

Y's CRACKER

St. Paul Skyway Y Service Club



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Scriptural Guidance –Romans: 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Worldly wisdom - An advantage of being disorderly is that one is constantly making exciting discoveries. (A.A. Milne)

Fun fare – Vern., Hugh and Howard ably responded to our need. for relief from today's demands.

Guests – Gloria and Roberta were conspicuous by their absence. In other words, we missed them.

Door Prizes – Five members were awarded door prizes courtesy of Stephanie.

President John offered an “ invocative “invocation to express our gratitude to God for the gift of opportunities we have to be of service to others through the YMCA.

Business Meeting

1. ROLLBACK MALARIA Some months back our club voted unanimously to support the United Nations/Y's Men International project, ROLLBACK MALARIA. Then the club's Board of Directors, again with a unanimous voice, recommended our support level be \$25 per member. 100% participation would be particularly gratifying to 90 youngsters who will then receive protection from malaria. **Please write a check for whatever amount you can share to Y's Men International, U.S. Area and sent it to Vern Kenney @ 511 Heinel Drive, Roseville, MN 55113. It would be very helpful to complete this drive yet this month. On behalf of these African kids, thank you.**

2. Tree Lot Cleanup – Sid has been working out there and completed the talk alone! Thank you Sid. I'm sure a number of us were expecting to be called to help.

3, Y Partners – President John read a letter from our Y Executive Director Darwin, in which he expressed appreciation for the club's contribution of \$10,400 for Youth Partners. Darwin also reminded us to make our annual personal contributions to the Y Partners camp again. With this year's Tree Sale support inexplicably and significantly down our supplemental personal help is especially needed to ensure that no kids will be denied YMCA services.

4. President John read a letter from International Service Director, Josey Joseph, who urged us to support community activities. Of course we do so through our YMCA Youth Partners.

Future Programs

April 2 - George Davis will provide a pictorial tour of a mission project he and Lorraine visited in the Yucatan. . George's son is involved in this project.

April 9 – Roger Nedels will bring us a report on his epic African adventure.

April 16 – Vern Kenny son, Dave, here to share the history of Boy Scouts in Minnesota , a current book writing projec.t.

Today's Program.

Roxy Kline is on the staff at the Woodbury YMCA and is directing a program, *Know Stroke*, , designed to protect seniors especially, from strokes. Roxy gave us a helpful overview of what typifies strokes, its symptoms, causes, treatments, emergency measures and preventive steps. Roxy's comments, a brief video and an extended Q and A session provided the members with some extremely important and timely information. Thank you Roxy for sharing this story with us and thank you Stephanie for arranging the program.

International Perspective– From *A Fellowship of Service* (75th Anniversary History Book) The name “Y's Men” actually came from the YMCA. A YMCA staff member wrote a column for the YMCA periodical of that day, called “Association Men.” He always signed off his column with “Will M Cressy, A Y's Man from the East.” Paul William Alexander, the first president of our organization, liked the phrase and obtained approval to adopt “Y's Men” as our official name.

Members:

Al Alshouse	Stephanie Chauss	John Duntley	Al Jackson	Tom Kranz	Darwin Miles	S:id Swenson
Claude Bewell	John Cosgrove	Pendy Eliou	Vern Kenney	Jim Kursu	Roger Needels	Rick Wasiluk
George Bewell	George Davis	Dan Gavin	Forrest Klingaman	Gerry Lee	Joan Purrington	
Larry Boll	Jim Dodds	Norm Heidorn	Howard Kilby	Hugh Markley	Jim Sargent	