



Le Bon Mot



News letter for the John R Mott Chapter of YMCA Retirees of Iowa and Eastern Nebraska

January/February Newsletter 20121

✚ **ZOOM** is coming! Join us for a zoom meeting January 13, at 2:00 pm hosted by our Presidents Jon and Lynn Springer and tech support Jim Weaton. It will be great to see your smiling faces! It has been too long. Jim will be sending a link.

✚ **EAF** I will include a statement taken from the "Connection" by Mikey and Jim Havlich our National YMCA Alumni EAF co-chairs. "We have so much to be thankful for as retirees; no worries about furloughs, layoffs, job loss, income, or insurance. We give thanks for all of you and for your caring and generosity toward each other through EAF."

✚ **NATIONAL SERVICE PROJ.**
A number of you have contacted me asking where you can send the seed money contributions from your Alumni Chapter in support of our National Service Project. If you are ready to send it now, please mail to:

National YMCA Alumni Serv. Proj.
c/o Bob Hastedt
PO Box 120989
Staten Island, NY 10312

Thank you for all you do,
Lou Faulk

"Happy Holidays from YMCA World Service! We are encouraged and inspired by your enduring support for youth and YMCA's worldwide. Thank you for celebrating the spirit of the season every day! (shared email Dec 4th)

Sincerely, Mary Tikalsky
Director of World Service, YMCA of USA

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK

"Happy New Year to all of you!! 2020 is behind us and it will certainly be a year for the record books. With the arrival of COVID vaccine, we can hope and pray that the end of the pandemic is in sight. I'm sure we are all looking forward to 2021 when life should return to normal." It has been a year since we have been able to fellowship together and we have missed that. Our zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 13th will give us a chance to catch up. It will be great to visit with you at that time. MASKS OPTIONAL AND SOCIAL DISTANCING NOT A PROBLEM.

Until then stay warm, safe, and healthy."

Jon Springer Mott Chapter President

January/February Celebrations

January-none

February Birthday: Dodee Pugh 02/29



WORLD SERVICE

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

Here is an introductory statement from new members Frank and Betty Buckley of Bondurant, IA.

Betty was born in Nevada and Frank in Newton, Ia. Both attended Newton Community Schools where they began dating in their sophomore year. Betty was the Homecoming Queen and Frank the court Jester. After attending their first year at Wartburg College they married in 1975. Betty worked at an insurance company while Frank finished his degree at Central College, commuting during the day and working as a custodian at night. Five years later they were blessed with son Jeff and then five years later son Joe. Jeff's family resides in Bondurant and Joe's family just moved back from Ohio to Ankeny, IA.

Betty was a stay at home Mom during the kids younger years. She then served as Middle School Secretary for 23 years prior to retiring. Frank worked in Corporate America for 34 years prior to joining the Newton YMCA. He served at the Y for 10 years, the last 3 as CEO. Both are retired spending time with their 4 grandkids and serving in a number of roles in the church. Betty enjoys reading and shopping for others. Frank enjoys golf and fishes every chance he gets.



Frank and Betty Buckley

The Mott Chapter Officers **Look Forward to Seeing You !!**

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