

President's Report
Quota International - Athens, Ohio
March 19, 1995

I was elected president of Quota International of Athens in May 1994. However, because we do not meet from early June to early September, I did not preside over meetings until fall. In June, 1994, the other officers and I did meet to plan meeting dates and organize committees.

Our meetings are held twice a month (first and third tuesdays); the first meeting is business and dinner, and the second is a program (each committee is responsible for one program and dessert).

At each business meeting we have the minutes reported and the treasurer's report circulated. Old and new business is discussed and members are free to bring up any concerns they wish to discuss. Each program, as mentioned previously, is arranged by the committee assigned for that month.

We began our discussions of membership plans in September and decided to send out invitations for a January meeting. In November we filled stockings for the Salvation Army. Our annual Magic Show was held in early December. It has always been very popular, and was so again this year.

Also in December we had our Christmas Dinner at a local restaurant. We had a complete group, except for the honorary member, who is now homebound. We sent her a card signed by everyone and flowers.

In January, a request was received from a local school for funds to cover software for a girl with a progressive eye disease, to be used in school. The request was quite sizeable, but we were able to provide for her use.

In February, the director of a regional detention facility for boys regarding a program which aids in the boys recovery. It is to facilitate care of injured wild animals; the boys help with their care. WE as a group have been invited to the facility to learn more about their program with dinner provided (April 4). We will also be providing funds to aid their program.

Although our last meetings are held in May (our installation of officers is also held in May), the Athens, Lancaster, and Columbus clubs are invited to meet for a meal and program in early June. In June of 1994, our club was responsible for the meeting. A motivational speaker from Ohio University presented an inspiring program which held everyone's attention, and was relevant to our concerns.

WE have a small but strong group of women who want to provide services to our rural county. Although problems and needs from our urban sisters, we too have disabled, many of whom can be

diagnosed by schools and local agencies, funds for needed equipment are impossible for families to provide. WE provide what we can individually or in cooperation with other local organizations.

Because we have so many service clubs in a small population, we have difficulty with recruiting. We can use some help in this area. We need to learn to interest people in joining our group to serve the pressing needs of our rural area. WE have members from all disciplines, and we would like to know how to use our valuable experience to aid our neighbors.

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