

February 4, 2010

THIS WEEK'S MEETING

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BUSINESS MEETING

Lunch: Tamale Pie
Greeter: Glen Thurow
Thought of the Day: Michelle Breuer

January 28th Meeting

MEMBERSHIP – KEY TO THE FUTURE



Emily Francona, the Assistant District Governor and Membership Chair for PORC, presented a program stressing the importance of new members for the future of Rotary. She challenged the membership to reflect on what they had done to bring in new members and showed an outstanding DVD featuring former Rotary International President Clifford Dochterman.

Dochterman began by saying that the future of Rotary depended on the continual recruitment of

new members. He discussed three ways membership could be strengthened and increased – by seeking new members, by retaining current members, and by starting new clubs. He stressed that there were a variety of ways clubs could go about these tasks and had a wealth of suggestions for each of these categories. Above all he emphasized that clubs should not simply be mired in old ways of doing things, but should think of new ways of running meetings or doing projects that might be attractive to more people, especially to busy young professionals. For example, he noted that attempts to get 100% attendance sometimes stand in the way of recruiting an active, energetic member who cannot make all the meetings. (The Port Orford club was a bit amused when he suggested that the argument that a town is too small for a second club is just an excuse for inaction.)

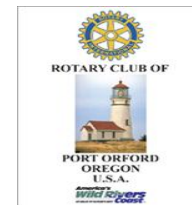
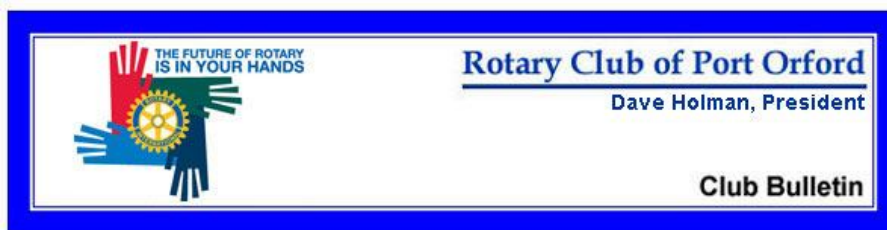
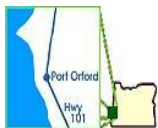
Dochterman's energetic presentation brought home afresh the need for recruitment of members, and certainly suggested a variety of interesting ways the Port Orford club might go about the task.

REMINDER FROM EMILY:

Please turn in your completed copy of the handout from last week's program "Membership is every Rotarian's business" at this Thursday's meeting.

FEBRUARY – WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

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GET YOUR TICKETS FOR THE CRAB FEED

The annual Rotary Crab Feed will be February 20, 6-11 p.m. in the Community Building. The all-you-can-eat feed will also feature karaoke with Diamond Jim. Tickets are now available at \$25 each.



Norman Displaying the Crab Feed Poster

KNOW YOUR ROTARY – ROTARY RULES ABOUT POLITICAL ISSUES

The merits of any public question involving the general welfare of the community, the nation, and the world are of concern to club members and are proper subjects of fair and informed study and discussion at a club meeting for the enlightenment of members in forming individual opinions. However, clubs shall not express an opinion on any pending controversial public measure. Clubs shall not endorse or recommend any candidate for public office and shall not discuss at any club meeting the

merits or demerits of any such candidate. Clubs shall not adopt or circulate resolutions or opinions, and shall not take action dealing with world affairs or international policies of a political nature. Clubs shall not appeal to other clubs, peoples, or governments, or circulate letters, speeches, or proposed plans for the solution of specific political problems.

THIS WEEK IN PORT ORFORD ROTARY:

February 3 – 8 am, ALH, Board Meeting
February 4 – Noon Meeting, ALH – Business Session
February 11 Noon Meeting, ALH – Glen Thurow

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

February 20 – Annual Crab Feed
February 23 – 105th Anniversary of Rotary
February 27 – Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament
April 10 – Scholarship Dinner Dance

**NEXT WEEK'S MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 2010**

GLEN THUROW

**CLASSIFICATION TALK
"WHAT DOES A PROFESSOR
PROFESS?"**



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