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Rountree Elementary was one of the fortunate schools to be involved in the pilot project of the Rotary Club's "Don't Meth with Us" program. The presentation was made to our fifth graders in October of 2010.

Whenever visitors come to a school with a pilot project, the principal is a bit cautious, but within the first five minutes of the presentation, my principal radar relaxed. It was readily apparent the Rotarians were well prepared and had put in many hours of planning and revising. Their use of visual aids, the photographs and kid-friendly language helped keep the students engaged throughout the program. The material presented not only outlined the devastating effects of meth, but did so in such a way that the students will remember much of it for years to come. In addition to the quality presentation, the swag the students received will help them remember the Rotarians' visit.

Thank you to the Springfield Rotary Club Southwest for their time and financial investment in this very worthwhile program. If just one young person is spared the horrors of meth because of the program, it will have been worth it.

With Children in Mind,

David Martin
Principal
Rountree Elementary School

