

Mountain Foothills Rotary of Evergreen, CO.

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----CHECK THE SITE OFTEN!!!

Wednesday August 1, 2007

Mt. Vernon Country Club

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I attended the Presidential Membership Conference Friday night and Saturday at the Sheraton in Denver. I am always amazed at the conferences that Rotary holds and the tremendous amount of planning that they do to put on a top notch conference. Once again the speakers were on target and kept us laughing and interested while they gave us information pertinent to membership retention or obtaining new members. Our Rotary International President Wilf Wilkinsen, several Past Rotary International Presidents, Past District Governors, our Current Rotary International General Secretary and a statistician combined to give us information about Rotary Membership, the loss of 17,000 members over the last 5 years (in the US) and why it is so important to think about adding a member or two to every Rotary Club over the next year. It is obvious that fewer members, means fewer hands to help and fewer dollars to spend to help in what ever way we deem necessary. Rotary is 102 years old....let's not ignore this problem and take a chance on losing Rotary and all it does for the world, let alone our community.

Stop and thinkwho do you know that you would like to ask to consider joining our group?

Judi Q

SOME ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bob Jones is now on the Board of Directors of ECHO, taking the place of our esteemed Jim Rohrer. On August 21 they are hosting their "Make A Bed" event, tickets available through Bob J.

The Brazilian is coming...!! Kay and Steve said Bruno arrives August 19. Let's make sure he is welcomed as one of our own. Keep Bruno in mind for any activity you might like to include him. Hopefully we'll see him Wednesday the 22nd at our meeting!

CRUTCHES 4 AFRICA, update

The email has been coming in fast and furious! Medshare in Atlanta is very excited about this project and is seeking avenues that they can assist in the collection process there. I am working one Rotary connection there with an eye to making more

connections in the near future.
This next excerpt is from, well read on and you will see...

Hi, my name is Brooke Morgan and I am a physical therapist in upstate New York. Recently a patient was telling me about her daughters trip to Africa and the experiences she had with people who have post-polio syndrome. She was telling me how desperate they are for crutches and has the desire to donate her pair in a few weeks when she is through with them. After hearing her story I was very moved and thought about all the patients we see on a regular basis who just throw their crutches away or into a corner where they are forgotten about. I am very interested in finding out how we can do a crutch drive in our area and help the people in need.

So last nights information from Rich was well timed as we may be able to coordinate this effort with the Saratoga club that Rich spoke about. Two more drive information requests have come in from CA today...

Dave

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bob Pasco shared the news that new legislation passed by the Senate and now in the House allows Veterans and past military service members not in uniform to salute the flag. Veterans and service members continue representing the military services even when not in uniform.

***Mike Jacoby says that the MALT Night in the Park will take place on Sat. Aug. 18th at Alderfer - 3 Sisters again.

***Tickets for Bootstraps Mini Cooper Raffle and the Deluxe Rail Trip are now available from Bob Z. \$100 a pop. (if all tickets are sold, your chances are still 1 in 375!!!!!! To win a fabulous prize)

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PROGRAM

"Hydrogen Transportation"

Mike Duffy PhD., from NREL/Battelle Memorial Institute was our speaker this evening. We're all looking for that inexpensive fuel, the fuel that will not pollute our air, deplete our natural resources, the answer is ..."Hydrogen."

There are some other forms of inefficient fuel for our vehicles, popular now are, bio-fuels, but they are a short term solution. The truly long-term solution is (H) hydrogen, because the source can be from water.

Our oceans provide a source of needed water and through the use of nuclear power plants on the coasts

we can produce fresh water for electrolysis and drinking water. A major difficulty with hydrogen fuel cells is their storage capabilities, should have at least a 300 mile range.

Several auto companies are active in this process, GM, BMW, Mercedes, Honda...Mike said there is a great BMW 700 series out there with hydrogen fuel cell for a mere \$1,000,000!!

Misc. info.

-Fuel cells are 50% efficient vs an internal combustion engine at 20%.

-1 kg of H is equivalent to 1 gal. of gas @ \$3.00

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

AUGUST - Membership

8 Ben Cannon, "Enabling Technology"

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29 RYLA and YoungRYLA students will talk about their adventures this summer at the camps.

Tom Hale is our NEWEST Program Chair, asks that all members please advise him of any potential speakers for our group. Please contact Tom at 303-674-9422 or mlthale@comcast.net

PLANNING AHEAD:

Sat. Aug. 18th MALT Night in the Park

January 2008 Blood Drive

GUESTS:

Mary Lou Hale, John McGeary as guest of Larry, Martha Z.

VISITING ROTARIANS:

ROTARY MAKE-UPS ARE FUN, EASY AND ENCOURAGED!

Note: New eClub One URL for make-ups (Book Mark It!)
eClubOne, www.rotaryclubone.org (7 x 24 x 365). Be sure to get a printout to turn in for meeting credit.

Some Nearby Rotary Clubs:

Evergreen Rotary, Friday, 7:00 am - El Rancho Restaurant
Conifer Rotary, Tuesday, 7:00 am - Mountain Resource Center
Golden Rotary, Tuesday, 7:15 am - Rolling Hills Country Club
Lakewood, Tuesday, 7:15 am - Lakewood Heritage Center
Lakewood Foothills, Tuesday, 12:10 pm - Warren Tech Center
South Jefferson County, Tuesday, 7:15 am - Fox Hollow Country Club

Clear Creek County , Friday, 7:00 am - Rocky Mountain Village , Empire
Gilpin County Peak to Peak, Thursday, 12:00 pm - Farraday's Rest., The Isle of
Capri Casino, 401 Main St. , Black Hawk

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Sweetland, columnist and author

Bob Zavodsky, Editor
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