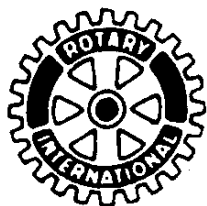


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## Waunakee Rotary Club

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Two representatives from Wrestling the World appeared at the Dec. 14 Waunakee Rotary Club meeting to update the members on a project at the Hopewell School in Nakuru, Kenya.

Town of Springfield resident Don Hoffman visited Nakuru and the school over the summer to help with a project organized by Wrestling the World. That group was started by Steve Werner's son, who also appeared at the Rotary meeting.

Wrestling the World was begun by a group of students at UW-Whitewater, several of whom were wrestlers, to raise money for the tsunami victims in Sri Lanka and the Katrina flood victims in the Southern United States.

Steve's son, who is adopted, got involved in the Hopewell School project in part because his biological father is from Kenya.

Don was intrigued because he had served in Kenya 35 years prior when he was in the Peace Corps.

In Kenya, few families have enough money to send their children to secondary school, or high school. The Hopewell School offers that education for impoverished students.

The group has seven goals:

- to provide three more classrooms and a library.
- to donate school supplies.
- to provide a water treatment plant for the well water there, which has unsafe levels of fluoride.
- to establish intensive agriculture production to feed the students, provide agricultural training and allow the school to earn an income.

- to provide sanitary napkins for

girls, who usually miss school during menstruation.

- to provide computers.
- to sponsor teachers and supplement their salaries, which are lower than the standard minimum wage in Nakuru.

Don said the beauty of the project is that every dollar is accounted for and it will be self-sustaining. He plans to go back next year, he said.

Steve said the Waunakee Rotary Club is more active internationally than most clubs. He noted that retired Kenyans take on charity as a second career.

The Waunakee Rotary Club donated \$500 for the project, said Club President Drew Lawrence.

That funded half of the galvanized steel roof for the school building, Don reported.

More information about Wrestling the World and the Hopewell School project can be found at [www.wrestlingtheworld.org](http://www.wrestlingtheworld.org).

Other items:

- Bill Skalitzky of Skalitzky Jewelers announced that he and his wife, Jane, plan to sponsor the Five Golden Rings for the Christmas display next year.

- Phil Willems reported that the club has more salmon planks to sell. They make a nice gift, he said.

- Tom Reis reported that the Rotary in Lights is going well. On Dec. 9, 216 vehicles passed through.

- host families are still needed for the Russian visitors. Although the visit does not take place until the spring, the club would like a list of potential hosts.

Guests: Bill Skalitzky, guest of

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### Calendar of Events:

Jan. 26, Christmas party  
April 12-29, Russian visitors  
May 4-6, District Conference

Danny Paul.

Visiting Rotarians: Steve Werner, Walworth.

Birthdays: None.

Anniversaries: Dec. 26, Bob and Mary Jane Nicholson; Dec. 27, Rich and Sue Wipperfurth.

Prayers: Dec. 14, Susan Vergeront; Dec. 21, Leonard Allen; Dec. 28, Kim Wilde.

Programs: Dec. 21, Christmas caroling at the Manor.

Greeters: Dec. 21, Pat Durden, Fritz Durst; Dec. 28, Ed Endres, Rex Endres; Jan. 4, Gary Epping, Bill Erickson; Jan. 11, Mike Fehrenbach, Betsy Flanagan

## Make up meetings online

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