

THE EYE OPENER



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Breakfast Rotary—Jefferson City, MO

June, 2002

Every Wednesday 7:00 am Capital Plaza Hotel Jefferson City, MO

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Jo's Jargon

OFFICER INSTALLATION PICNIC

The Rotary year begins July 1st. Our club has traditionally observed installation of officers for the new year prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. We will maintain that tradition for this year. We will meet at Ellis Porter Park Tuesday, June 18th at 6:00 p.m. The club will barbecue hamburgers and hot dogs and maybe even brats and chicken breasts! We will ask members to bring salads and desserts. If the first initial of your last name begins with letters A through L, please bring a salad or vegetable. If the first initial of your last name begins with letters M through Z, please bring a dessert. This is a family event and we would encourage everyone to bring his or her entire family.

ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

Rotary guidelines state that in order to be a member in good standing, the member must attend a minimum of 60% of the meetings. If the member is unable to attend meetings of their home club, they are allowed "make-ups". Make-ups are the member's attendance at another Rotary club meeting. The Club Secretary is required to submit an attendance report to the District by the 10th of each month. It is vital that you turn in your make-up information to the Secretary promptly. We had a system devised whereby attendance at one of the Jefferson City area clubs was monitored by a sign up sheet that was faxed by each club to the other local clubs. We know for sure our Secretary is diligent in providing the information to the other clubs, however, we are not certain the accuracy of the information provided to us about our members attending one of their meetings. To insure accuracy, please let Dan McPherson

Annual Picnic & New Officer Installation

Ellis Porter Park

Tuesday, June 18th
6:00 p.m.

A-L (Salad/Veggies) - M-Z (Dessert)

universe of polio by the year 2005. Naturally, funds are needed to advance the cause. The area clubs have agreed to designate Polio Plus as the beneficiary of this year's tournament. Not only is it a worthy cause, but also we wanted to support the incoming District Governor. I am certain there will be opportunities to volunteer to help with the event and as soon as I am made aware of them, I will share them with you.

DATE CHANGE FOR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Our regularly scheduled June Board meeting has been changed to June 17th at 5:00 p.m. at Evers & Company, CPA's LLC, 520 Dix Road. Any member is welcome to attend.

FAREWELL TO JO'S JARGON

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AREA CLUBS ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The date has been set for our annual golf tournament. It will be held June 10th at Eagle Knoll golf course. District Governor Elect Duane Benton has announced one of his major emphasis projects will be Polio Plus. You may recall that eradication of polio has been a theme of Rotary International for a long, long time. There is now a goal to completely rid the

been proud of all of the accomplishments you as members of the Breakfast Rotary Club have made. I really do not know that all of you realize what a great group of members we have. I cannot think of one instance when I asked someone to manage a project or handle a task that someone did not agree to accept the assignment. This year has gone by fast. I was concerned about the effects tax season might have on my Presidential duties. The support and help I received from all of you allowed me to get through "busy season" with seemingly little difficulty. I hesitate to start recognizing everyone who contributed to our accomplishments because I am certain I would inadvertently fail to recognize someone. Thanks again for making my job so easy. I look forward to Rob's year as President and am sure he will challenge us to new and different projects and goals. Thank you for affording me the opportunity to serve as your President.



June Programs

June 5 - Representative Bill Gratz

June 12 - Marketing for Rotary Clubs
Tony Hiesberger

June 19 - No program -- annual picnic

June 26 - Missouri Division of Tourism
Tracey Berry

AREA CLUBS
ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT



Monday, June 10th
Eagle Knoll

Proceeds Benefit
Rotary's Polio Plus Program

Foundation selected as recipient of Gates Award for Global Health

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on 20 May announced its selection of The Rotary Foundation as the recipient of the 2002 Gates Award for Global Health. The \$1 million award recognizes Rotary's leadership and impact in the field of public health, most notably its efforts to eradicate polio by 2005.

The Gates Foundation commended Rotary for contributing more than \$462 million toward polio eradication and mobilizing more than one million Rotarians to help immunize more than two billion children against polio in 122 countries. It also lauded Rotary for its health and welfare projects around the world, including a revolving loan program to help women in Uganda break the link

Presidential World Peace Forums Engage Rotarians in Three Countries

Rotary International President Richard King used the Presidential World Peace Conference, held March 5-6 in Cairo, Egypt, to urge Rotarians worldwide to help Rotary grow and become an even more potent force for peace. "Rotary International is in the business of helping mankind, and the business of mankind involves humanitarian service and fostering peace in every corner of the globe," he said.

The conference was the premier event in the Rotary International World Peace Forums, which included Presidential World Peace dinners in Amman, Jordan, and in the Turkish cities of Ankara, Istanbul and Izmir. Total attendance for the Presidential World Peace Forums was about 1,900. President King reminded the Cairo participants that Rotary International is the largest nongovernmental organization - more than 1.2 members in 162 countries - dedicated to the principle of world understanding.

Dr. Moufeid Shehab, Egyptian minister for higher education and scientific research, welcomed the participants on behalf of First Lady Suzanne Mubarak, an honorary Rotarian. She was unable to attend the conference because she was in the United States with her husband, President Hosni Mubarak, on a separate peace mission.

A highlight of the conference was a plenary session that included representatives of Egypt's two principal religions, Islam and Christianity. Mostafa El Feki, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Egyptian People's Assembly, moderated the session. "Christianity refuses violence," Coptic Bishop Picenti said in published reports.

"One cannot fight for human rights by using inhuman means."

Ahmed Kamal Abou El-Magd, a well-known Muslim intellectual, gave his opinion: "Religion and dialogue are badly needed. There is no substitute for them."

Both speakers emphasized that their religions are committed to peace and cooperation and opposed to war and violence as a means of solving disputes. They were later joined by an American from Seattle, Steve Bachrach, a spokesman for Jews in the United States who are working for a nonviolent resolution to the Middle East conflict. President King encouraged the participants to help the rest of the world - especially the United States - better understand the current situation in the region.

between AIDS and chronic poverty, a project to provide free tuberculosis screening and treatment for children in the Philippines, and a major educational campaign to reduce the incidence of parasitic disease that reached more than 2.4 million children with more than 350,000 being treated for parasites.

"The Rotary Foundation is truly deserving of recognition for its exemplary achievements in the field of global health," said Bill Gates Sr., co-chair and chief executive officer of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Gates Sr. will present the award to Rotary Foundation Trustee Chairman Luis Vicente Giay during the annual conference of the Global Health Council in Washington, D.C., on 30 May

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