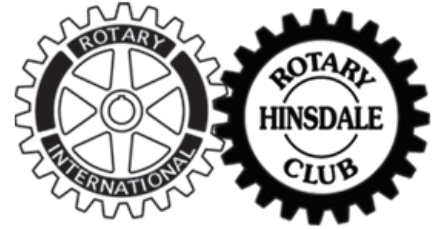


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ROTARY CLUB OF HINSDALE

Service Above Self
We Profit Most Who Serve Best



January 2, 2009

Today...

Food Pantry Day, and LINK Unlimited's, Greg Girsch. LINK Unlimited is a not-for-profit organization that provides educational services and mentoring to economically disadvantaged African American youth from the Chicago area.

Through LINK Unlimited, academically motivated youth gain an opportunity to receive a quality private school education. LINK also provides academic enrichment and college readiness programs to help ensure high school graduation and enrollment in a four-year college or university.

Next Week...

Youth Merit Awards.

Last Week...

Hinsdale Adventist Academy's Choral Group.

Upcoming Events...

Friday, Jan. 9th- Elvis Birthday Tribute Concert. 8 PM at the Paramount Theatre in Aurora. \$35 or 49/ person. Tickets on sale Nov 1. Top Elvis impersonators sing classic Elvis songs.

Calling All Gangsters!...

Program chair, **Chuck Snyder** is trying to arrange an event in February, a re-enactment of the St. Valentines Massacre. There is audience participation, and the show includes a meal. Depending on the day/time, cost of the show, including dinner is \$55 to \$62 pp. Go to tommygunsgarage.com for details. Let Chuck know if you're interested. He needs a head count.

Goodbye 2008!...Hello 2009...

What a strange year THAT was! Although we experienced many negative events in our country, and worldwide, our Rotary club can feel proud of our accomplishments. Of course, there's always room for improvement, but in the face of adversity, we managed to create a lot of positives in the world. Monies we raised from the hot dog tent to The Race, will help support those in need. We have also contributed to one of our RI President's goals to help children, through supporting The EarlyAct Club at Hinsdale Middle School, in their effort to "Feed Children Worldwide". We purchased tickets to the White Sox game which benefited The Easter Seals Autism School. We gave out scholarships to students from Hinsdale Central High School. In addition to our monthly Food Pantry donations, we delivered turkeys at Thanksgiving. We donated hats and scarves. We delivered help to The Blackfeet Indians assisting their school and hospital with neonatal equipment. The list goes on.

So let's not dwell on the negatives that affected each of us as individuals. Let's reflect on all the good we have accomplished as a group united in our efforts to provide relief to people in need.

Incoming Exchange Student...

Jaime Diaz Beltran arrives Jan. 17th at 6:30pm at O'Hare airport, for those who would like to greet him. Jaime is from Neiva, Columbia. Rotarians will be encouraged to spend some time with Jaime. Maybe invite him to dinner and a show, or invite him to

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an event sometime during the year. A sign-up sheet will be passed around.

Our Golden Anniversary Is Approaching...

In eight short months from now, on August 21, 2009, we will be celebrating 50 years as a Rotary club. As we all know, our anniversary will be commemorated by the installation of a clock in downtown Hinsdale. The clock will be surrounded by bricks which are available for sale, and will help support the cost of the clock. We are half way to our goal of selling 100 bricks at a price of \$250 each. Each brick allows 3 lines of text with approximately 15 characters per line.

There has been talk in the board room of coming up with some type of event to coincide with the clock. The clock committee will be discussing our options at future meetings. Please join the committee should you have any ideas.

Greeters...

Today; Gary Peart & Kevin Pobst.
Jan. 9th; Manfred Raiser & Dick Roudebush
Jan. 16th; Bill Schafer & Mike Sedlak.

The Rotary Club Of Hinsdale
Founded August 21, 1959

