



New Location: Airport Plaza Best Western

RECAP OF RECENT MEETINGS

Reporter: Martha Greene

Past District Governor Wyn Spiller spoke to the club about *Future Vision*, the new strategic plan of The Rotary Foundation. The *Future Vision* plan is designed to focus TRF's efforts for the greatest return on resources and effort. Proposed programs will be judged against the standards of sustainability, stewardship and significance. Big changes are coming in procedures for grants and in how Group Study Exchange is formulated.

Caleb Cage, the Director of the Nevada Office Veterans Services was our speaker on Nov. 5. He gave us some insight into his challenges as the new director.

Carol Slater, Nu-skin distributor, talked to us about the Nu-skin program called Nourish the Children.

Rotaract president Kaitlynn Cooper presented information about Rotaract in general and the Reno Rotaract Club in particular. Reno Sunrise is one of the sponsoring Rotary clubs for this 4 year old Rotaract club.

POLIOPLUS AND THE ZONE INSTITUTE

Reporter: Martha Greene

Sept. 30 through Oct. 3rd Jon and I attended the Zone Institute in Bellevue, WA.

In Rotary a Zone includes several Districts. Two zones are represented by one Director. Our District is in Zone 25. The director for our Zone and Zone 26 is John Blount. He sits on RI's Board of Directors which makes decisions on RI policy.

The Zone Institute we attended included the governor elects, governor nominees, current district governors and past district governors from all districts in the two zones. The current district governors are allowed to invite guests to the Institute and Jon and I were invited guests of DG Steve Lewis.

The Institute is similar to the International Convention because the speakers are the top executives at their organization. However, the Zone Institute is much smaller and the speakers and Rotary officials are very, very accessible. Case in point: I attended a break-out session about Rotary Action Groups. There was one moderator and 50 people in

the audience. After I sat down, Ray Klingensmith (current RI President) sat down next to me. He is a special guy who acts like a regular guy and we had a nice conversation about his visit to our District conference next June.

One of the speakers at the Zone Institute was Dr. Bruce Aylward with the World Health Organization (WHO). He is in charge of all the organization's eradication programs. He talked about our PolioPlus program in glowing terms. I enjoyed what he had to say because it was new information.

Smallpox is the only virus ever eradicated worldwide, polio will be the second.

One of the three types of polio virus has already been defeated.

When Rotary speaks WHO listens. In 2008 Rotary made it very clear that a new strategy was needed. 2010 was the beginning of that new strategy in the fight against polio. It's a bivalent vaccine and it is working.

Rotary is vital to the successful eradication of polio. Our donations and volunteers allowed for the first test of the new strategy and for the first response to the outbreak in Tajikistan earlier this year.

Dr. Aylward ended with this comment, "We must find and vaccinate every child. Polio will find every child we don't. We have been fighting polio worldwide for about 30 years; polio has been around for at least 5000 years".

If you are ever invited to attend a Zone Institute don't hesitate to say YES.

RENO SUNRISE FOOTPRINTS

Reporter: Linda Tuxon

On a quest to document our last project, the opportunity presented itself to add a little more interest to just the photos of the benches purchased with our last Matching Grant. Sue Parks, principal at Virginia Palmer allowed me to take a picture of Betty Buchler hard at work.



A POSITIVE PERSPECTIVE

Reporter: Keith Weeks

After accepting Chris Cook's gracious invitation to the speaking engagement of Brian Westbury, I attended, gained some insight, and had a great time. To say the least, it was an invigorating change from the Chicken Little doomsday suppositions and negative political rhetoric.

Brian Westbury is ranked as one of America's top economists and is a regular contributor on CNBC and in the Wall Street Journal. He recently wrote a book titled "It's Not as Bad as You Think." Brian's perspective is to look at the "other side of the coin" when it comes to our economy.

His viewpoint is extremely positive and confident that America will continue to strive and prosper. Brian spoke of how the press continues to over dramatize the state of the economy creating fear. He used statistics and probability rather than complicated calculus based economic formulas to present his concept. "Sidebar your Honor." Several top mathematicians are suggesting that calculus no longer be the pinnacle of the mathematical hierarchy and be replaced by Statistics and Probability. Thus taking math from analog to digital as its application would serve us better daily.

Brian's speech was very intriguing and made me think back to 2008. Figuratively speaking, one day our economy was on the top shelf and the next morning it was face down in the gutter next to an empty book of matches. So to summarize, Brian's analysis was based on statistics, non-political, very positive, and uplifting.

Perhaps you are wondering how this all applies to Rotary? Our individual perspectives of the economy and our country's solidity are irrelevant. No matter how intense the apprehension of what tomorrows brings...Rotarians continue to care and more importantly, continue to give.



Wyn Spiller, PDG (past district governor)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 4, Bell ringing for Salvation Army, see Jim Gerhard for details

Dec. 11, 6pm, holiday party at La Vecchia, see Virginia for dinner choices

April 21, 2011, Rotarians at Work Day

May 15, 2011, Clay Shoot fundraiser

May 22-25, RI International Convention, New Orleans

June 10 -12, District 5190 conference, Atlantis Hotel/Casino

September 18, 2011; Sierra Rotary Edible Century Ride

CLUBS FOR MAKE-UP

Monday

Reno – Harrah’s - 12:00 PM
Incline Village – Parasol Foundation - 12:15 PM
New Generations Club – The Grill, Eldorado 6 PM

Tuesday

Truckee Sunrise – Donner Lake Kitchen – 7:00 AM
Carson City – Golden Nugget – 12:00 PM
Reno Central – Peppermill – 12:00 PM
Minden – Carson Valley Inn – 12:00 PM
Fallon – Fallon Convention Center – 12:15 PM
Reno Centennial Sunset – Tamarak – 6:00 PM
Tahoe City – Sawtooth Restaurant – 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Sparks – John Ascuaga’s Nugget – 12:10 PM
So. Lake Tahoe – Harrah’s – 7:00 PM
Reno Rotaract – 7:30 PM, first and third Wednesday
Visit www.renorotaract.org for location

Thursday

Sparks Centennial Sunrise – Davids @ Red Hawk - 7AM
Tahoe Incline – Hyatt – 7:00 AM
Fernley – Frontier Fun Center – 11:30 AM
Reno South – Atlantis – 12:00 PM
Truckee – Hampton Inn – 12:00 PM
Carson City Sunset – Eagle Valley GC – 6:30 PM

Friday

Reno Sunrise – **Airport Plaza Best Western** – 7:00 AM
Tahoe Douglas – MontBleu Resort – 12:00 PM

Online

E-club one - www.rotaryclubone.org



Caleb Cage
Director of Nevada Office of Veterans Affairs

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