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Last Week: Dickinson Public Safety Center



Fire Chief Bob Sivak gave a great presentation on the new Public Safety Center being built in northwest Dickinson. With the city's growth, the need for an additional fire station became evident several years ago. Originally, a new substation was proposed for the north end of the city. However, the population expansion since 2008 led city officials to expand the

plans for the facility. It will now house both the police and fire departments. The former downtown fire station will be retained as a substation.

The new Public Safety Center will provide Dickinson with the needed assistance and response during times of emergency. The new site was strategically chosen to afford faster access to the new hospital, clinics, and school, as well as the many residential developments that are going up in the area.

Today's Greeters Are:

Paul Steffes & Vicky Steiner

Next Meeting:

Linda Steve & Jon Stevenson

Give Thanks Today: Stan Koppinger

Next Week: Amy Kreidt

Lord, help us to accept the misfortunes of this day with the heartfelt knowledge that good, eventually, will come from them. May we trust always in your providence. Amen.

Your Program Today:

Fred Fridley, Sanford Clinic

Coming Up:

December 10—TBD

December 17—Rotary Christmas Party, 5:30 p.m. (no noon meeting)

December 24—TBD

Birthdays

Don Bares 12/3

Jay Elkin 12/4

Shirley Dukart 12/6

Shirley Meyer 12/9

Program Chair: Shirley Dukart

Next Month: Joe Rothschiller

Announcements:

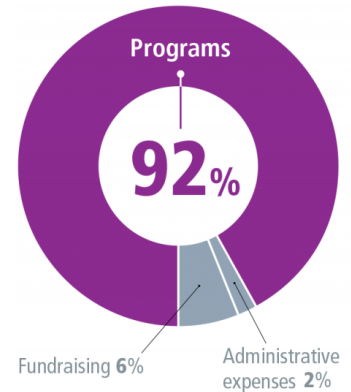
- Clyde Frank was honored for earning his **Paul Harris** (+3) award. Congratulations, Clyde!
- The International Projects Committee is seeking individuals who may be interested in traveling internationally to help with projects. See Clyde Frank, committee chair, if you are interested.
- For the **Rotary Christmas Party** on December 17 at the Elks, members are asked to bring a bottle of wine for a blind wine tasting. The member who brings the wine that gets the most "favorite" votes will win a GRAND prize. A second bottle of wine or a Christmas decoration can be donated for the live auction.

Rotary Foundation rises on expert list of top nonprofits

The Rotary Foundation has moved up 35 spots to 85th in *The Chronicle of Philanthropy's* annual ranking of the top 400 nonprofit organizations in the United States. The ranking is based on monetary contributions from private sources and reflects the increasing generosity of those who support Rotary's mission.

According to *The Chronicle of Philanthropy*, the Rotary Foundation received \$239,576,000 in 2013, a 32.4 percent increase from the previous year.

The Foundation also recently earned a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, the largest and most prestigious independent evaluator of nonprofits in the United States. In the 2013-14 Rotary year,



from Charity Navigator

92 percent of the Foundation's expenditures were applied to programs, with only 6 percent spent on fundraising and 2 percent on administrative expenses. The Foundation funded \$23.5 million in district grants and \$47.3 million in global grants. These grants support local and international humanitarian projects as well as scholarships.

[Give now to support The Rotary Foundation.](#) All gifts earn points towards Paul Harris designation (\$1,000 given or 1,000 points earned). Until February 2015, gifts by members of Dickinson Rotary will also be matched with 2 points for every dollar given.



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Last Meeting Visitors

- Tom Pederick, guest of Brad Fong
- Bob Larson, guest of Guy Moos
- Brady Boese, guest of Rob Eilts