



## BROWN COUNTY ROTARY NOTES MARCH – APRIL 2009

### MARGARET SEITZ NAMED STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Margaret, a Junior Class Officer, is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, a PEER Mentor- and a member of the Prom committee. Academically, she is in the top five of her class.



Despite a strenuous academic schedule she also finds time to play varsity basketball and softball.

Ted and Jo Anne Zeitz (her parents) along with Julie Miller (the teacher who recommended her) were present when Dr. Cody presented the certificate. Margaret's name will be engraved on the Rotary Student of the Month plaque at the high school.

What made her personal presentation so interesting- was that she admitted to being focused in directions other than school- until she realized that focusing on education would be the key to her success, and would pay significant dividends in the future.

### COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER PROJECT COMPLETED



Evan and Sue Ann Werling vacuumed and scrubbed the carpet at the Sycamore Valley

Senior Center, as a Rotary Good Turn. Skip Woods, the Senior Center Manager,



was full of smiles, when Evan and Sue Ann presented her with a brand new carpet sweeper, courtesy of the Rotary of Brown County.

### CAN'T YOU UNDERSTAND ENGLISH ?



Geff Thompson showed his prize, as the winner of a Rotary competition on

word recognition between British and American English. Howard Hughes was the Master of ceremonies.

Pryde Bayliss, our President, was very busy at this meeting- by being a Judge for the English contest, by displaying our new Chamber of Commerce Plaque for Rotary, and by passing around artwork from children- thanking our Rotarians for reading the I Like Me Books.

Dr. Laurie Godfrey and members of the Brown County High School Thespian Group enthusiastically received the Rotary of Brown County grant to assist them in performing at



the International Thespian Honor Society in Indianapolis. Carolyn Pitt brought this challenge to our attention, knowing that Rotary enjoys supporting our county's youth.

#### **ITEMS TO REMEMBER**

**GREETERS:** April: Marcia DeBock  
May : Sue Ann Werling

**PRAYER:** April: Yvonne Olinger  
May: Adam Young

Our Annual Awards Dinner will be held at the Salt Creek Golf Course Retreat on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

Dick Routh, our Brown County Rotary Foundation Chairman, received his 3<sup>rd</sup> Paul Harris Fellow from our club- in recognition of his outstanding and continuing promotion of Rotary Foundation projects.

Al Kosinski always has a need for volunteers for Mondays at Mothers Cupboard. In addition, any "safe" food in containers will also be helpful in stocking the Cupboard for the 120-130 meals served each day.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS PLAN CONTESTANTS RECOGNIZED**

Howard Hughes announced the Brown County High School winners of the Business Plan Contest.

Matthew Cameron won the top prize of \$150 for his plan to establish a Brown County radio station. Taylor White won 2<sup>nd</sup> place (\$100) for a plan to open a tattoo parlor, and Amber Brock won \$75 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place- with a plan to open a bowling alley.

#### **IT'S TENDERLOIN AND BOBBIE CHIP TIME!**

The Fair Fundraiser will be here Soon! This project is so important that Club and Community Avenues of Service are working together.

Al Kosinski and Sue Ann Werling are **DEPENDING ON EACH OF US** – to assure success for this very important fund raising effort!

Every Rotarian is asked to help in some way – by helping with pre/post

cleaning, manning a time slot in the booth and/or by providing equipment, supplies or storage.



Al and Sue Ann passed out sign up forms and position descriptions for each major task- to assist us when we choose our tasks and time slots.

### **OUR PROGRAMS CONTINUE TO BE TOP GRADE**

Keith Collins, from Brown County, entertained with a most unusual musical program- by playing a Queen Mary's Harp and an Irish Harp. Keith



has a Doctorate in early music from IU and teaches at the University of Texas, as an adjunct instructor. In addition, he is a free-lance performer on the bassoon and recorder- and gives private lessons on the dulcimer, harp, and the banjo.

The gold and silver strings were a most unusual feature on the Queen Mary's Harp.

Jerry Simo told us about the Leader Dog program for the blind, which is



supported by the Lions Club. The Leader Dog Program has a training facility in Michigan.

Recipients of a Leader Dog undergo intensive training with the dog before returning home. The program is entirely funded by donations- some of which is contributed by Rotary Clubs- as part of their Club Service projects.

Bill Schnackel, owner of The Whispering Pines Alpaca Facility on Timbercrest Ridge, discussed the many great features of Alpaca fiber...warmer than wool, not itchy,

resistant to odor and water, and available in 22 natural colors. Its 14 chromosomes make breeding for color an interesting phenomena.



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