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ROTARY CLUB OF SUMNER The Spoke

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~ at the Meetings

April 18 Meeting

Rotary Minute by Pat Duffy Jr.

The theme of this Rotary Minute revolves around Chicago, the birth place of Rotary. The quiz included questions such as Sears Tower -- what 4 states can you see? Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and Wisconsin. The first televised Presidential Debate from Chicago CBS Studios. Who debated? Nixon and Kennedy. First Entertainment vehicle at the world's fair in 1893? Ferris Wheel.

Chicago River is the only river in the world that flows backward.

to Jerry Yoder: This Chicago bootlegger made lots of money selling booze: Al Capone.

April 25 Meeting

Rotary Honor's night. May 9, 6 p.m. At The Hanson Place. We need 20 couples to host a student. 10 from Bonney Lake and 10 from Sumner High. Mama Stortini's will host the event.

Alicia: Girls Night Out. We need your help to get ready for this fund-raising event. We have tickets available and forms for donations you can make. The event will be at the Windmill.

Sumner School District is honoring Sumner Rotary with a Community Award.

Eric Langford: Interact Club is having it's first Community Bingo. April 28, 2017.



Service Above Self Awards: Sumner Middle School students were present and given recognition for their **SERVICE** Above Self excellence. Some examples of good community contribu-

tions: The Leeder family have painted nice messages on some rocks around town. Louise and Melody help sort chairs and organize at the school. Guadalupe and Sage are always in early and stay late to help with whatever is needed. They all exemplify student leadership.

May 2 Meeting

Auction of a "Senior Pleasure Basket." Sherm Voiles really sold this up. High price -- \$100. Sherm then auctioned another basket full of lotions. A "beautiful spa basket." It sold for \$100, also. Money will go to a good cause. Thank you to the high bidders.



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May 9, 2017



~birthdays and anniversaries

<u>Birthdays</u>

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Terry Senn Pam Osborne Gene Hammermaster Ron Malnar Brad Moericke Bill Pugh Karen Carrick Jeannie Johnson Ronald McCorkle Mike Cathey Bill Heath Kathy Hayden Douglas Andrews Brent Nalder

Membership Years

District, Sumner School	2
Jeannie Johnson	5
Barbara Riske	5
Tina Pries	17
DebbieGarrison	6
HellenHemphill-Wilson	1
Kristy Pistilli	1
Manfred von Vierthaler	40
Karen Carrick	10
John Patrick	4
Barbara Bitetto	12
Monica Tolas	1

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<u>Weddings</u>

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Jerry Thorson married Gina 10 years ago. Mike Cathey married Janine 43 years ago. David Hammermaster married Susan 28 years ago. John Patrick married Sharon 36 years ago.



~guest speakers

<u>April 18, 2017</u>

Sharla introducing our guest speaker

Congressman Denny Heck

He is investigating the interference by Russia in the 2016 election. From his "intel committee" he has learned that there are people who wake up every day who's sole goal is to do our country harm. There are also people who's sole goal is to prevent those same people from causing harm to our country.

All steps in these processes and investigations have moved for-ward with nonpartisan support.

On the local horizon: The flooding issue: The future is not bright. "We've gotta do some work here." [read: more taxes?]. The river's ability to move water is reduced greatly. The river is filling up very fast.

<u>April 25, 2017</u>

Rosella Mosby of Mosby Farms

Title of her Presentation: Agriculture, the only essential industry

The average age of a farmer is 58 and only 1.5% of the U.S. population is a farmer or rancher and only 6% of our farmers and ranchers are under the age of 35.

In 1930, 1 farmer fed 4 people. 2010, 1 farmer feeds 155 people.

Mosby farms started in 1977. It's a first generation farm with land purchases to make.

The most expensive aspect of a farm is centered around regulations. Food safety issues.



Second biggest financial difficulty is labor. 22 full time employees, but 100 hired during harvest. It's

hardest to see food die on the vines. Started youth program. Work with your hands and pull weeds. Young teenagers learn patience and how to weed. They learn "job ownership"; this is their 4th year crew. It's a fun program to watch.

Veggie Club: A meeting place for farmer and community to meet. A way to exchange farm fresh goods which benefits the farmer to purchase next season's seeds.

Mosby Farms donates over 100,000 lb.s of food each year.

<u>May 2, 2017</u>

Deb introduced our guest speaker by first giving a narrative of the program.

Jim Premo

World Venture's Foundation

"Hug it Forward" works on a project in Guatemala to establish schools. Building a "bottle school." Stuff water bottles and use them as "bricks" to build schools.

"Building Hope Through Hoops." Program builds basketball courts outdoors. Partnered by the Boys and Girls Club through the "Heart to Serve" program.

Jiim's life changed when he learned about this program. We wrap our volunteer groups into fun, called, Voluntours. Mr. Premo met a woman who left her family to fulfill a mission to establish a non-profit program to help the less advantaged.



~ our officers

~happy bucks

\$ Tina P. -- \$5 because on Sunday my daughter got engaged.

\$ Annon -- for a celebration of my Dad which was very nice.

\$ Annon \$100 for "marrying off my oldest daughter."

\$ Marilee: \$20 - her son's TED talk is on YouTube. Many thanks to our club. Mike Caffey came with me to visit a sick child. We've raised a lot of money to help improve the child's home. "Thank you" to the Sumner police department because they chipped in and bought 2 new bikes to replace the stolen bikes of the family they visited.

\$ Dave Shoemaker: Happy that the City counsel approved a new bridge.

\$ Maria: \$26 - donate Easter egg winnings.

\$ Jerry Yoder -- great time at Bingo-night. More rotarians were there than you can count.

\$ Suzanne -- Honor's NIght coming. Brett McDaniels is our guest speaker for that event. Next week, May 9.

\$ Barbara Skinner -- bring in donations for the WSU or UW baskets to be sold at the Girl's Night Out.

\$ Barbara Riske -- 9th grandchild is on the way.

\$ Kyle -- excited about the \$15,000 scholarship available for diesel mechanic training.

\$ Barbara - Rotary Scout Hall property tax bill is down to\$7.00. Thank Sam Suznevich for making that possible.

\$ Chief Morieke -- for trip to Peurto Villarta.



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