

NEWS & NOTES

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Smile time

After having dug to a depth of 10 feet last year, New York scientists found traces of copper wire dating back 100 years and came to the conclusion, that their ancestors already had a telephone network more than 100 years ago.

Not to be outdone by the New Yorkers, in the weeks that followed, a California archaeologist dug to a depth of 20 feet, and shortly after, a story in the LA Times read: 'California archaeologists, finding traces of 200 year old copper wire, have concluded that their ancestors already had an advanced high-tech communications network a hundred years earlier than the New Yorkers.

One week later, The Kansas City Star reported the following: After digging as deep as 30 feet in his pasture near Warsaw, Mo , Bubba Brown, a self-taught archaeologist, reported that he found absolutely nothing. Bubba has therefore concluded that 300 years ago, Missouri had already gone wireless.

Just makes you really proud to be from Missouri!!

Rotary Calendar

- Nov. 19** - Old Newsboys Day, 6 a.m., Bread Co.
Dec. 2 - Bell Ringers, 2 to 8 p.m., Wal-Mart.
Dec. 8 - Christmas Banquet, Pitman Center, 6:30 p.m., social; 7 p.m. dinner. (no noon meeting).



Bell ringers. Rotarians Diana Tucker and Pam Lawless ring the bells at Schnucks Nov. 12 for the Salvation Army Christmas Drive. Rotarians will ring bells at Wentzville Wal-Mart Dec. 2. - photo by Dianna Wright

Rotary business items

Club must make new meeting plans

The Wentzville Banquet Center has told President **Donna-Marie Pierre** that it will end its food service by Dec. 31. Thus, Rotary must make new food and meeting place arrangements.

Joel Langston has been reviewing options for the club and will report on what he has learned thus far in today's meeting. It appears likely that the club will need to rent a location for its meeting and have its food catered.

Board endorses plans for senior center

The Board of Directors has endorsed plans of the Wentzville Senior Services Committee to seek community support for a new or expanded senior center.

The Board also called for the creation of a committee to review options and to determine the role that Rotary should take in this effort.

Club moves checking account to HNB

Rotary has moved most of its checking account funds to HNB Bank in Wentzville and will close its account at First Bank as soon as all outstanding checks have cleared.

The Board approved the transfer, which was recommended Accountant **David Agne** and Treasurer **R J Runge**, after they had sought and reviewed proposals by member banks.

HNB offered a year's free checking to the club, among other services.

Board seeks Club approval for donations

The Board of Directors recommends club approval for two donations, including authority to spend up to \$2,000 for clothing and toys (one toy each) for needy children in the Wentzville School District during this holiday season. The Board also seeks approval for a \$1,000 donation to the Crider Center Capital Campaign.