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Last week:

Rotary Vocational Service Month

January is **Vocational Service Month** on the Rotary calendar and last week we brought back classification talks, when members tell about their professional and personal experiences. The talk is intended to help other members get to know the speaker and their contributions to the community.



Leading off, club secretary Kari Shea

talked about the importance of Rotary for business contacts when she was with ND Vocational Rehabilitation in Dickinson. Now retired, she looks forward to meeting friends and networking at our weekly Rotary meetings.



Erv Bren, executive director at Community Action, shared his love for working: he works full time and also farms. Both shared how their contacts through Rotary helped them professionally, as well as provided them ways to use their professional skills in service to both our local community and to the world.

During Rotary International's Vocation-

al Service Month, Rotarians are encouraged to focus on this important avenue of Rotary service. Discussions on vocational service can lead to projects that not only develop the ethical consciousness and vocational skills of Rotarians but also the talents within their communities. Today's Rotarians pride themselves on being able to use their professional stature and knowledge to make things happen worldwide, wherever there is a need for change.

This week: Rotary on the Road

This week's meeting will be "On the Road" at All In Event Center, the former Lady J's, 20 E. Broadway. Lunch will be served at noon. New owner Dave Oullette will be our speaker and share his plans for the facility. Park in the First Street SE parking lot behind the building and enter through the east door.



Today's Meeting:

Greeters: Mary Massad & Amanda Wilson *Next meeting: Eldon Mehrer & Tara Zettel*

<u>Community Kindness</u>: We will be collecting funds for blood pressure machines for Prairie Rose Recovery Center, providing support and services for adults with serious mental illness.

Invocation: During this Vocational Service Month, we give thanks for our business and professional lives that are the bedrock of Rotary. We give thanks for Vocational Service as a major force in promoting honor, integrity and trustworthiness in business. AMEN

Coming up:

TODAY: *Rotary on the Road,* All In Event Center, 20 E. Broadway, former Lady J's. Park on the street or in the First Street SE parking lot and enter through the east door.