

THE ROTARY MAKE-UP

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Wood River Rotary's Board of Directors will meet today at 11:15 a.m., at St. John United Church of Christ. A Club Assembly will be held during the noon meeting.

The countdown continues for Disco Bingo, Saturday evening, March 24 at Wood River VFW. Proceeds will go to the scholarship funds for our Club and East Alton Rotary. **Jean Kainz** needs help with the following:

- Volunteers are needed for set-up, during the event, and cleanup. Please send your preference for helping to Jean by e-mail – trickeyes@sbcglobal.net.
- More round sponsors are needed. Sponsorships are \$100 per round.
- Sell your tickets (or buy them and give them away). Please turn in your ticket money and/or unused tickets. If you need more tickets to sell please send a group e-mail for locate some (because all tickets have been distributed)
- Baskets are needed for raffle. Please let Jean know if you plan to donate a basket.

Two outstanding Junior Rotarians from Roxana High School are with us again today. **Dickson Wong** has been the RHS Public and Private Communication Student of the Year, Silver Medallion recipient and U.S. President's Award for Educational Excellence. He has also participated in Theater Club, Scholar Bowl and tennis. Dickson is employed by the Roxana Park District. He plans to attend SIUE and his major and career path are undecided. Dickson's parents are **Dorville** and **Zelda Johnson**.

Taylor Whitehead serves as captain for the Scholar Bowl team. A member of National Honor Society, she has been published by the National Library of Poetry. Taylor is recipient of the Silver Medallion and U.S. President's Award for Educational Excellence. She also participates in Book Club, Bible Club, Student Council, yearbook staff, Thespians, Drama Club, Select Advanced Choir, Peer Leadership and church youth group. Taylor plans to attend Lindenwood University-Belleville to major in elementary education to become a second grade teacher. Her parents are **Debbie** and **Tom Whitehead**.

Last Monday Vice President **John Pearson** presided in the absence of President **Paul Guccione**. **Mike Southcombe** provided the invocation. Roxana School District Assistant Superintendent **Steve Oertle** brought the Junior Rotarians. **Pat Devening** had the 50/50 opportunity but she failed to win the \$29. **John Pearson** asked two questions about the 2018 Academy Awards, which were correctly answered by **Mike Southcombe** and **Frank Akers**. Everyone else was fined. The Song of the Day was Battle Hymn of the Republic.

Our Junior Rotarians presented an impromptu program about the recent RHS musical production. Children of Eden is based on Biblical stories of Genesis through the lens of family. God's relationship with Adam and Eve and their sons Cain, Abel and Seth is explored with the loving Father learning to let go. The story of Noah and his sons Shem, Ham and Japheth is also told through word and song. **Dickson Wong** dealt with the birds and **Taylor Whitehead** controlled one of the lions (actually a dog). Among the performers were **Jessica Levan**, **Jacob Levan**, **Sara Kreutztrager**, **Maddie Pitchford**, **Ben Pitchford** and **Meredith Pitchford**. Students and their adult directors and support staff did a great job.

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"A fellow told me he was going to hang-glider school. He said, 'I've been going for three months.' I said, 'How many successful jumps do you need to make before you graduate?' He said, 'All of them.'" **Red Skelton**