



# NOON FORMATION<sup>SM</sup>

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Hudson, Wisconsin

ROTARY CLUB OF HUDSON, WISCONSIN

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hudsonrotaryclub.org

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### VISITORS LAST WEEK

Mary Paul

*Guest of Sonya*

Todd Bol

*Guest of Zach*

Mary Bowen-Eggebraaten

*Daybreak Rotarian*

Lon Feia, Bridgette Feia

*Program*

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

15 December – Liz Malanaphy,  
“Just Add Water” art project and  
Destination Imagination

22 December - Camp Enterprise –  
Thomas Dewey

29 December – Kylee Jungbauer &  
Peg Gagnon – Bridge for Youth  
& Adults with Disabilities

### UPCOMING EVENTS

14 January – midterm training

11 February – Rotary Gala

### UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

*no more in 2011! Check on 3  
January*

*This year's theme & logo*



### A bear tale

Lon Feia entertained the club with some different aspects of his recent brush with notariety. We heard quite a few details about the bear, of course, but another part of the tale is the media exposure which has taken place all around the world.

The media exposure started with an article in the Hudson Star-Observer, and then continued to Twin Cities television. Next were more distant TV stations, like Chicago. Internet blogs also entered the mix, with some based in China, and in Paris, France.

The bear story goes back some years. About 5 to 7 years on average are required to earn points which qualify a hunter for a tag from the DNR. About 38% of hunters with tags are able to “harvest” a bear, with somewhat higher odds taking place when trained dog teams are employed. In our zone, south of Highway 8, baiting is the accepted practice for hunting. Lon pointed out that tracking and hunting methods used out west would just not work here in our dense forests.

Lon started hunting this particular bear when the season commenced on 7 September, typically spending a couple hours in the woods. Lon acquired a great deal of respect and even love for this animal, which seemed to know his the movements and patterns.

After many frustrating weeks and with the season slated to end on a Tuesday, Lon spent time over the weekend out in the woods. Leaving the Viking game at halftime and setting up in a new position on Sunday turned out to be a key decision. With his first view of the bear, Lon decided to set the bow aside and depend on a 90' shotgun blast.

The bear weighed 648 pounds, much larger than the typical 150 pounder taken in Wisconsin, and approaching the 722 pound record bear in the state.

Lon also answered questions about the bow hunting group which controls the deer population in North Hudson and the City of Hudson. So far this year, there have been 44 deer taken. At the [rivervalleydeermanagement.com](http://rivervalleydeermanagement.com) site it is possible to use the “request harvested deer” link to sign up to purchase venison. Unsold venison goes to local food pantries.



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**THE 4-WAY TEST** (first adopted by Rotary in January 1943): Of the things we think, say or do, 1) Is it the TRUTH? 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?  
 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Meetings: Every Thursday (except holidays) at 12:00PM Central Time (Noon) @ Hudson Golf Club on Carmichael Road, Hudson, Wisconsin  
 Known in Hudson as the Noon Club . Club #2177 - in District #5960, Rotary Zone #27, Rotary Area #8. Established 1951.  
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**Our Mission** Hudson Rotary is a fellowship of engaged members, generous in spirit, committed to improving the world around us.

**Our Vision** We are a growing and diverse club of active and involved members. Our meetings offer fun, fellowship, and programs that are informative and inspirational. The ideals of the four-way test are encouraged by open communication among the board of directors, club members and the community. Our leadership structure fosters continuity of club goals. We are dedicated to helping people and non-profit organizations through focused local and international projects. Our club mentors local youth. We support international exchange students and programs. All members are encouraged to contribute to the Rotary Foundation and become Paul Harris Fellows. Above all, our members live Rotary's motto—Service Above Self.