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Today's Program

Economic growth in Stark County, Ryan Jilek, executive vice president, Stark Development

This week's program:

Business growth in Stark County

Keeping with the theme of Rotary's Economic & Community Development month, our program this week will focus on Stark Development Corporation's efforts to bring, retain, support and expand business in Stark County. Our speaker will be Ryan Jilek, executive vice president.



Rotarians Chip Poland and Deb Barros mixed pancake batter at last year's Pancake Carnival.

Last week's meeting

Dickinson Parks & Rec add to quality of life

Hannah Pepich, program supervisor, and Benjamin Rae, executive director, spoke last week about Dickinson's award-winning parks and recreation programs. The Park District recently received four awards from ND Recreation & Parks Association: Young Professional Award to Caleb Burgard, Golden Eagle Award for Friendship Park, Partner Award for the Sanford Sports Complex and Innovative Program award for the Strong Kids program with Best Friends Mentoring Program. They added 27 new programs last year for kids through senior adults. In the spring Crooked Crane Trail will be expanded, hockey is getting its first new Zamboni and 100 new trees will be planted. The golf course is projected to finish this season with the most rounds ever. The West River Community Center is 20 years old and will be seeing upgrades and renovation. Dickinson Rotary has provided benches for Friendship Park, Sanford Sports Complex and the Crooked Crane Trail.



Our World Series fundraising boards will be available at this week's meeting. Cost is \$10/square. We will sell one board of 100 squares within the club and two others will be sold in the community.

Today's Meeting:

Greeters: Paige Hibl and Paul Steffes

Next Week: Isaac Egli and Vicky Steiner

Community Kindness: Once again Rotary will be participating in Trick or Trunk on October 31! Please donate bags of wrapped candy and contact Rotarian Dawn Pruit to volunteer.

Invocation: Strengthen those who serve in the recent wildfires and floods; buoy their spirits as they encounter despair; strengthen them as they comfort the displaced; and guide them as they guide others to safety and security. **AMEN**

Coming up:

This Week: Dictionary distribution to third graders, one of our club's literacy projects.

October 20, 8 am to noon, Pancake Carnival: Our club's Polio eradication annual fundraiser breakfast at the Eagles Club. Sign up at this week's meeting or online.