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Make Up Opportunities:

Tues. – 11:30 a.m. Moni’s Grill in Walnut Ridge, Rotary Club of Lawrence County

Tues. – 5:30 p.m. – Holiday Inn
Rotary Club of Jonesboro – Metro

Wed. – 12:00 – Paragould Country Club
Rotary Club of Paragould

Thurs. – 7:00 a.m. – Holiday Inn
Rotary Club of Jonesboro – University

Thurs. – 12:00 – Trumann Country Club
Rotary Club of Trumann

Online anytime - www.rotaryclubone.org
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For more make up opportunities, visit the club’s web site and click on “Meeting Locator” on the right-hand side menu.

THE BIG WHEEL

The Rotary Club of Jonesboro, Arkansas,

This Week’s Program:
May 1, 2012



David Leonard, Band Director
Annie Camp Jr. High Jazz Band

Last Week’s Program:
April 24, 2012

The “Rotary Connection” has been a major influence in **Elaine Poggi’s** life, and on Tuesday she explained it to Jonesboro Rotarians.



Hank Germer videos Poggi’s talk.

Poggi, now a resident of Florence, Italy, is president of the **Foundation for Photo/Art in Hospitals**. The foundation promotes the placement of healing photographs in hospitals worldwide. The journey she followed to her current passion is a result of a Rotary Connection.

“Looking back over my life, I know the moment that my life was changed forever,” she said. She was a senior at Beloit College in Wisconsin when her piano instructor recommended that she “study piano upon graduation with the famous Maestro Orazio Frugoni” in Florence.

She earned two Rotary Ambassadorial scholarships allowing her to study from 1974 to 1976 in Florence. “This meant that I could live, study, learn and perform in one of the most beautiful cities in the world.”

Maestro Frugoni was a Rotarian and provided many opportunities for her to interact with Rotary clubs. “The most significant Rotarian Connection” occurred when she attended a meeting as a goodwill ambassador. “The youngest and most handsome Rotarian in the club showed me special attention.” They were married four years later. They now have two children and one grandchild.



Poggi’s front yard. Florence is in the “V” of the hills.

Poggi has spent the last 10 years living Rotary’s Service Above Self motto in an effort to serve “patients suffering in hospitals around the world.” Since starting the Foundation for Photo/Art in Hospitals, she has worked with more than 200 hospitals on six continents, “sending over 3,000 large nature photographs to alleviate the cold and unfriendly hospital environment.

“I have been given a gift: I am aware of and can see the world’s beauty around me. I capture the beauty with my camera, and then my greatest joy is to share it with those who are suffering in hospitals.”

Poggi illustrated her presentation with slides showing hospitals and the photographic art they have received. She has given talks to Rotarians at clubs in the United States, Italy and Japan, and “a number of clubs have sponsored photo projects in their local hospitals.



Report Card

Attendance for Last Week

Total member count.....153
 Honorary members.....11
 "Rule of 85" members.....21
 Number Used for Attendance.....128
 Members Present.....82
 Make-ups.....0
 Percentage for this meeting.....64.1%
 Note: As members make up for this meeting, the attendance percentage increases.

Guests of Members

Mary Ellen Warner.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Dr. John Altomar.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Bridget Taylor	Bob Warner Jr.
Tracie Bergman	Bob Warner Jr.
Karen McDaniel.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Greg Hansen.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Susan Beasley.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Joe Ford.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Karen Sullivan.....	Bob Warner Jr.
Nancy Germer.....	Hank Germer
Marty Boyd.....	Mark Morrow
Todd Rhodes.....	Mike Skelton
Todd Wilcox.....	Mike Barber
Becky Wing	Gene Wing
Teresa Mead.....	Bob Warner Jr.

Rotarian Guests

Jim MilesClub 99 of Little Rock

Guests of the Club

Elaine Poggi, Speaker, Foundation for Photo/Art in Hospitals
 Freddie Bowen, PrincipalWestside H.S.
 Dr. Bryan Duffie, Superintendent, Westside

Birthdays

None this week.

Club Anniversaries

Barry Deacon	May 1.....	33 Years
Bob Houston	May 1.....	54 Years
Leann Morrow.....	May 4.....	8 Years
Guy Patteson	May 1.....	28 Years
Tracy Pollock	May 2.....	14 Years
Mike Tinsley.....	May 2.....	6 Years
Rennell Woods.....	May 3.....	7 Years

Volunteers for May 1, 2012

InvocationJesse Perkins
 Intro of GuestsDustin Jones
 Good News.....Lisa Barber
 Notes on Good News.....Tracy Pollock
 Newsletter:.. Russ Shain with Tom Trevathan
 Photographer:Tom Trevathan

Westside Interact



Brooke Brown, Sponsor; Cena Dowd, Jordan Simpson, CathyJo Smallmon, and Sharon Bishop.

Scholarship Awarded



CathyJo Smallmon is the Westside Interact Scholarship Recipient for 2012-2013. Interact Committee Chairman **Jeff Steiling** made the presentation.

The \$3,000 scholarship from the Jonesboro Rotary Club may be used at any institution of higher education the recipient chooses. Smallmon plans to attend Arkansas State University - Newport and ASUJ Technical Center for her basic courses, and then transfer to a four year institution. She is interested in Special Education and Children's Counseling. She was selected after a formal application process including an interview by a committee of Jonesboro Rotarians.

Smallmon has been very active at Westside participating in Interact since the 10th grade. She has volunteered at the Miracle Rodeo and the Arkansas Sportshow along with many events sponsored by her club. She has earned the rank of officer in the JROTC program at Westside.

Smallmon works at Best Buy, participates in their training program, and works at Hot Topic part-time.

Westside Interact Sponsors are Ms. **Brooke Brown** and Mrs. **Terri Tyner**.



San Luca, Careggi Hospital
Florence, Italy

"I believe that my mission helps build goodwill and peace, furthering international understanding much like Rotary does. My years as an Ambassadorial Scholar have greatly contributed to my success in serving humanity through my God-given talents."

If you want to read more about hospital photo art, go the foundation's website www.healingphotoart.com.

Banner Exchange



President Mark Morrow receives a banner from speaker **Elaine Poggi's** husband's home Rotary Club in **Florence, Italy**.

Picture of the Week



Relax, heal, recreate, and revive.

Thought for the Week



"The quality of your life is the quality of your relationships."
Anthony Robbins

