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Lynn Rotary TIPS

February 10, 2006 News of the Rotary Club of Lynn District 7930

Our Auction April 5

Next Week

February 16

Sally George
Feng Shui

February 23

Elaine Antonakes

March 2

Student Presentations

March 9

Rachael Williams
Earthquake Volunteer

March 23

Capt. Michael Rotstein
Schooner Fame

Bob Kennedy Wins The \$687 Pot!

Two New Members Join Rotary!!

Our 2005-2006 Theme



SERVICE Above Self

Can You Believe It?

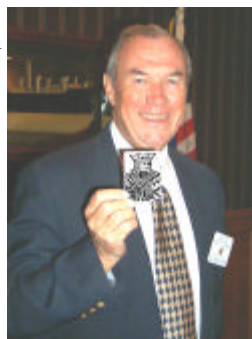
Bob won yet again!! He and Obie did the royal battle and



President Virginia has to start a new deck and a new pot build-up! It was suggested that we again use two decks (but only one joker) to build up the pot totals and the enthusiasm!!

In case you may have forgotten, it was only in August 2004 that Bob won the pot previously!

Amazing!!



Elaine Kurkul Steps Down

as incoming president for next year due to family care-giving necessities that will require a major amount of time. Everyone wishes you the very best Elaine and we all hope you can be our President in a future year.

Elaine is doing a yeoman job as our students of the month coordinator and speakers chair!

Mark Kennard

will be our president for 2006-2007 stepping up to replace Elaine and **Jim Harris** will be our incoming Vice President, being club president for 2007-2008!

Thank you both !!



Two New Members !

AG Linda Williams installed our two newest members Thursday, Cindy Steger-Wilson, Lynn Community Health Center and Andrew T. Phillips with the Boy Scouts of America, Yankee Clipper Council.



Pictured above (l to r) are Major Edgar George sponsor of Andy and Connie Colom, who sponsored Cindy (far right).

Linda nicely touched on many of the important aspects of Rotary life and what will be expected of our new members in the months and years to come!

Be sure to warmly welcome our newest members and sign their welcoming sheets lest the big, bad finemaster hunt you down!!

February Birthdays

Our new members will soon learn about our Birthday Celebrations! Each month we announce the birthdays of our members and those Rotarians are asked to contribute \$10 each toward our Camp Rotary scholarship pot!!

February we celebrate the birthdays of:

Bill Demakis Mark Kennard

Dave Richardson.

Adam Sherman

gave his new member presentation (it used to be called a classification speech)



Adam told us of his love for all sports and those he still is active in. His dad told him in school that he should have a job lined up for



Adam Sherman (Continued)

when he graduated and taking him literally, he started his first job at 7:30 A.M. the next day!

Through rapid advancement and promotions in the credit union field he ended up being a traveling auditor and learned a great deal about how different credit unions functioned in different parts of the country. This valuable information paid off - and his current position with the Brotherhood Credit Union of Lynn is enabling him to make progressive changes in the operations of the business and to keep competitive. They have been in Lynn for 72 years.

He will soon be opening a branch in Clifton, including Brotherhood's first ATM and we will be learning from Adam, I am certain!!

Adam told us he is active in other philanthropic organizations too - he believes deeply in giving back to the community and to the world.

Welcome to our club, Adam!

RYLA - May 12-13-14

Virginia asked Obie how RYLA is coming along in Lynn and Obie had a big, broad smile and said he would report soon!

With Egypt and Niger off list, four polio-endemic countries remain

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative announced that Egypt and Niger are no longer polio endemic since the indigenous form of the virus that causes the disease has not circulated in either country for over 12 months.

This is the first time in three years that the number of polio-endemic countries has fallen, leaving Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan as the only countries that have never stopped indigenous polio transmission.

The initiative's spearheading partners — Rotary International, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF — also announced that this year, the monovalent form of the oral polio vaccine will be the vaccine of choice in all polio-affected areas. Aimed at individual virus strains, the monovalent vaccine will be used to eradicate poliovirus types 1 and 3 during this new phase of immunizations.

"Polio has been endemic in our country for all of recorded history," said Egyptian Health Minister Dr. Hatem Mostafa El-Gabaly. "The best tools of our age finally defeated this enemy who has been with us from Pharaonic times." The monovalent vaccine was used to target type-1 poliovirus circulating in Egypt during vaccination campaigns there in May 2005.

Unlike Egypt, where the challenge to eradication was polio transmission in crowded cities, Niger faced a problem of sparse population, some of it nomadic, scattered over a vast country sharing a heavily traveled border with Nigeria, the world's largest reservoir of the poliovirus. Multiple immunization campaigns were carried out in Niger to ensure children were being vaccinated even in the remotest areas. In 2005, the nine polio cases reported in Niger were all imported from Nigeria.

The success in Egypt and Niger is the result of intense efforts in 2004-05 to halt Africa's polio epidemic and fast-track the introduction of monovalent polio vaccines into selected ar-



"He's good with crops but slow to respond in an emergency."

reas. The number of cases of polio in India and Pakistan in the last quarter of 2005 also fell by more than half compared with the previous year, due to more effective immunization strategies and the use of monovalent vaccine.

"To fully exploit these new tools, government commitment in Nigeria must remain high at all levels to ensure that all children are vaccinated," said Past RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe, of Kano, Nigeria. Ninety percent of Nigeria's polio cases are concentrated in just 8 of the country's 37 states.

This year, in addition to mass immunizations in the four remaining polio-endemic countries, large-scale campaigns with the monovalent vaccine will need to take place in eight countries with reported cases of imported polioviruses.

Incoming Governor Donna Wayman

will be in San Diego California next week for her one-week training sessions as our incoming Rotary leader of 48 clubs!

Previously in Anaheim, this will be Rotary's first year in the newly-chosen location.

GREETERS' SCHEDULE

NEXT MEETING:

February 16 - Jim Harris & Gene Hastings

February 23 - Andrew Phillips & Linda Williams

February 30 - Cindy Steger-Wilson & Jo Ann Noyes