon

December is Rotary Family Month

December is Family Month. It is a time to focus on our families, to involve them in our Rotary service, and to challenge ourselves to do even more for those in need.

Because there are so many families and so many children waiting for our help, we, as Rotarians, cannot look away. We cannot and will not rest until all children, everywhere, have the chance for a long and healthy life.

We will not rest until we *Make Dreams Real* for every child in every home where there is hunger, sickness, and want.

As Rotarians, we can do no less.

*~Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee President, Rotary International
Reprinted from The President's Message, December 2008 Rotarian Magazine*

Program Chair:

Mary Massad

Next Month: Bill Herauf

Your Program Today:

Exchange Student Bibiana Santos

Coming Up

December 10 (no noon meeting)

December 17

Bob Shave, ND Water Commission
Water Appropriations & Permitting

December 24

No Meeting

December 31

Michelle Klose, ND State Water Commission
Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS) Project

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Christmas Party!
December 10, 6 p.m. at the Elks
Entertainment: Keith Traquair, pianist;
Sing Along led by Merry Johnston & Keith
Traquair; Wine Auction with proceeds
to buy books for the students reading with club
members in our Literacy Project.
Family Members Welcome! Cost: \$25

Campfire Memories

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Last Week: New Members!



Bruce Howe, right, sponsored **Matt Remyse** as a new Rotarian.



Shirley Dukart sponsored **Mike Ross** as a new Rotarian.



Vicky Steiner, right, presented dictionaries to **Hope Christian Academy** third graders and teacher **Karen Landblom**. The club purchased 261 dictionaries that were distributed last week by club members to **Dickinson** third graders.

Birthdays last week:

Randy Sickler reported he was born within 2 weeks of one of last week's birthday folks.

Guests Last Week:

Jay Elkin's guest was his daughter, **Carrie**. **Bruce Howe's** guest was **Ken Pavlish**, a potential member. **Lloyd Moldenhauer's** guests were **Nancy & Stan Schultz**, his daughter & her husband, and his wife, **Rose**. **Gene Jackson's** guest was **Craig Kubas**, a potential member. **Merry Johnston's** guests were **Jeannette & Allen Berger**, parents of our Ambassadorial Scholar, **Chris Berger**.

Last Week: Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar Chris Berger

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar **Christopher Berger** spoke to the Rotarians about his experience in Spain and Europe. Berger is the son of **Jeannette** and **Allen Berger**, Dickinson, and a graduate of **Trinity High School**.



Dickinson native Chris Berger, right, had a fabulous year-long study in **Barcelona**. He and his parents, **Allen and Jeannette,** attended last week's meeting.

Berger said he enjoyed his stay in Spain and he appreciated the chance to study abroad, which came from a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Berger is pursuing a medical degree. Berger said that there are 5 languages spoken in Spain with Castilian Spanish the most common language. In Barcelona, there are 7.2 million people.

Berger was taking a Masters course in Tropical Medicine and International Health at the University of Barcelona with 36 international students. The class met from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. five days a week. Berger's thesis was "evaluating the cost effectiveness of TB screening." He attended a Rotary meeting with wealthy businessmen and he discovered it was "men only" and a three hour meal!

Berger plans to take a year off from medical school and will return to Mozambique to work in public health education at new medical clinic.

Rotary places scholars around the world to advance world peace and understanding.

~submitted by *Vicky Steiner*

New Member Proposed

Katie Mehrer, guest of **Jeanne MacDonald**, is a proposed member. Classification is education (training & development specialist). She is the coordinator of **DSU's Business Challenge**.



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