



CARONDELET Y SERVICE CLUB NOVEMBER 2009

MID AMERICA REGION

Words to the Y's

PREZ SEZ

I extend a sincere Thank You to our club officers for stepping up to the plate during my absence at the October meeting. They were able to pass the budget and induct a new member. I understand that the desserts were outstanding. Thank you to those who baked them.

We begin another chapter in the life of the Carondelet Y Service Club as we meet at the NEW Carondelet Park Rec

Plex for our November meeting. A walking tour of the facility is on the agenda.

This is a reminder that if you have not paid your dues as outlined at the October meeting and newsletter, please do by sending your payment to **Marsha Brann, 706 Loughborough, St. Louis, MO 63111**

Anne

Best Seat In The House

By

FRAN GOEBEL



I almost hadn't come to the class at church that night. With four kids and a full-time teaching job, I had plenty to do.

But my 11-year-old son, Brady, was having surgery the next day. I hated to think of him alone in the operating room. I'd been praying for weeks, asking God to be with Brady and his doctors during surgery, but it didn't feel like enough.

Standing in the doorway of the church hall I couldn't believe how many people had showed up for this class. It looked like more than a hundred were seated at the tables scattered throughout the hall-but not a familiar face among them.

No one I can ask to pray with me for Brady. I sat down at a table next to a dark-haired man, but the instructor immediately asked us to move.

"Let's fill in all these vacant chairs up front," she said. The dark-haired man got up to look for another seat. I crossed the room to an empty chair. But just as I got there, someone else took it. I spotted another chair at the next table. The same thing happened again. And again.

I did not come here for a game of musical chairs, I thought as I made a beeline for another chair. I flung myself into it and turned to see...the same dark-haired man I'd left behind.

"We meet again," he said as the instructor stood to speak.

"Tonight I thought we'd talk about our lives outside of church," she said.

"Everybody share with the people at your table how you work your faith into your daily life."

The dark-haired man said, "I'm an anesthesiologist. Before I put a patient under, I pray for him. I ask each patient if they'd like to pray too. I used to be embarrassed about this..."

"I think it's wonderful!" I interrupted.

"My son is having surgery tomorrow. I'd feel so much better if his doctor could pray with him."

"Where is his surgery?" he asked.

I mentioned the hospital. "Dr. Duplechain is doing the operation."

"Then I can assure you that your son will be surrounded by prayer," he said, "because I'm the one scheduled to be taking him into the operating room."

In a room full of strangers, God had seated me - twice! - next to the one man who could pray with me tonight and my son in the morning.

From: Guideposts Mag. (True story by **Bonnie Kidder**)

"I love the Lord because he hears my prayers and answers them. Because he bends down and listens, I will pray as long as I breathe!" **Psalms 116:1-2**

CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS

Club Member News

We welcome **Barb Rhyne** to membership in our club. She was inducted as our newest member bringing our number to 29, the highest we have had in a very long time. **Barb** received an award as an outstanding volunteer at the Book Fair Celebration dinner. She and **Nancy McCullough** were recognized for having accumulated the highest number of hours by our members among the more than 400 volunteers for the 2009 Book Fair. Eighteen of us participated and several of them contributed more than 50 hours this year. These are some high goals as we reach out to make this event a premiere event for our St. Louis area. In addition, **Debbie Redmond** tracks all of this information and monitors the actual volunteer duties during the entire Fair from move-in through the final clean up days.

Congratulations to **Debbie** too for being installed as Regional Director Elect for the Mid America Region. She has been a very active Area and Region officer for a number of years as Secretary but next year she will be leading our Region. She will be attending the Regional Director-Elect training in Torrance, California, joining the others who will serve as the members of the US Area Council. She comes to this position well informed on Y's Men activities and functions from taking all of those notes and distributing information

Thanks for your unheralded service, Debbie. We do appreciate you.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Rachelle Reeg** who was honored by the St. Louis Metro Business & Professional Woman's Club as their Woman of the Year. She was recognized at their October dinner meeting in celebration of Missouri's Business and Professional Woman's Week.

Thank you.

Anne and I would like to extend a big thank you to the members of the Carondelet Y Service Club who have sent messages of support after hearing about the sudden loss of my brother Mike. A special thank you to those who attended the visitation or funeral. We appreciate your thoughts and prayers. **Bill Stuckel**

International News (We can use!)

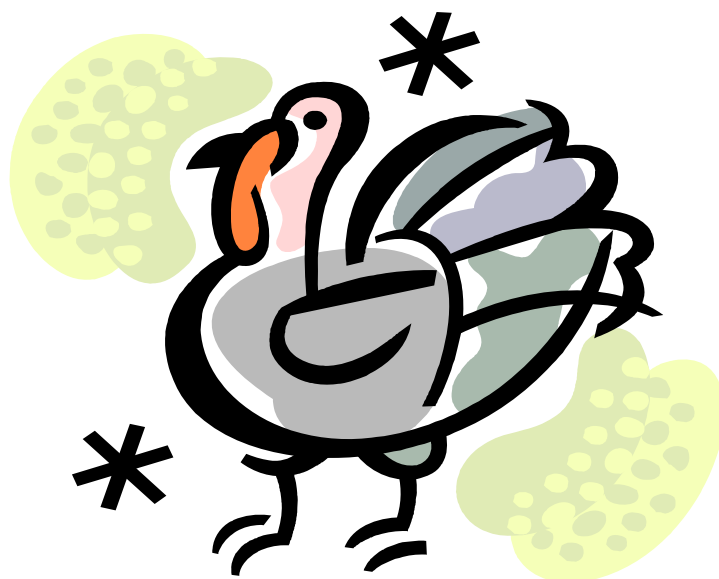
(Comments by Rachelle)

--The International Council approved a change in Guideline 101 of the International Constitution allowing the use of the name "Y Service Clubs International" as alternate name. It also removed "Y'sdom International" as an approved name.

What is the impact? This removes the gender specific term "Y's Men" as the only other name our clubs could use. The name of Y's Men is still quite acceptable but the change removes the restrictive effect of the gender specific term. (New stationery, posters??)

--**Rolando Dalmas**, International Secretary General, will be retiring in November 2010 so a search is under way to find someone to take his place as our paid executive leader. Advertisements for this opening have been placed and the Personnel Committee will be reviewing applications and conducting interviews after December 2009. The plan is to introduce the incoming Secretary General at the 2010 International Convention in Yokohama, Japan.

--**Colin Lambie**, South Pacific Area President, (whom we met in January during the snowy Council Meeting events) has been appointed chairman of the Environmental Committee (Green Team). Its duty is "to call for and recommend projects that will reduce or offset emission from YMI." He had previously served as chair of a task force investigating YMI becoming carbon neutral. (Is this an avenue for special projects for our club??) Check online at www.yservice.org.au and click on **green team**. Lots of good ideas here!



CARONDELET Y SERVICE CLUB

OCTOBER 11, 2009

Present: Dan Schulze, Marsha Brann, Fran Goebel, Bob Daniels, Marilyn Chase, Rachelle Reeg, Myrtle Mignerone, Paul Mignerone, Rea Finn, Barb Rhyne, Debbie Redmond and Charley Redmond.

Welcome: Charley Redmond opened the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Invocation: Fran read a prayer regarding leadership. A minute of silent prayer was given for the **Stuckel Family** for their loss.

New Member Installation: Charley inducted Barb Rhyne as a member of the Carondelet Y Service Club utilizing the induction written many years ago. Debbie presented Barb with a membership pin.

Book Fair Update: Dan stated that the final amount has fluctuated slightly due to some returned checks and a few other issues but we still were able to collect over \$139,000 from the fair this year, the highest amount since the start of the fair. Debbie reported there were over 8,000 volunteer hours with 453 volunteers this year. She listed the members that had over 50 hours that were honored at the dinner to include: Barb, Nancy, Rachelle, Marilyn, and Rea. Nancy received the Golden Apron award and Rachelle received the Top Recruiter award (for getting the Bayless students).

Rollback Malaria: Last year, we were able to raise money to purchase the mosquito net kits and Bayless High School assisted in the project (their total was \$2,000). Bayless has requested to continue the fund raising and Y's Men International has agreed. Several groups in Canada are also continuing with the project. Rachelle will meet with the members of the United Nations Committee in California in November (at the end of the Regional Director Elect training). They are hoping to come up with another worthwhile project that could be as successful as this one has been.

Mid America Regional Convention: The results of the Regional Election were announced at the Regional Convention in September. The Regional Director Elect will be Debbie Redmond who will attend the training in Torrance California in November. At the Convention, Carondelet Y Service Club received the Excellence Award since they had achieved all of the awards and had helped to charter a new club. They also received the award for the Newsletter

Schedule of Events: Charley handed out a copy of the schedule of events for this year. There was additional discussion regarding the moving of Church Sunday, Time of Fast, and Mystery Trip to different months. One of the new events will be the Chili Cook Off in January as well as the tour of the new Carondelet Park Community Rec

Plex. Members were asked to sign up for committees to help with these events and lists were passed around the room.

Budget: Marsha and Dan passed out copies of the proposed budget. We received \$6,000 this year from the Book Fair. Everyone was reminded that there are two components to the budget, the General Fund which is 10% of the revenue and the Service Fund which is 90% of the revenue. One of the difficulties in the budget from 2008-2009 was where some of the funds for the Honors Night were taken out of General instead of Service Funds. Rachelle made a motion seconded by Rea and Paul to make a contribution of \$100 out of the Service Fund from the previous year to the Habilitation Program. Motion carried. It was pointed out that since two of the members work for the YMCA in the Habilitation Program. We should show our support of their services to this community. There was discussion on the pledge cards for the Day Camp and Membership donations to the Strong Community Campaign as well as a discussion on the two Bayless Scholarships that were provided last year to help two students to be able to continue their education. Dan made a motion seconded by Marsha and Marilyn to move the Honors Night and related expenses from the General (Club) funds to the Service Fund in the 2008-2009 budget in order to balance the previous budget. Motion carried. There were several thoughts regarding the way to continue to work with Bayless and provide our support. Additional questions were asked regarding the donations to endowment. Motion was made by Rachelle and seconded by Paul to accept the budget as amended. Motion carried.

Committees: Persons that signed up for the following committees include Barb, Marsha and Marilyn for Adopt a Family (to be announced next month). Christmas Committee has Myrtle, Marilyn and Fran. The Chili Cook Off included Barb and Rea. Church Sunday will be Rea who will check the Church Calendar. Her Church will be having a 160 year celebration in 2010.

Additional Dates to Remember: Carondelet Historical Society is doing a display on Carondelet Industries from October 1st to March 1st, their luncheon is October 25th at 1:00. It is hoped that the November 8th meeting can be held at the new Rec Plex and tours will be provided. November 19th is the Grand Opening of the Rec Plex to include a parade from the flagpole at Carondelet, up Vermont to Holly Hills and ends at the flagpole at the new building. Book Fair will continue to use the Carondelet Basement for the sorting and pricing of books. They will finally get to use the entire basement instead of just half of it.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Marsha and seconded by Bob to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Redmond, Secretary

Volunteering for Y Service Volunteers

I want to thank all who have volunteered to help with our committees. There is still some discussion on the dates for our meetings, but we will have set the schedule by our November 8 meeting. We have eight committees this year to help organize the following activities:

Adopt a Family (November 8), **Marilyn Chase, Marsha Brann**

Christmas (December 13): **Myrtle Mignerone, Barb Rhyne, Marilyn Chase, Fran Goebel**

Brotherhood / Chili Cook-off (January 10): **Barb Rhyne, Rea Finn, Charley Redmond**

Church Sunday (February / March): **Rea Finn**

Time of Fast (February / March): **Rachelle Reeg, Charley Redmond**

Mystery Trip (April 17 ?): **Rachelle Reeg, Charley Redmond, Debbie Redmond**

Book Fair Kickoff / Hot Dog Sunday (May 16): **Barb Rhyne, Myrtle Mignerone, Marilyn Chase**

The Nominating Committee will be composed of the current officers.

Anyone wishing to help with any of these activities can contact me and I will help you contact the rest of the group.
Charley Redmond

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



To Acknowledge The Duty That Accompanies Every Right

Websites to check out for more information!

www.ymcastlouis.org (St. Louis YMCA –for Carondelet YMCA—click on “find branch)

www.ysmenusa.com (US Area Y Service Clubs *Bob Daniels is the webmaster!*)

www.ysmen.org (International Y’s Men website for Malaria Project—click on NEWS)

www.ccbf-inc.org (Carondelet Community Betterment Foundation)

www.baylessk12.org (Bayless School District)

Carondelet Y Service Club

2008/2009

Chartered October 1978

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Vice President: Charley Redmond

Secretary: Debbie Redmond

Treasurer: Marsha Brann

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Nathan Barr

Marilyn Chase

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Rea Finn

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Audrey Miller

Joseph Oganda

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Club Calendar Meeting Dates and Events

November 8

Carondelet Park Rec Plex

Details later

Time TBD

December 13

Holiday Party

This newsletter can be seen on the internet @ www.ysmenusa.com

International News

January 24-28, 2010 International Mid Year meeting Geneva, Switzerland

US Area News

November 12-15, 2009—RDE Training Torrance, CA

Mid America Region News

Club News

Club meeting November 8th