

**Our Auction
April 5 !!**

Next Week

February 23
Elaine Antonakes

March 2
Student Awards

March 9
Rachael Williams
Earthquake Volunteer

March 23
Capt. Michael Rotstein
Schooner Fame

Who Are **YOU** Inviting to Our Auction Party April 5th ?

Our 2005-2006 Theme



SERVICE Above Self

Auction Coupon On Page 3

Your editor has included a copy of our auction party coupon and directions to the K of C Hall at the end of this newsletter! Print it out, fill it in and mail it today! Make a second copy for a friend!

Past Members

Last year it was fun to invite former members of our club who have moved out of the immediate area but who loved the opportunity to come back for a special event such as our auction party!

Who can **you** think of that fits that category? Your editor has most of the names and addresses if there is someone you might like to ask to join you for the evening but do not have his or her current address or telephone.

Next Year's President!

That's right, another time warp has occurred and Jim Harris has volunteered to fill the vacancies caused by Elaine Kurkul and Mark Kennard's inability to serve for the next Rotary Year!

Thank you, Jim!

What a guy!! Jim will be attending PETS training in Nashua March 9 - 11 and will come back with lots of great ideas for our club!

Jim led our meeting Thursday and I overheard one member comment: "He's smooth, isn't he!"

Our Giant Pot

now rests comfortably at \$19!! Rich Cuffe and Art Horgan tried to wrest the money from our treasurer but it didn't work!!

Our First Mailing

to prospective attendees to our auction party will probably go out in a few days. If you had intended to supply names and addresses to Gene for this purpose, kindly do so ASAP so that they can be included in the mailing. This mailing is for attendees, NOT for potential donors.

Feng Shui

Our speaker this week was Sally George who made a very interesting presentation on an old Chinese art. In English it is pronounced something like "fung schway".



Sally explained that when she started her original business of real estate sales she never expected to become a construction consultant or to be called upon to decide "what sells" in a home or office but as

she also honed her interest and skills in a life force called "Chi" she began to incorporate the Feng Shui methods (there are over 15) to assist businessmen and women with their profits!

She explained that the "art of placement" is extremely important in the feeling expressed in a room or an office and that some businesses, to their own amazement, have credited her placement skills of furniture, mirrors and lights to a dramatic increase in business and in some cases, office morale!

She loved the placement of our podium at the Porthole - in a commanding corner where all in the room focused their attention toward the speaker!

Governor-Elect Donna Wayman

sent an Email Thursday that she will be told Friday during the International Assembly for incoming governors in San Diego what next year's official theme will be and will notify us back here in the east !!

Governor Dave Fionda

phoned recently to inquire how many of our members are ready to sign up for our Spring Conference May 19 - 21 on Cape Cod. I hope I can report we will have several!! Remember, the price goes up \$100 after March 31 - so sign up now to insure your spot!!



Our Third Cabin Is Up !!

Our wonderful Camp Rotary is in the news again as our 3rd cabin has been completed in the Junior Boys' Unit.

Dick Boldi grabbed this shot just prior to the big snow storm this past weekend.



There will be a total of 6 new cabins, one of which is for the counselors and/or CITs.

You can see supports in the front area directly behind the trees for another cabin. In the background are the bench seats for a campfire meeting.

Do You Wish To Send A Youngster?

If you would like to send a boy or girl to Camp Rotary this year and help a family that possibly cannot afford to send a child themselves, please contact a member of our club ASAP so that it can be arranged! Some weeks are already sold out!!

Polio network ready to respond to avian flu outbreak

Three cases of a deadly strain of avian influenza were confirmed in chickens in northern Nigeria last week, marking the first appearance of the H5N1 virus in Africa. The World Health Organization immediately responded with offers of aid that take advantage of the country's polio eradication infrastructure.

In a statement released 9 February, WHO Director-General Dr. Jong-wook Lee outlined ways the country's PolioPlus network can support the government of Nigeria during this crisis. Among his suggestions was an offer to make use of the 11-14 February National Immunization Days to distribute information to the public about avian flu. Publicizing the dangers of close contact with sick or dead birds infected with the virus is especially critical in Nigeria, where village households keep free-ranging flocks of poultry as a source for food and income.

Monitoring for human cases, assisting with the collection and transport of diagnostic specimens, and providing avian influenza technical staff with logistical support are some of the other ways the PolioPlus network is ready to help, says Linda Muller, external relations officer for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Host of Rotary center in Thailand is ranked among world-class universities

When the first batch of students starts classes at the Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies program in Thailand, they will be



participants of a specially designed course at a world-class university. The program, newly established at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, opens this July.

Long recognized internationally for its academic excellence, Thailand's oldest university has earned a new accolade. According to the Times Higher World University Rankings 2005, published by the London-based Times Higher Education Supplement, Chulalongkorn is rated 121st among 200 leading universities. Harvard, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Oxford, and Stanford, in descending order, are the top five universities on the list.

"This places [Chulalongkorn] in the same rank as Michigan State University in the [United States] and the Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne in France," Pavich Thongroj, a high ranking education ministry official, told Thailand's Nation newspaper in November 2005.

The Times' list ranks Chulalongkorn as the third-best university in Southeast Asia and the 35th-best university in the Asia Pacific region.

Designed by renowned peace studies academics, the curriculum of the intensive, three-month course at Chulalongkorn is aimed at imparting conflict prevention and resolution skills to middle- and upper-level professionals from the corporate, governmental, and nongovernmental sectors.

GREETERS' SCHEDULE

NEXT MEETING:

February 23 - Andrew Phillips & Linda Williams

March 2 - Cindy Steger-Wilson & Jo Ann Noyes

March 9 - Ilia Stacy & Elaine Kurkul

Save these directions to our wonderful party !!

Directions to Knights of Columbus Hall
177 Lynnfield Street Lynn Telephone: 781 595-9340

From North of Lynn:

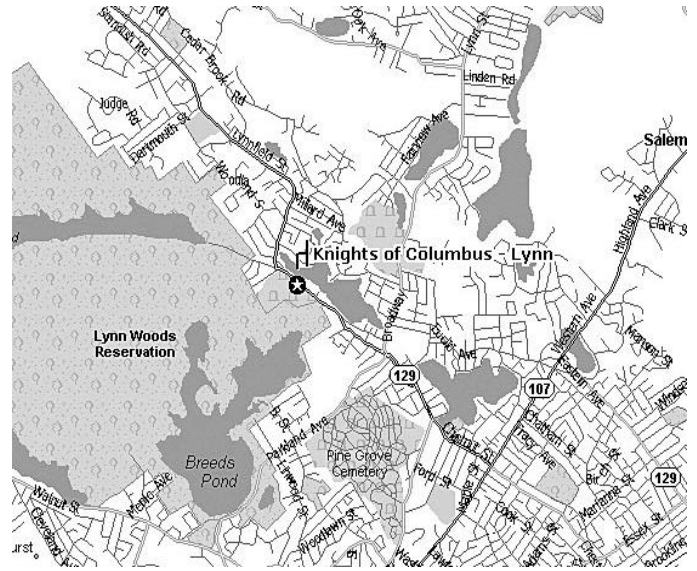
Route 1S, exit to Rt. 129 Lynn. Follow signs for Rt. 129 Lynn. In the traffic circle bear right after the Dunkin Donuts. Follow Rt. 129 toward Lynn for several miles. Go past Union Hospital until the road curves to the left and St. Mary's Cemetery is on your right. Look left and you will see the K of C Hall. We meet in the function hall on the second floor.

From South of Lynn:

Take Rt. 128N to exit 44B to Lynn. Follow signs for Rt. 129 Lynn 1/2 way around a large traffic circle. Bear right after Dunkin Donuts on Rt. 129 toward Lynn. Continue past Union Hospital for several miles until the road curves to the left and St. Mary's Cemetery is on your right. Look left and you will see the K of C Hall. We meet in the function hall on the second floor.

From Lynn Beach:

Take Eastern Avenue to Western Ave. Turn left onto Western Ave. Turn right off Western at Chestnut St. (corner with Mr. Specs) following signs for Rt. 129. Continue to Wyoma Square. At the light proceed straight through onto Lynnfield St. Go about a mile and the K of C Hall will be on your right opposite St. Mary's Cemetery.



Please fill out and return the enclosed coupon
with your check today!

Yes! We will attend this gala evening April 5!!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

No personal information above will be disclosed to others.

Number attending ____ @ \$30 per person TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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**LYNN ROTARY AUCTION PARTY
c/o Gene Hastings
18 Churchill Road
Marblehead, MA 01945**

No tickets will be mailed - your reservations will be held at the door.