

Rotary Notary

October 21 2009

CALENDAR

- OCT. 28-No Meeting
- NOV. 4-Jason Opat, President Integrated Media Group
- NOV. 11-Barry Myers, National CEO of AccuWeather
- NOV. 18-Tony Woodlief, Market Based Management, Koch Industries

BIRTHDAYS

LEE ELRICK	10/ 21
DENISE BANDEMER	10/ 22
GLENN EHLING	10/ 26
TIM LINK	10/ 28
JADEN RANDLE	10/ 29
JOHN HURST	11/ 6
BARBARA WAITT	11/ 6

Speaker: Bill Moore, Westar President

The good news for us consumers is that as summer temperatures have fallen, so have our heating/cooling costs.

“We had the coldest summer since 1966,” said Bill Moore, the President/CEO of Westar Energy. “We make our money in the summer. When you are miserable, we are happy,” Bill joked.

The bad news for us consumers is that we'll probably be miserable in a few months. “I think we are going to have a horrible winter,” Bill said.

So you're starting to get the picture. The summer was cool, the winter will be wacky. “There is more uncer-

tainty now than there has ever been,” Bill said of our energy needs.

Bill has been in the energy business almost 30 years and he reminisced that consumers begged for nuclear power plants. “Then when we built them,” Bill said, “no one liked us.”

Homes are larger and we're now using many misc. devices such as cell phone, microwaves, and plasma TVs. “It's amazing what these thing use as far as energy,” Bill said.

Our daily energy demands peak at around 6 p.m. when some businesses remain open and some employees



Bill is a former Wichita State football player.

have returned home.

Westar accommodates the demand with coal and nuclear power. “The key components in the system,” Bill said. “We added wind this year. When we need it the most in the middle of the summer, the wind usually isn't blowing.”

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Moore from Bill

Westar's wind facilities are in Concordia, Leoti, and Medicine Lodge, logistically positioned to try to ensure that one part of the state is always windy.

Of course, the nuclear power plant, Wolf Creek, is in Bur-

lington.

Westar is building a 100-mile line of power poles from Wichita to Hutchinson to Salina to better deliver more energy.

Because of projects such as that, Westar rates are 25%

below the national average, Bill said.

Energy efficient measures you can adopt include fluorescent light bulbs and programmable thermostats, which automatically reduce consumption.

Never eat with your mouth full

Greeter-Lynn Jeane.

Prayer-Spencer Stelljes.

Announcements-Britt Fulmer said that a stewardess asked an airline passenger if he'd like dinner. "What are my options?" the passenger asked. "Yes or no," the stewardess replied.

A man approached the airline ticket counter. He was asked for his ticket, however, he decided to flash the attendant. "I asked to see your ticket," she said, "Not your stub."

Three cowboys were hanging out in the bunkhouse. "I know that smart aleck Tex," said the first. "He's going to start bragging about that new foreign car he bought as soon as he gets back." "Not Tex," the second cowboy replied. "He'll always be just a good ol' boy. When he walks in, I'm sure all he'll say is hello." "I know Tex better than either of you," said the third. "He's so smart, he'll figure out a way to do both. Here he comes now." Tex swung open the bunkhouse door

and shouted, "Audi, partners!"

New member-Brian Burrus introduced Jim Pirtle of Documents on Demand. Jim graduated from East high and attended the University of Kansas for one year.

Jim said he attended kindergarten with **Paul Black** and he rescued **Tom Morris** (Not recently) from entrapment in a bathroom.

"I want to thank the membership committee that approved me," Jim said, "because I can't stand rejection."

Early to rise, early to bed, makes a man healthy but socially dead

Mixer-Eat, drink, and meet Mary on Thurs. Oct. 22 at Sabor at The Waterfront, north of 13th on Webb. The festivities begin at 5 and continue until 7 (P.M.!). You get to pay for your own drinks, Sabor will provide the snacks, and Rotary will generously give you an attendance credit.

Even Moore from Bill-Our guest speaker Bill Moore said Westar isn't planning to accommodate electric vehicles. In other words, most electric vehicles will be charged over night when the consumption is low.

Misc.-You can continue to donate to the **Kevin Rathert** fund. Kevin is recovering from

a heart and liver transplant.

Yukiko Hendrich won the Dillons drawing.

Past President **Karen Norton** is gathering information for our 25th anniversary celebration. For example, if you were Rotarian of the Year, please contact Karen. Also, what was your favorite program?

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Pococurante
(adjective, noun)
[poe'-koe-koor-RAN-tee]
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Movie Review: Couples Retreat

Who wouldn't like to visit a resort that's so beautiful, it could be a screen saver? Well, you might not want that trip if it's with your wife. That's the premise of the comedy *Couples Retreat*. Four couples, with various challenges in their relationships, seek this vaca-

tion paradise to improve their communication. The couples engage in team-building activities, all of which cause the relationships to decline.

For example, the women enjoy the hunky massage therapist, who excels at pelvic thrusts and punctuates each by saying

"Boom." However, for some reason, the men didn't that therapist, especially when he practiced the thrusts on them. Eventually, the couples learn that paradise is found in the beauty of their relationship, for better or worse, for richer or poorer.