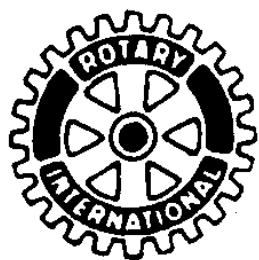


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Waunakee Rotary Club

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Sue Udell of the Madison Area Concert Handbells was the speaker at the March 16 meeting of the Waunakee Rotary Club.

People have been making music with handbells since primitive times, but it has become an art in the past half century or so.

There's more to it than simply banging on bells. Sue introduced Rotarians to the names of a variety of techniques: the shake, the pluck, the thumb damp, the tower swing and others.

There are about 10,000 handbell choirs in the U.S. – about 100 of them community choirs.

The Madison Area Concert Handbells is the only six-octave community handbell choir in Wisconsin.

Members of the handbell choir are a devoted lot, with weekly two-hour rehearsals and some six-hour rehearsals on Saturdays. They're focused folks as well. They have to be because if the player misses a note, there is no one backing them up.

The choir has two series of concerts every year. They make appearances at nursing homes and in the UW children's hospital.

Choir members also have taken hand chimes to schools and taught hundreds of Madison students to play them.

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The kids enjoy them. The chimes are mellow to the ear, and it's easy for the kids to succeed with them. And the lessons teach rhythm, harmony, cooperation and teamwork.

Other items:

- The club inducted a new member, Robert Tucker. He lives in Waunakee. His business is Advanced Graphic Technologies.
- Super Raffle went smoothly. Thanks to everyone who helped out.
- Don Tierney will receive a Paul Harris Fellow award April 6.
- Kevin Fischer has resigned.

Guests: Ellen Schaaf, guest of Lisa Pertzborn-Whiting; Harriet Statz, guest of Ray Statz; Robert Tucker, guest of Ray Statz.

Visiting Rotarians: None.

Birthdays: March 26, Ken Ballweg; March 27, Don Tierney.

Anniversaries: March 26, Jeff and Joan Bernstein.

Prayers: March 23, Bruce Engebretson, March 30, Kim Wilde; April 6, Pat Durden.

Programs: March 23, Safe Harbor Arise, Lou King; March 30, Dr. Phil from Genetic

Calendar of Events:

May 19-21, District Celebration
June, golf outing
Sept. 30-Oct. 1, Oktoberfest

Savings and Clone; April 6, Club Assembly; April 13, Mark Green, candidate for governor; April 20, International Crane Foundation; April 27, Wisconsin Sports Development Corp, Ron Vincent; May 4, Club Assembly; May 11, International committee; May 18, Collector's Choice, John Kreuger.

Greeters: March 23, Amy Gile-Engel and Jeremiah Gollon; March 30, Wendy Grunewald-Fahlgren and Rich Harris; April 6, Paul Hermanson and Bob Hoskins.

Nobody can be charming all the time. Even Cary Grant is on record as saying he wished he could be Cary Grant.

Make up meetings online

It's easy to make up a meeting on the Internet. The site is www.rotaryclubone.org. Print out the form and give it to Sarah DeKraay, club secretary.