



Hiawatha Y Service Club



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Thoughts:

THE THOUGHT BELOW WAS THE ONE I HAD WRITTEN FOR THE SECOND MARCH 2020 CLUB BULLETIN. AS I LOOK BACK, I AM IMPRESSED WITH THE APPROPRIATENESS FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC. THUS, I AM TAKING THE LIBERTY OF USING IT AT THIS TIME. IT COULD BE USED MOST ANYTIME.

Our news media relates all the murders, assaults, robberies, vandalisms, and so on. Oh how we need to hear God's voice as in this scripture (Psalms 46: 4-6). *"There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us."*

Let us Carry-on!:

We have all been through a lot for more than a year. The structure of our club was also damaged by the loss of **Daryl** serving as Hiawatha Club President and on the US Area Council and then also **Dan** who was the North Central Regional Treasurer besides the canceling of all of our meetings since mid-March. We did have two events in more recent months by having a ZOOM meeting on March 16th and a social meeting on April 20th at the Blaisdell Y. Several of us (**Orville, Bruce and Arlo**) talked about the absence of a nominating committee so the three of us asked **Wendy** if she would be the acting president this summer and be a candidate for the position of president to be elected at our first meeting this fall. Fortunately and thankfully, **Wendy** in her willingness accepted this position as acting this summer and being a candidate at our next meeting for the presidency.

Coming Meeting: To be decided with your advice:

There is often a discussion of whether our first meeting should be held on the first Tuesday in September when it falls on the next day after Labor Day. If we delay it a week, it trips up the second meeting in September or accept that we have two meetings a week apart. Please express your wishes of having the first meeting on the first Tuesday, September 7th, or delay for a week. If delayed, when should the second meeting be held? Also please state if you will be attending. Please send an e-mail to me, **Arlo**, with your response.

Last Meetings:

Since there has not been a club bulletin since March 2020, there are three last meetings.

February 18,

Susie (Bradshaw) Webb gave us a very interesting presentation on the continuous effort in progress at Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA). They work closely with both the Minneapolis and Saint Paul police. There was an extensive effort to stop the sex trafficking going on when the Super Bowl was held in Minneapolis last year (2019). There is an extensive focus on young girls who are between the ages of 12 to 15. They are usually runaways, homeless, leave unstable homes and/or suffer from substance abuse. Much effort is used to coordinate with hotels, motels, truck stops, and especially searching online (social media). Susie is amazed at the amount of information received each day from the police, sheriffs, and

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from victims themselves. **Wendy** provided the meal and **Janice** provided the devotional thought. Those attending in addition to the speaker were: **Marty, Daryl, Janice, Arlo, Bob, Tony, Orville, Dick** and **Betty, Del, Tom, Wendy, Paul, Julie** and **Dan**.

On March 16th we held a ZOOM meeting for those available. Fortunately, **Orville** had the software ability to set it up.

On April 20th we had a physical gathering at the Blaisdell Y. We had a good turnout. **Wendy** and **Paul** provided the meal.

Congratulations , MARY, THIS IS A YEAR OLD BUT STILL DEFINITELY WORTH PUBLISHING:

It was with great joy that we heard **Mary Britts** was promoted to Vice President of Operations. Mary has served the YMCA for the past 29 years in various leadership roles including youth teen and family product manager, Executive Director at the North Community, the downtown Saint Paul and the Blaisdell/Hiawatha YMCAs. Prior to this promotion she most recently was promoted to Senior Executive Director overseeing both Blaisdell/Hiawatha and the Harold Mezile Youth Teen Enrichment Center. In addition to her professional roles and accomplishments she is also active in various civic and non-profit boards including several leadership roles.

As VP Operations, **Mary** will lead/oversee the following program areas: sports, CycleHealth, Teen Thrive/Career Pathways, and Neighborhood Centers. She will supervise the following locations: Blaisdell/Hiawatha, Harold Mezile Youth Teen Enrichment Center, Emma B Howe, River Valley, Andover, New Hope, and Cora McCorvey.

US Area News :

Recently, the Area requested we provide data on how we handle recruiting and how our club has grown. Well, **Wendy** and **Arlo** are providing a response and are not sharing it with you. We are summarizing the activities our club has taken during the last several years and accepting the fact that we have not been highly successful. There are college students who are making a project out of all the responses they receive from any kind of clubs or organizations across the country. The project is called 180DC.

International News:

The One Hundredth Anniversary of Y's Men International is being celebrated in Hawaii. Do you remember that you have always wanted to justify a trip to Hawaii, well, here's your opportunity. The convention will be held 11-14 August 2022 in Honolulu.

Our Hiawatha Y Service Club Board within the North Central Region:

President: Wendy Bradshaw

Board Members:

Vice President: Wendy Bradshaw

Treasurer: Tom Dowzak

Immediate Past President: Bruce Johnson

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The Hiawatha Y Service Club was chartered on May 23, 1949 as the Southtown Y's Men's Club which was merged with the Roosevelt Y Service Club (Chartered January 25, 1954) on July 1, 2002.

Beyond the Club: RD NCR: DG: Marty Ziehwein ISG: Jose Varghese (jose@ysmen.org)

Area President: Shayu Sam (North Atlantic Region) Theme: "Carrying Out Our Mission"

International President: Dr. Kim Sang-chaе (South Korea) Theme: "

International President Elect K.C. Samuel (India)

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Members of the Hiawatha Y Service Club are: Julie Adams, Earl Anderson, Maurice Berger, Paul Bradshaw, Wendy Bradshaw, Mary Britts, Devin O'Dea-Clarkson, Tom Dowzak, Del Hamaker, Bruce Johnson, Dick Julin, Lee Kampinen, John Kelly, Jim Lass, Orville Lindquist, Noah Mammen, Tony Maremtic, Gedric Merritt, Richard Neuwirth, Bob Olson, Arlo Pannkuk, Janice Pannkuk, Mike Rudolph, and Marty Ziehwein.

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