

Next Week's
Speaker:

Jeanette
McGarry

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A WIND TURBINE ON THE LYNNWAY?

Our speaker this week was Bob Tina, chief engineer for the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission.



Bob explained the efforts the commission has expended in narrowing down all the possibilities for harnessing wind power to cut the power costs operating the Lynn Water and Sewer plants which pump millions of gallons of material every year.

The cost savings & return on investment is impressive and the improvement in efficiencies that have evolved over the years have made installations practical in many locations throughout the world.

California has huge installations and the newer models are purported to be much more efficient, supplying power in even mild wind conditions.

Bob indicated that a 600 megawatt wind turbine installed in Lynn, with a capacity factor of 40% and operating 8,700 hours per year, has the potential of "removing" over 5 million pounds of pollutants a year when compared to the same amount of electricity generated by conventional methods such as coal or oil.

Lynn's renewable Energy committee includes Loretta Cuffe-O'Donnell, Wayne Lozzi, William Trahan and Peter Capano, all city councilors.

Many locations have been studied and the only practical spot appears to be a site on the Lynnway that is not interfering with air traffic routes to Logan.

To visit the proposed site or to contact Bob, his phone is 781-592-7048, Ext 113.



Bob is now the proud owner of a Lynn Rotary banner!

Did Loretta invite him to join Rotary?

Visitors & Guests

included our speaker and a special guest of Loretta's, Judy Flanagan Kennedy, a former councilor at large.

Also welcomed with much ado was Dave Surface . . . who disappeared quietly before Mark could make a bigger deal out of it!

It was also nice to see Maroli who has been missing recently!

Thursday August 9

Mark, Gene, & probably Adam (who has returned from Wisconsin) will be attending the District Membership event at the Danversport Yacht Club and Mark has invited all members who would like to learn more about getting and keeping members in our club to come!

Our club will pay the admission fee including the cookout - please tell Mark you will join us!

The program runs from 4 to 6 PM and the cookout and fellowship under the tent will be from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.

Our Giant Pot

was attacked by Obie and Rich Brangiforte without success!

None of Our Birthday Gang

was present so they have temporarily escaped the little money box for another week!



Our New Speaker Program

has been set in place. It was voted to NOT solicit outside speakers in August this year - and our September slots are filling fast!

Anyone with a guest speaker idea should submit it to Mark immediately as the spaces are filling quickly.



Jim Harris' Happy Year

as president was amplified Thursday and President Mark presented him with the 2006-2007 Theme Flag that has adorned our podium all year!

The laughter? See how tall Jim has suddenly become!!

Foundation Chair Bhichai Rattakul Resigns

Trustee Chair Bhichai Rattakul has announced that he will resign as chair of The Rotary Foundation Trustees on 1 August



Robert Scott assumes the role of trustee chair on 1 August.

but will continue to serve as a trustee this year. "I made this difficult decision to resign as chairman because of issues related to my health and that of my wife," he said. "I deeply regret any inconvenience this unanticipated change will cause." All of the chairman's speaking engagements after 1 August have been canceled.

In keeping with the Foundation

Bylaws, Trustee Vice Chair Robert S. Scott, of the Rotary Club of Cobourg, Ontario, Canada, will be trustee chair from 1 August through 30 June 2008. A past RI vice president and director, Scott has served RI and the Foundation in many capacities over the years, most recently on the International PolioPlus Committee, which he will continue to chair. He also succeeded Herbert A. Pigman as volunteer director of the highly successful 2002-05 polio eradication fundraising campaign.

In assuming the new leadership role, Scott plans to continue the focus on the 2007-08 Foundation goals to eradicate polio, support the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative, show that peace is possible through support of the Rotary Centers for International Studies, and reconnect with Foundation alumni. "I worked closely with Chairman Bhichai when he developed these goals, and I strongly support all of them," Scott said.

Rotary Peace Scholars Programs Modified

The fine-tuning continues for The Rotary Foundation's two peace programs: the five-year-old Rotary World Peace Fellowships and the year-old Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies.

To help increase the applicant pool, multi-country districts now can submit more than one application to the two-year graduate Rotary World Peace Fellowships program, said Rotary Centers Committee member Carolyn Schuetz. Initially, each district could propose only one applicant, but this policy created some disadvantages, especially for multi-country districts in places where Rotary would like to encourage more applicants, such as Africa. As before, districts can propose as many qualified applicants for the Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies program as they wish.

Another development is that applicants now can be sponsored by districts outside their home area, given that some parts of the world don't have a Rotary club. Changes also have been made to the length of some of the programs. Several were shortened to improve their curriculum, help students move through them more quickly, and assist with budgeting issues, said Schuetz. The program was reduced from 24 to 15 months at the University of Bradford in Bradford, England; from 21 to 18 months at the Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina; and from 21 to 16 months at the University of Queensland in Brisbane, Australia.

In addition, the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution are now located at six rather than seven sites. Sciences Po in Paris no longer has a center. There are now six Rotary Centers at seven universities, including one shared between Duke University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

GREETERS' SCHEDULE

NEXT MEETING:

August 2 - Jerry Bovardi & Bill Hill

August 9 - Bob Hastings & Maria Bazzi

August 16 - Breakfast Meeting at NSCC