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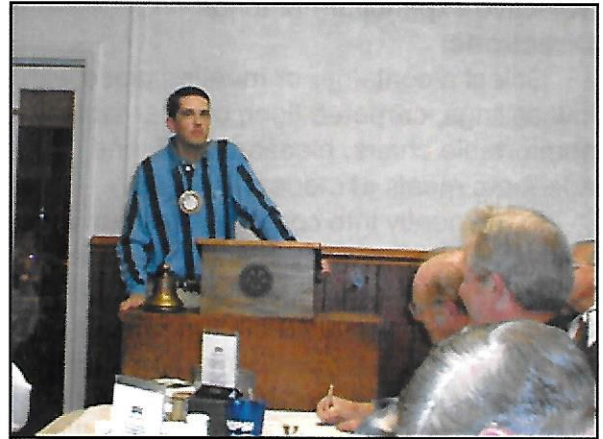
LAST WEEK.....

David Lindsay didn't have to go far to get his guest speaker last week. Robert Lancaster's program was particularly timely. He shared with us his experiences as a business manager for the Carolina basketball team. Robert was always involved with basketball although he has never played. In high school he was a scorekeeper, kept stats, and in general did whatever was needed to support the team. It was only natural that upon arrival at Carolina he filled out the application, was interviewed, and was accepted as one of the fifteen JV basketball managers. He filmed games and in the summer he worked at the basketball camp.

Robert fought hard to become a varsity and as a senior he was given one of the six managerial jobs. Robert describes managing a first-rate varsity basketball team as fun, low-paying and serious business. Managers were required to be at all practices where they set up everything in the locker rooms and on the court and after practice put everything away and washed uniforms. This made it necessary to be at practice an hour earlier and an hour later than the players and coaches (four hours of practice responsibility for four days per week).

During practice, they were kept very busy keeping stats, timing, and making sure the players had their beverages and clean shirts.

Home games meant a pregame meal at a Chapel Hill restaurant, setting up the locker room, filming the game (two cameras) taking care of the players, keeping stats, and manning the scoreboard. After the game, they put things away and washed the uniforms. Away games meant that



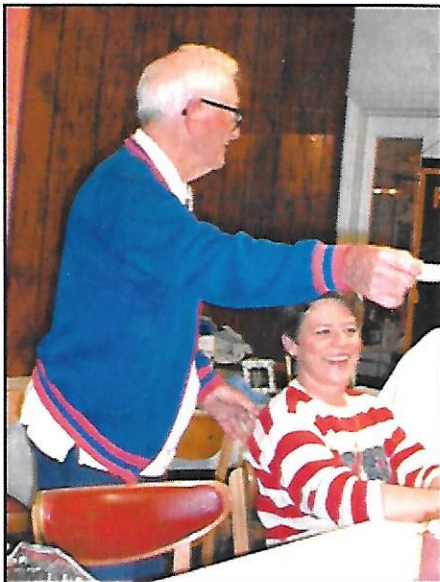
the managers packed the uniforms and equipment and loaded them into the bus before departure. Team and managers traveled dressed uniformly in either a suit or the team warm-up. The managers made sure that there were snacks for the players on the bus.

Upon arrival at the airport, the managers unpacked the bus and loaded the plane (chartered and first-class). Everything was timed perfectly. They stayed in first-class hotels and on the way from the hotel to the game the team bus was given a police escort and never stopped once for a red light.

After the game the managers washed the uniforms, packed the equipment and brought back to the hotel in time to provide snacks for the players before bedtime.

As Robert explained, basketball at Carolina is a serious business. The fans want to win and, apparently, nothing is too good for the basketball team. It is apparent that managing a basket ball team is a big job.

Thanks, Robert!



*Albert introduces visiting
Rotarian.*

COMING SOON

ROTARY OUTING

The rotary clubs of the county will have a joint outing at Jungleland on Wednesday, May 3rd. Look for upcoming details.

RECIPE FOR A ROTARY CLUB

Ingredients:

25 to 30 men and women;
Heaps of fun;
Hours of fellowship;
Successful fund-raising;
Selective expenditure of funds.

Directions:

Select a container or meeting place with low ceilings, carpeted floor, circular tables, comfortable chairs, pleasant staff, and adequate meals at moderate prices.

Place gently into container the men and women. Stir vigorously, blending in as many extroverts as possible. Don't stop stirring. Soon members will be attracted to each other and start talking. If lumps occur, stir more vigorously. When an even consistency has been achieved, ring bell and let settle.

Pour in a structure and purpose, but also add informality and interjections to taste.

Blend two or three fund-raising events and one reliable external money-raising venture.

Sprinkle in a minimum of one fellowship function each month.

Add a president who is not too formal, with a vision for the year.

Mix in a board of people who really want the portfolio they are assigned. All members should be given at least one job per year.

The rising ingredients are: a mixture of a hard-working membership chairman, a relaxed view of rules regarding induction procedure and attendance percentages, a relaxed dress code, and laughter.

Bind this all together with an informative, entertaining bulletin.

Place in oven with a constant temperature generated by 20 percent of the members. Be prepared for it to sink in the middle sometimes because some members will have more important priorities, but realize that as long as the above recipe is strictly followed, members will be proud of their club and will naturally invite other people.

Stand back and watch it rise. Perhaps you should have used a bigger container!

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Vocational Service

April 13th	Tom Noe
April 20th	Kaye Jernigan
April 27th	Council Renfrow

International Service

May 4th	Dick Rogers
May 11th	Bill Standley
May 18th	75TH ANNIVERSARY
May 25th	

Club Service

June 1st	Gordon Thayer
June 8th	Demus Thompson
June 15th	James Walker
June 22nd	Jean Wehrmeister
June 29th	INSTALLATION BANQUET