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Lynn Rotary TIPS

July 29, 2005 News of the Rotary Club of Lynn District 7930

Upcoming Programs

Next Week:

SURPRISE !!

August 25

PDG Dave Drislane & Topsfield Guru Harry Martin

EVERY ROTARIAN
US \$100
EVERY YEAR

Why Attend An International Convention?

Lynn Rotary at My Brothers Table This Monday August 1

To date we have these 15 volunteers signed up. Please let President Virginia know if you can help if your name is not on this list!!

Virginia & Bob, Connie Colom, Jo Ann Noyes, Bob Hastings, Gene Hastings, Art & Janice Horgan, Maryanne Rooney, Bob Kennedy (4), Rich Cuffe and Ron Johanson.

Your Speaker This Week Was Gene Hastings

I was asked by President Virginia to tell about our Centennial Convention in Chicago.

Yours truly presented an overview of Rotary's annual conventions - after all, it was Clara and my 11th such event and why would anyone want to do that? I tried to explain!

The main reason is the fellowship and seeing old friends from around the world - which we did! There is so much to learn about the world



of Rotary that it can be difficult to imagine unless you have seen it yourself. There were over 300 booths from individual Rotary Clubs & Rotary Districts plus commercial vendors who were selling wonderful Rotary products!

Over 47 thousand Rotarians and friends were in attendance. It was massive in every respect.

There were breakout sessions all afternoon daily throughout the convention featuring presentations by knowledgeable people who are dedicated to Rotary and its many and varied programs in addition to a giant "plenary" session every morning seating several thousand!

Thanks to the availability of our district

Our 2005-2006 Theme



SERVICE Above Self

LCD projector I was able to show a few of the digital photos taken at the convention - I used a converted PowerPoint presentation format to do that.

Next year it is Sweden - please join us!

Two small world departments!

Bill Simpson reminded us that he, too attended an International Convention - in Paris! This was the year Bill was a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar!!

And . . . when we were in Chicago our tour bus leader to the Frank Lloyd Wright house in Oak Park was formerly from Swampscott and was a graduate of St. Mary's High and knew Maryanne Rooney!!

Jim Harris Wins The Pot!



Michele Desmarais' ticket was held by Bob Kennedy but Jim won the \$341!

Congrats, Jim !!

Thank You, Camp Rotary!



As announced last week, \$5,000 from Camp Rotary, Inc. was donated to our club to enable us to continue sending youngsters to camp via scholarship assistance and to help with our club finances.

Making the presentation was Camp Rotary treasurer Arthur Horgan, left, and Camp Rotary President, David Richardson.

Nick Sarantopoulos will be attending the District Membership Seminar Monday as our membership committee member. Thank you, Nick! Chair for our district is Brad Ford, a member of the Rotary Club of Amesbury.



Puzzle of the Week Whose Feet Are These?



One of our local Rotary clubs has an occasional puzzle - they publish photos of their members feet or legs or combination and then ask members to identify the Rotarian!

I thought "hey, we can do that too!" So here is our first puzzle!

Do You Have Some Ideas for our Weekly Program Speakers?

Thanks to the hard work of Elaine Kurkul we are lining up some nice presentations for September but need some assistance for August! Last year Bill Simpson pitched in and single-handedly took over our speaker procurement spot. Thanks, Bill!

We should not leave everything to Elaine so if you have some ideas, please let her know!

New Member Proposal

was received this week by the nomination committee. He is Jerry Bovardi, formerly a member of Danvers Rotary. Jerry is a member of Century Bank and is being proposed by Rich Cuffe.

Visitors

this past week were Bill Ives from Salem Rotary and Jerry Bovardi who lives in Ipswich.

President Virginia

this week told us a bit about the formation of Interact and Rotract clubs associated with Rotary. These are clubs of boys and girls from about age 14 through 30 who love public service and do some wonderful work throughout the world. In the USA they often are associated with schools and colleges but in other parts of the world they can be community organizations not connected to educational institutions.

Winchester's Interact club is such a club and has been quite successful by being independent of schools and teachers.

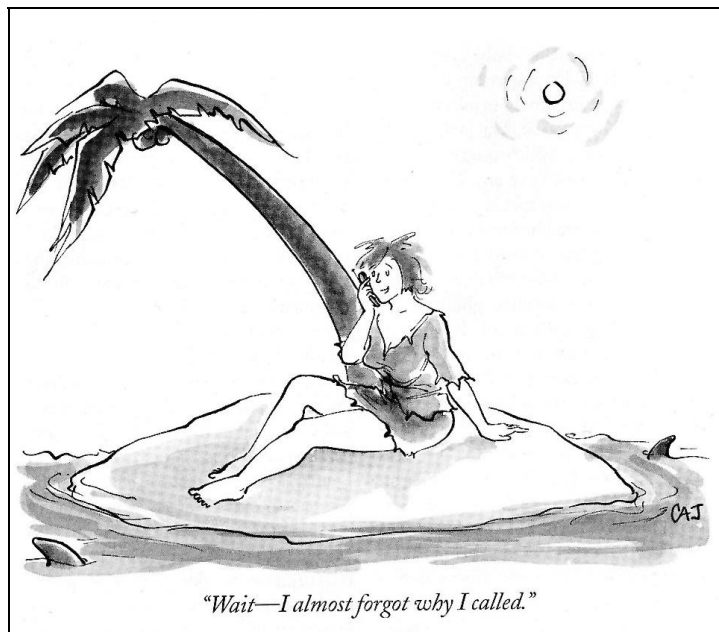
Thanks to Bob Risch

for a fun time of fining our exhausted members Thursday !!

Sudan NIDs target nearly six million children

Close to six million children under the age of five were targeted during a crucial round of national immunizations against polio in all of Sudan's 26 states, 8-18 July.

About 40,000 volunteers, including members of the country's only Rotary club, the Rotary Club of Khartoum, went to great lengths, sometimes riding on camels and donkeys, to reach children in hard-to-access regions where roads are practically nonexistent as a result of 22 years of war and economic



decline.

"It was the fifth National Immunization Day this year. Two more are planned for this calendar year," says Sohaib Elbadawi, chair of Sudan's national PolioPlus committee. "We had to hold most of them before heavy rains and floods make it impossible to travel."

Although immunization activities went without any war-related disruption in much of the country, thanks to a peace agreement between the government and a major rebel group, the Sudan People's Liberation Army, a United Nations appeal for a cease-fire in Darfur was ignored in parts of the region.

"We've worked under more difficult circumstances - the vehicles of our partners have been ambushed and hijacked or shot at during past NIDs," says Elbadawi. "But the security situation has improved considerably, and this is probably the most successful immunization of all the 13 NIDs we have undertaken since Rotary started providing support."

Despite the protracted civil war, Sudan managed to stop transmission and was declared polio-free in 2001, but a new case of the disease was reported near the border with Chad in May 2004. Now, 152 cases have been confirmed in 18 states, creating fears of reinfection of other polio-free countries.

GREETERS' SCHEDULE

NEXT MEETING:

August 4 - Rich Cuffe & Bob Kennedy

August 11 - Elaine Kurkul & Michele Desmarais

August 18 - Bob Hastings & Connie Colom