



## **BROWN COUNTY ROTARY NOTES JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH**

**You will see as you read this Newsletter; Rotary of Brown County is really happening in the community.**

**MOTHERS CUPBOARD....Sue Ann Werling calls all Rotarians not already involved in Teachers Warehouse, to show up at the Cupboard at 8a.m. Saturday morning, wearing your work clothes, and perhaps bringing a pair of work gloves. Purpose is to give the facility a thorough cleaning. Plan to stay as long as you can – even to 2 p.m. if possible. Location: Just beyond the Fire Station in Bean Blossom, on the left. Extra parking across Hwy 135.**

**Rotary volunteers assist needy families at the Cupboard every Monday. Howard Hughes, announced at our last meeting that the preceding Monday's meals served was 119 !**

**TEACHERS WAREHOUSE – Yvonne will appreciate her sign-ups meeting at the Teachers Warehouse in Bloomington at 10a.m. Saturday morning. Rotarians from Brown County will join those from Bedford, who will also be completing their orientation until 1 p.m. . Location: 1365 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in Bloomington. If you get lost call: 339-7304. The donation of paper has arrived, thanks to Evan and Sue Ann Werling, and our part of the Warehouse's first year funding has been generously donated.**

**THE 23<sup>RD</sup> – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL GOOD TURN DAY...and the two projects listed above will be part of Rotary of Brown County's contribution to the World**

**Wide effort to show that ROTARY MAKES A DIFFERENCE !**

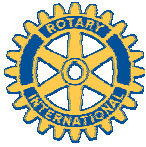
**ROTARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH...Pictured is Margaret Burke, Junior at Brown County High School along with her parents, Tim and Sarah Burke.**



**Margaret has been cited for having achieved one of the 10 highest grade point averages in the school's history, as well as her leadership in numerous school activities. Dr. Charles Cody honored Miss Burke at a ceremony during the Rotary Club meeting and her name will be given a permanent place of honor in the High School.**

**2008 ROTARY SPEECH CONTEST...Carolyn Pitt, Rotary Speech Contest Club Chair is working with Rotary club member Dr. Charles Cody , and Dr. Laurie Godfrey, Brown County High School in recruiting students to participate.**

**The Contestants will prepare a 4 to 6 minute speech on the Rotary Four-Way Test. Contestants will meet in Meeting room C at the Brown County Library on Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>.**



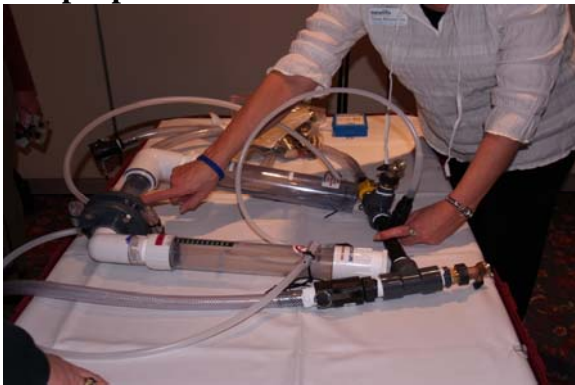
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Three judges will evaluate the speeches and the First Place winner will receive \$100, Second place - \$50, and Third Place \$25. The First Place Winner will represent Brown County Rotary at District 6580 on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**TERRY BIVENS-FRY**, New Life International, gave a presentation on Rotary International water projects. Rotary of Brown County is joining with 10 other District Rotary Clubs to provide water purification around the world.

The effort is in two parts: Providing a well for water in a countries needy neighborhood; and/or providing money for a water purification pump that can be used at almost any site that has contaminated water. Shown below is a pump of the type used for this purpose.

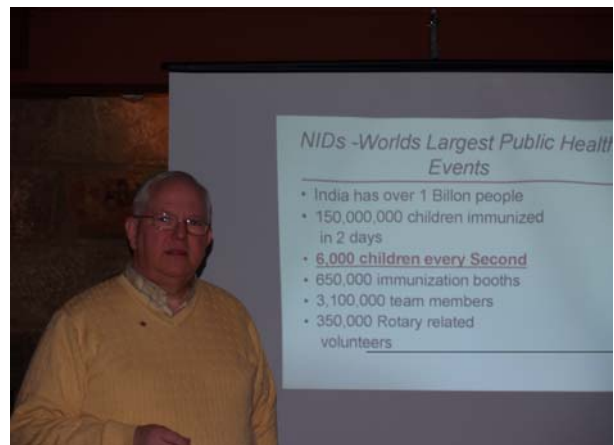


**POLIO PLUS**....has been an on-going project for Rotary International since the 80's. Purpose is to eradicate Polio world-wide.

**Carrel Moore**, our clubs International Service Director, and avid supporter of this important project is coordinating our efforts to keep our promise to the children of the world

that they may grow up in a world without polio. Thousands of Rotary volunteers from around the world assist countries in this intense effort.

There are four remaining countries in which need to complete this program. They are Nigeria, India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. In addition some new virulent sprains are being treated that threaten our efforts.

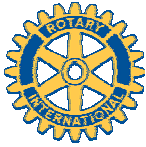


To give you an idea of the amount of effort needed to inoculate one country, which is one that needs our help, please read the stats in the photo above.

**MONTHLY PRAYER BIG THANK YOU**...is for those who have served those months since last July, and for those who are yet to offer our thanks for the bounty we enjoy.

**Dick Routh** is finishing up February, and **Rich Lawler** will offer his thanks in March

**WEB SITE PROGRESSING**...the new Rotary of Brown County Web site is progressing nicely. In concert



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with the computer class in the Brown County High School, Jaydene Laros and Teed Howard are designing and editing a new Web Site that will be all about Rotary in Brown County.

Members will be able to view and use static links to explain Rotary to friends, relatives, and others, and updated links for our Club Directory, information on club projects, and current youth leadership.

As soon as the Web site is in action, members will be notified of the Web address, and password to view the Club Directory.

**RYLA** – There were about 75 students representing District 6580 at the Bradford Woods fall RYLA conference.

Michael Chamblee coordinated our clubs efforts, and sent four Brown County High School students – Brittney Johann, Erin Clark, Alex Zellmer, and Ashton Withers, to take part in brainstorming, problem solving, dialog, leadership, and being a team member for success over a full week-end.

The students openly expressed their excitement and their insights as the conference progressed, and this was evident during their presentation to our club following their experience.

This fall we will be looking forward to increasing the knowledge base among our high school students be again offering this challenging program.

**WHAT ROTARY MEMBERS ARE DOING....**includes Bob Schloss working hard to achieve the formation of a New Song plan for a youth facility in Southern Brown County; Pryde Bayliss, being invited to submit some of her pottery to Korea; Andrea Tarnowsky hosting a special exhibit of Brown County artists at the T.C. Steele Historic Site, along with the permanent collect of T.C. Steele's art, and Carrel Moore being involved with the Habitat for Humanity spring band concert at the Brown County High School.

**PRYDE BAYLISS...** officiated at her first club meeting this past week, as President Elect. This also gave her a chance to announce that Mary Lou Nay needs speakers for the Brown County School Career and Vocational Day on March 14<sup>th</sup>.



Each Rotarian has a career designation. It's time to help others enter your chosen field.