



Flint Rotary World

Charter No. 220 – *Rotary Club of Flint, Michigan* – Organized April 7, 1916
Rotary theme for 2008-2009 – “Make Dreams Real”

Dong Kurn Lee, Seoul, Korea, President, Rotary International, - Carl "Kelly" Fotheringham, Mildmay, Canada Governor, District 6330

Coming up this week: Dale Swihart, Rotary Group Study Exchange **Last week: Consumers Energy in 2009 and Beyond**

Kelly Farr, Plant Governmental and Public Affairs Manager for Consumers Energy spoke about their 21st Century Energy Plan. Most of Michigan’s power plants are 50 years old. Consumers Energy will finish a coal fired power plant at Essexville by 2015. This 800 megawatt power plant will have the latest pollution control devices making it one of the cleanest in the nation. The building of the plant will create 1,800 construction jobs, 80 permanent maintenance jobs, and \$24 million in property taxes for Bay County. It will take five years to complete.

Another recent project is the Advanced Metering Initiative which has computerized all metering functions. This will allow the meter to signal the main power plant when there is any significant power outage. It will also make it possible for individual customers to track their energy usage and the charges for the energy depending on peak hour usage. Thus customers can choose lower peak hours and lower costs for their highest energy consumption.

Also by 2015 Consumers Energy will produce 20% of their energy through renewable resources – wood burning, hydro-electric, or wind turbine powered plants. Their goal is a balanced energy initiative. Currently Consumers Energy buys all the energy produced by the Thumb Wind Park Farm in Ubly, Michigan located in the thumb in Huron County. The best wind generation occurs in the thumb and it is far from large population areas and meets the requirement for wind farms of being at least five miles from an airport. Because of the need for new infrastructure to carry the energy from the wind farms to high energy use areas, wind power currently is two to three times more expensive than coal powered plants.

VITAL STATISTICS

From the Jan 9, 2009 meeting:

Tim Lamb served as the greeter, with introduction of guests and visiting Rotarians provided by **Tim Lamb**. The 50/50 raffle was handled by **Kim Egerer**. **Dick Ebbott** led us in song and **Lindsey Younger** offered the inspirational message. Set up and take down by **Tim Lamb** with assistance from **Don Barrow**. As always, thanks to pianist **Paul Vanston**.

Upcoming Programs

- Jan. 16 – Dale Swihart, Rotary Group Study Exchange**
- Jan. 23 – Tim Herman, diversifying Gen. Cty. Economy**
- Jan. 30 - Kearsley Street Week in Review**

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Rotary Club of Flint New Project-Request for Proposals 2008-09

The Rotary Club of Flint is seeking new projects to fund for the 2008-09 fiscal year based on the following criteria:

1. That the project be structural and permanent.
2. That it be susceptible to signage or plaques bearing Rotary insignia.
3. That it be located within the central area of the city and carry the potential of contributing to community development and revitalization efforts there.
4. That it not support programs, staff or services.
5. That it be consistent with the general purposes of economic development.

To submit a project for consideration, please answer the following questions:

HOW WOULD THE PROJECT ENHANCE REVITALIZATION EFFORTS IN CENTRAL FLINT?

WHAT AMOUNT IS SOUGHT AND WHAT IS THE BUDGET?

HAS ANOTHER SOURCE BEEN APPROACHED? IF SO, WHOM?

SUBMITTED BY: _____

Please mail to: Rotary Club of Flint New Projects, 2566 Nolen Drive, Flint MI 48504, for receipt no later than Feb. 13, 2009. Or submit by email: max_dean@att.net. Please include supporting documents.