



**Waunakee  
Rotary  
Club**

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The Waunakee Rotary Club Board of Directors has created a new policy aimed at member recruitment.

In an effort to encourage Rotarians to invite prospective members, the board has agreed to cover the cost of two lunches for proposed members, Club President Dan Statz told the club at its Jan. 8 meeting.

In the past, Rotarians invited prospective members, and after the guest had attended three meetings, the board could act on accepting the new member. The Rotarians paid for the guests' three lunches. Now Rotarians will pay for only one of the lunches.

Dan said the club lost about five members in a month recently. However, two new members are about to be inducted.

Jan. 8 was also club assembly, and the various committees reported on their projects.

Pat Durden of the membership committee said e-mails are being sent to community members referred from the Waunakee-Westport Chamber of Commerce in an effort to recruit. Dan said the goal is to induct 10 new members over the next three months.

Phil Willems said the club's fund-raising efforts are in good shape. The club has dropped its Super Bowl Sunday event. The Waunakee Neighborhood Connection has taken that over, but Rotarians are invited to help out if they wish. The Super Raffle is also coming up, and unlike the Rotary In Lights event, both are indoors and warm for volunteers.

That committee is also considering increasing the menu for Waunafest to offer pretzels and churros – Mexican cookies – as well.

Jim Tubbs said several interesting programs are scheduled in the next few months. School district administrator Randy Guttenberg will speak

on Jan. 29. Other interesting programs on the Waunakee Fire Department and Police Department K-9 Unit are coming up in February. The club has received excellent publicity with Rotary In Lights, Jim said.

Tom Reis thanked the club for all the help with Rotary In Lights. They will be taken down on Saturday at 8 a.m., and help is needed. Be sure to bring a shovel and boots with traction, along with some sort of clipping tool. You might want ask Tom about that tool.

Harriet Statz of the Youth Exchange Program committee said another member is needed to step up to be the exchange counselor. It is a commitment, but a rewarding one, she said. Also, all of the Dane County exchange students will come to Waunakee for the Winter Weekend Jan. 31-Feb. 1. On the evening of Jan. 31, there will be a potluck at the Village Center, and club members are urged to attend. Lori Derauf told the club that the former exchange student, Raissa, has graduated from high school in Brazil and was accepted to law school. Greg Garton said he is working on the RYLA program which is open to sophomores.

Bill Erickson said the Guatamala water project is moving slowly. The international committee is preparing a document with guidelines for projects the club may consider.

**Other items:**

•Dan Statz said the board of directors approved donations of \$250 toward Relay for Life and \$500 toward the Lake Melvin Yacht Club.

•Greg Garton said the club should be proud of the Rotary In Lights event. He heard many compliments all night long when he volunteered. Ray Statz added that one woman he talked to took her mentally disabled grandchild through the display every

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**Calendar of Events:**

- Jan. 31-Feb. 1, Winter Weekend for Youth Exchange
- Feb. 1, Waunakee Neighborhood Connection Super Bowl Sunday

night.

Guests: Tom Mitchell, guest of Jonathan Jordan; Brian Raemisch, guest of Connie Blau.

Birthdays: Jan. 18, Rich Harris; Jan. 19, Gene Smith.

Anniversaries: None.

Prayers: Jan. 15, Susan Vergeront; Jan. 22, Leonard Allen; Jan. 29, Pat Durden.

Programs: Jan. 15, Paul Gilbertson, With Wings and a Halo; Jan. 22, Joy McMerty and Bill Tygum, classification talks; Jan. 29, Randy Guttenberg, Waunakee School District Administrator; Feb. 5, Club Assembly.

Greeters: Jan. 15, Jim Starling and Harriet Statz; Jan. 22, Ray Statz and Sandy Taylor; Jan. 29, Don Tierney, Luke Tierney; Jan. 5, Jon Townley, Bob Tucker.

**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.