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Lynn Rotary TIPS

July 3, 2008 News of the Rotary Club of Lynn District 7930

Our Summer Speakers Program Schedule Will Soon Begin!

If you have a suggestion please contact Loretta at 781-599-1450!

**EVERY ROTARIAN
US \$100
EVERY YEAR**

HAPPY 4TH !



Our 08-09 Rotary Theme

Our First Program

of the new Rotary Year started with President Michelle introducing our new Assistant Governor, Julie Livingston!



Until a few days ago, Julie has been the president of the Rotary Club of Marblehead so she is quite familiar with the area!

Dave Richardson

presented an overview of Camp Rotary! Dave is president of Camp Rotary, Inc., the owner of our wonderful camp!

Our Big Raffle

is struggling to pay out our nearly \$250 pot but Dave Richardson and Bob Dugas did not succeed!

The Wall That Heals

Dave Richardson and Jim Harris have raffle tickets for the fundraiser to bring the mobile **Vietnam Memorial** to Fraser Field in Lynn. The raffle prize are 2 pairs of Red Sox vs. Yankees tickets for the game in Boston Sunday September 28th. Drawing will be July 29 at Fraser Field. The event is sponsored by Solimine Funeral Homes.

On Veterans Day 1996, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund unveiled a half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., designed to travel to communities throughout the United States.

"Bringing The Wall Home" to communities throughout our country allows the souls enshrined on the Memorial to exist, once more,



among family and friends in the peace and comfort of familiar surroundings. The traveling exhibit, known as The Wall That Heals, allows the many thousands of veterans who have been unable to cope with the prospect of "facing The Wall" to find the strength and courage to do so within their own communities, thus allowing the healing process to begin.





The rest is simple. Make a plan, involve everyone in your club to get out into your community and ask, ask, ask! Ask people to join Rotary, to share what you have and what you're getting out of being a Rotarian.

We have just returned from the Los Angeles International Convention's Membership booth and were thrilled with the number of folks who dropped by to share their stories and ideas about membership -- ideas of evening clubs and drive-through clubs, stories of 200% Paul Harris Clubs and so much more. There is an abundance of fertile Rotary minds in our midst and we are convinced that if we all put our minds to increasing membership in our Rotary world, we can do it. **We can make our Rotary Dreams Real.**

Our Farewell to The Troops

On June 30, we completed our assignments as your current **Regional Rotary International Membership Coordinators** and now introduce your new team. Dave Benson turns Zone 31 responsibilities over to incoming RRIMC Mark Kriebel from the Endwell, NY Rotary Club and Joe Dino turns over Zone 32 responsibilities to RRIMC Dan Spencer from the Gloucester City, NJ Rotary Club.

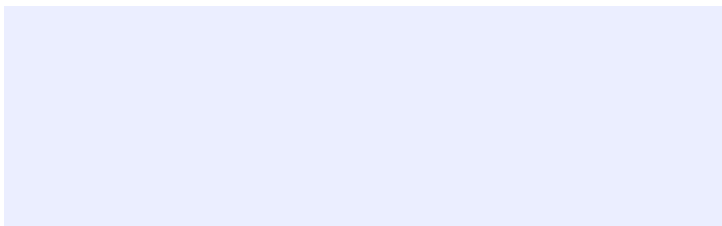
We wish to thank membership newsletter editor Merry Lee Corwin for the many hours she has spent researching, following up on leads and writing articles to bring you these information-packed newsletters over the past two years. Our hats go off to her for all her hard work and dedication to Rotary membership.

Dave Benson, RRIMC, Zone 31
Joe Dino, RRIMC, Zone 32

Quote of the month:

"If we always do it the way we've always done it, we'll always get what we've always got."

Who can YOU introduce to Lynn Rotary?



GREETERS' SCHEDULE

- July 10 - Cindy Steger-Wilson & Adam Sherman
- July 17 - Jerry Bovardi & Elaine Kurkul
- July 24 - Bill Simpson & Jan Reardon

Please remember, Greeters have to BREAK DOWN also !!

We all remember the 1989 movie Field of Dreams with Kevin Costner and James Earl Jones. The Voice tells Ray (Costner) to "build it and they will come," referring to building a baseball field to which crowds would come.

The same can be said for a Rotary Club. Yes, we've said many times that building a great Rotary Club is the key to membership. Before you can expect to attract and retain members, your Rotary club must be vibrant, energetic, exciting, involved and relevant.

There are so many stories of clubs having a hard time attracting new members and slowly dwindling, Rotarians leaving and clubs failing. We find that most of these clubs are not much more than a meal with some semblance of organization, but very little individual involvement, few guest speakers and more often than not, no happy dollars or fine-master. We frequently see the same old seating pattern and hear comments about club cliques.

So what have we learned this year? To make sure that your club is an event you don't want to miss and know that anyone you invite to join you will feel the same way.

I loved my work and rarely took a day off. Why? I didn't want to miss anything. I wanted to be with my co-workers. They were my family and we all enjoyed what we did. Our work was exciting. Well, isn't that what our Rotary club is supposed to be -- a place we want to be, a place where we're with our Family of Rotary and a place filled with activities that we look forward to and from which we draw satisfaction?