

EXCHANGE CLUB OF ROCKVILLE NEWSLETTER

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The Wednesday, May 20, 2009, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Charlie Sandberg. Thirty one members were in attendance and one guests (Paula Plante). The invocation was delivered by John Luginbuhl. Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

SICK CALL: no sick call was given.

KIDSAFE WISH LIST:

Sleeping Bags, Child Safety Gates, Gameboy and games, Dresser, Bookcases, Plastic Storage Containers, Gift Cards (bowling, miniature golf, game room)

KIDSAFE PROGRAMS:

Parent-Aide Program: Currently working with 24 families, a total of 41 children.

Temporary Care Program: Children who are in transition between foster placements or have been suddenly removed from their homes by DCF and are awaiting available foster home are cared for during the day at Kidsafe House instead of sitting at DCF office.

Mentoring Program: Looking for volunteers to work with the Mentoring Program, if you have a couple hours a week to volunteer, please contact Jerry Bundy or Kidsafe.

Cornerstone Community Center: Currently working with 100+ children who visit the Teen Drop-In Center on a weekly basis.

Piece by Piece Group: 8 week parent education program.

Cooperative Parenting & Divorce Program: Teaches parents how to give their children the gift of a strong co-parent relationship even when the parents are not living in the same home.

The Rockville Rotary Golf Tournament to benefit Kidsafe will be held on June 29, 2009 at Elmcrest County Club. Contact Paul Sheridan at 731-5500x170 or Jim Paganetti at 871-3331 for details.

CARNIVAL: The carnival will be held on August 13th, 14th & 15 at Golfland in Vernon. Please speak to either Art Aube or Mort Schlehofer to volunteer your time, we need members to participate in selling tickets at the ticket booth and our dough wagon.

GUEST SPEAKER: Paula Plante Youth Program Cordinator for Kidsafe was our guest speaker. Paula spoke about how the programs with the youth helps to teach them basic skills. They teach them things such as manors, job skills, filling out job applications, college applications. They also work with the youth to teach them how to dress appropriate for job interview and how to learn to trust people. She also talked about taking some of the kids on camping trips and how much they truly enjoy doing that.

CAN DRIVE: We will be collecting non-perishable foods at the first meeting of each month, which will go to Kidsafe.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 3, 2009, at Theo's. Cocktail hour at 6:00 p.m. and meeting at 7:00 p.m. Bring a friend.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 17, 2009 – Meeting (Last meeting of the year)
June 20, 2009 – Senior Picnic
July 12, 2009 – Jesus Fest – Dough Wagon
Dough Wagon – more dates to follow
July 31, 2009 – Member's Picnic
August 13, 14 & 15th – Carnival

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"The time to make friends is before you need them" (unkknown)