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of President DeLisle

This Week's Guest Speaker	Upcoming Events
Chad Blanchard Reservoirs and Rivers of the Truckee Meadows www.troa.net TROA Truckee River Operating Agreement	Mar 15 Rotaract Wine Tasting Fundraiser Mar 21 Amy Foote-RYLA Mar 28 Tad Dunbar - "Ask Tad" Apr 4 Dave Wathen - Water Rights Apr 4 - 5 District Leadership Assembly - Reno

March 7 Meeting Wrap Up and Announcements!!

- Martha Greene tried to sell Brian a purse hook....but then choose another vocation in her retirement (read more on page 2)
- Father Karry received his much delayed and traveled Paul Harris.
- President Brian's demotion party has been scheduled for June 28th at the Sparks Elks Club.
- Jody Ruggerio from Tune Into Kids stopped by to visit our club. Jody was our guest speaker on February 1st. President Brian presented Jody and Tune Into Kids with a $100.00 donation.
- Jon Greene Rang bell for The International Conference he attended for RYE.
- Brian DeLisle was fined $10.00 for messing up Mardi Gras date!

Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary!	Club Anniversaries	The Pot
Tommy Tucker March 17 Birthday **Ron Simpkins March 22 Wedding Anniversary** **Ask them how the plan to celebrate?**	**As Membership Chair, Thom Collins would like to know why we do not have any Club Anniversaries this week!**	**$280** **Take a chance** **Buy a Raffle Ticket**

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Get to know your fellow Sunrise Members!

Martha Greene recently retired from the Washoe County Library System.
Martha quickly decided to seek employment.
As your curious editor, I asked her why? Her is her answer...

Why in the World?

I retired from Washoe County Library System 9 months ago. Last Friday I signed a contract to teach ESL at the Adult Basic Education division of TMCC.

Why in the world would I do that? It was a natural progression for me. My two passions in life are languages and learning.

I learned German by the total immersion method in Stuttgart and remember how scary the first few months were until I knew the language. This experience taught me empathy for others who can't communicate in the local language. Later I studied Spanish and French in school and currently am teaching myself Polish. That's one passion.

Learning is my other passion. I am a curious person and love discovering new information.

For the past few months I have been learning how to teach English as a Second or Other Language (TESOL). Once I completed that certificate I was ready to apply to teach ESL.

The ABE division teaches English as a Second Language to around 1300 students in 5 to 7 week sessions. Classes meet 4 days a week for two hours. There are classes from 8 in the morning until 9 in evening. The division administrators would like to offer more classes because there are long waiting lists of people desperate to learn English. The number of classes is determined by the amount of federal grant money available for this purpose. It is expected that students will be functionally bi-lingual after attending classes for 2 years. Students vary from those who dropped out in grammar school to those who have professional degrees in their native country. All want to understand and be understood in their adopted country.

By teaching ESL I get to combine my two passions. Plus, being an enthusiastic Rotarian I feel teaching these new residents our language is a way to build better understanding as well as helping to fulfill Rotary's literacy goals.

District Conference Thoughts from Ron Rehn

"The Greatest Show on Earth". Well, maybe the "Greatest 5190 District Conference in Reno".
See and experience Conference fun at the NEW Peppermill Convention Center in the NEW Tuscany Tower.
Enjoy a tasty Friday luncheon as a great Reno Sunrise make up. Attend the afternoon breakout sessions then dress in tropical attire for the "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" evening. Through out the Conference, experience Great Food, Club Awards, Fellowship, Club Displays in the 'House of Friendship' room, Entertainment, Dynamic Speakers, Real Time Rotary News reports from distant places, More fun, and conclude Saturday with dinner and music.Then on Sunday morning, another first, the RYE and Interact 'Youth Showcase'. Your districts RYE members and Interactors from our districts' Interact Clubs. We have all been to all the other Casinos for Conferences but nobody has been here as I has just been built!.

As the ad says " What happens at the Conference should be happening to YOU"
For more info call 775-322-0471 or just register on line at www.rotarydistrictconference.org