



This Week—Oct. 28, 2009

Tour of Red Cedar Center for
Prevention & Physical
Rehabilitation 11:40-1:00

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Next Week—Nov. 4, 2009

Youth Service Awards and
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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

OCTOBER IS "VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH"

In recognition of this month's theme and in keeping with our club's tradition of touring a local business we will be visiting the Red Cedar Center for Prevention & Physical Rehabilitation this week. We will begin with a lunch at **11:40 am**, served in the Education Center, followed by a tour of the facility.

"Catching On"

Rotary's anthem of 'Service Above Self' seems to be contagious. Maybe I'm just sensitive to it, but articles in the weekend paper of a few weeks ago seem to resound with the message.

The 'News Roundup' section of the paper had a release from College Station, Texas regarding the meeting of President Obama and Past President George H. Bush. President Obama praised former President Bush with "inspiring legions of Americans to improve their communities". Former President Bush's 'thousand points of light' initiative was the cause for the celebration. President Obama in referring to past President Bush states "He called for a vast galaxy of people and institutions working together to solve problems in their own back yards. Twenty years later, think for a minute about the impact that he's had".

Saturday, October 24, is "Make a Difference Day". Examples of projects planned across the nation are:

Boca Raton, Fla. - a 17 year old began catching fish for a food pantry two years ago; now he teaches disadvantaged children how to fish. He and 15 other volunteers will be taking 25 children on their first charter fishing trip.

Columbus, Ohio - a real estate investment firm runs the Community Ownership Program which aims to help renters become homeowners will be giving a couple, keys to their own home.

Memphis, TN - a children's book author hopes to rally 10,000 kids nationwide to help others. He'll be reading from his book series at St. Jude's Research Hospital and has organized other reading activities at schools and bookstores so the kids can plan to do a good deed.

New York - a support network for chronically ill children has coordinated more than 100 volunteers at 100 locations to decorate pillows and quilts with inspirational messages for chronically ill children.

The examples cited above are diverse but the theme is central. Folks are using their strengths and passions to improve the lives of others. It seems that Rotary's call of many years ago is still being heard, and we, as Rotarians, can lead the way.

Article provided by Editor, Jane Roberts

MAKING A DIFFERENCE.....

Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls Organizes Trip to Bolivia

The Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls has been involved in international humanitarian projects in Latin America for over 21 years. Our primary focus has been in Nicaragua and Bolivia as these are the poorest countries in Central and South America respectively.

We are now working with the Rotary Club Tunari of Cochabamba Bolivia on clean water projects in Bolivia. One project has been completed and another is in progress. The Eau Claire Noon Club and the **Menomnie Noon Club** are working with us to support the current water project in the village of Sivingani. We welcome additional partners on our current and future water projects as well.

The Tunari club has a great record of working with foreign clubs on humanitarian projects. They are honest, many speak English, know the RI process of grant applications, have a great need, and follow through to get the projects finished properly and within budget.

We are inviting Rotarians to join us March 23-April 1, 2010 for "A project preview and cultural expedition to Bolivia". This will be a unique opportunity to see current projects and plan future programs for your club. Complete information can be found on our web site at www.chippewafallsrotary.org.

WHAT'S COMING UP.....

November 4th—Final Collection of Rose Money

November 18th—Piggy Bank Coin Count

November 26th—Community Thanksgiving Dinner at Olde Towne
Family Holiday Project

INBOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT, "Alfonso Salesa"



Alfonso, also known as, *FONSI*, arrived in Menomnie on Aug. 20, 2009.

Fonsi's home is in Zaragoza, Spain. His current US home is here in Menomnie with his host family the Morins'. Robyn's daughter, Katie, who has also been a frequent visitor of our club, is a past outbound exchange student sponsored by our club.

Fonsi is great at playing the game of soccer. Watch for a future article taken from the Dunn County News that talks about Fonsi being a goalie for the Menomnie Indians. Robyn said this is a fantastic article which reflects a lot of Fonsi's personality.

