



## Waunakee Rotary Club

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Dean Dickenson, Rotary District Governor Nominee, told the Waunakee Rotary Club about the amazing work the Rotary Foundation has done around the world at the club's Sept. 27 meeting.

The Rotary Foundation began in 1917 when a club in Kansas City, Mo., found it had raised \$26.50. Its members set up a trust and a foundation to raise money to good in the world, Dean said.

Much of the reason for Rotary pride stems from the what the Rotary Foundation can do, Dean said.

One major project includes the eradication of polio, a challenge Rotary took on in 1985. At that time, 2 million people were infected with polio; today, the disease affects only 200 in four countries – India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria.

By the time polio is eradicated, Rotary will have spent \$650 million on the efforts, about \$600 per each of the million or so Rotarians worldwide.

Dean is the chair of the annual programs for Rotary International. During zone training in Davenport, Iowa, he met a Rotarian who went to Honduras and visited a pediatric ward of a hospital there. Unlike in the United States, where most pediatric patients are expected to survive, 60 percent of patients in the Honduran pediatric ward were expected to die, the Rotarian learned.

Nearly every one of the deaths could have been prevented. Clean water systems could prevent disease and more ventilation could prevent upper respiratory infections.

A Rotarian has started a water project in Haiti, and childhood mortality has decreased there. Another water purification has begun in

Rwanda, Dean said.

Dean said the mission of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to enhance understanding, goodwill and peace through the support of health and education, and the alleviation of poverty.

Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) is one way that Rotarians support the Foundation. Through this program, Rotarians give \$100 per year.

But Dean has introduced another level of giving – the Paul Harris Society whose members contribute \$1,000 per year.

Dean expects 60 people in the district will join this society and will be honored at a special event.

#### Other items:

- Phil Willems introduced his guest, Bob Ziegler, who helps create decorations for the Rotary in Lights event. Currently, Bob is working on a carousel, and volunteers were asked to gather at his house to help Friday morning.

- Phil also mentioned that volunteers were needed at Endres Manufacturing to help wash pumpkins for the Oktoberfest Oct. 6-7.

Guests: Bill Lewis, guest of John Cullen; Ray Holloway, guest of Ken Pesik; Brady Endle, guest of Ken Pesik; Bob Ziegler, guest of Phil Willems; Shelley Moffatt, guest of Tammy Reeve.

Visiting Rotarians: Ralph Montello, former District Governor.

Birthdays: None.

Anniversaries: Oct. 5, Dan and Kristin Statz; Oct. 7, Betsy Flanagan and Larry Nummerdor.

Prayers: Oct. 4, Kim Wilde; Oct.

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### Calendar of Events:

Oct. 6-7, Oktoberfest

Oct. 14, Rotary Rustic Road Rally

11, Pat Durden.

Programs: Oct. 4, Club Assembly;  
Oct. 11, Jonny Buroker.

Greeters: Oct. 4, Allan Dassow,  
Lori Derauf; Oct. 11, Art Drake, Pat Durden.

*Six guys were playing poker when O'Malley lost \$500 on a single hand. He clutched his chest and dropped dead.*

*O'Hara looked around and asked, "Now, who is going to tell the wife?" They drew straws. Casey, who is always a loser, picked the short one.*

*They told him to be discreet, be gentle, don't make a bad situation any worse than it is. "Gentlemen! Discreet? I'm the most discreet man you will ever meet. Discretion is my middle name, leave it to me," Casey said.*

*Casey walked over to the O'Malley house and knocked on the door. The wife asked what he wanted. Casey said, "Your husband just lost \$500 playing cards."*

*She hollered, "TELL HIM TO DROP DEAD!"*

*Casey said, "I'll tell him."*

## Make up meetings online

It's easy to make up a meeting on the Internet. The site is [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org). Print out the form and give it to Phil Willems, the club secretary.