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Last week's program
by Art Harrington

Great job, John!

Our thanks to John McCormick for presenting a very special program last Thursday to better prepare us to appreciate and celebrate our 4th of July Independence Day.

John read for us some of the excerpts he felt to be most important from the Declaration of Independence. He placed them in their historical context, and helped us to better understand the conditions under which the colonists were living that caused them to take this courageous and revolutionary stand.

He also spoke at some length about some of the 56 signers of that historic document. He noted how many of them had, in consequence to the position they had taken, lost their families, their homes, their fortunes, and many of them their lives.

John reminded us that freedom is never free, and that our freedom as Americans initially cost these signers of that Declaration of Independence dearly. And over the years many other Americans have also paid the ultimate price to maintain the freedoms these early patriots proclaimed and defended with their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor.

Charlie's inauguration
by Art Harrington



Chef Charlie, at your service

Those of us who arrived at the historic Brunswick Hotel in Kingman for Charlie Tegarden's installation on June 28 found the incoming DG decked out in his chef's garb to kick off the evening.



Charlie's point: both he and his district leadership team are in office this year to serve the clubs and their members. His primary goal is to help the clubs in every way possible to succeed in reaching the goals they have set for themselves.

He emphasized that he would not be pushing district projects for clubs to support. Instead, he wants to enable the clubs to expand their membership and the services they are able to provide, both in their communities and in other parts of the world. It was a great evening!

Photo: Chef Charlie with his proud Mom

New club directory
by Art Harrington

Missing this photo?



Those club members who attended the annual Awards & Installation Dinner were presented a copy of the new Club Membership Directory. Some who missed that event picked up their copies at last week's meeting. Others can get their copy at the next club meeting they attend.

However, one photo - that of Cory Simoneau - is missing from that directory, since it came in after it was printed.

No problem. You don't have to cut and paste his photo into your directory. See the link to the club website at the top right of this club bulletin? Click on that. Once you reach the website, click on the login button (upper right side), and enter your required login information.

Under "My ClubRunner" you will see the Printable Club Directory. Open the Word document and print page 8 of the directory, with Cory's picture on it. Pull the clip on the spine of your directory, substitute your new page for the old one, and re-set the clip holding the contents in place. It's that easy to keep your new club directory up-to-date!

Don't know your login information? Call or email me.

I can help.

Wheelchair GSE team
by Art Harrington



District's wheelchair team positions filling fast

Darol needs your help finding the best

District 5490's Wheelchair Group Study Exchange team to Australia is filling up quickly. Applications for this special GSE team are still being accepted, but time is running out.

Team leader Darol Kubacz, from the Phoenix West Rotary Club, who is also a wheelchair user, encourages all potential team members from any community within our district, to apply for this once in a lifetime opportunity. The GSE program is funded by The Rotary Foundation.

Team member candidates must be wheelchair users, non-Rotarians (and not related to a Rotarian), between 25 and 40 years of age, actively employed and be able to independently travel.

If you know someone who uses a wheelchair, and who matches this description, talk with that person about this wonderful opportunity!

For more information, contact PDG Don Schiller, the district GSE chair: (schiller@commspeed.net)

Club dues
by Art Harrington

Didn't we just get billed?

Admittedly, the quarterly billings for dues have not always been sent out in a timely manner in the past. However, **our new club treasurer has been charged with the responsibility of seeing that club members are billed at the beginning of each quarter this year** - and he is doing his job, as you can attest. *(If you have not received a bill yet, please check with Alan.)*



Some members have fallen behind in paying past due amounts. We need all members to pay these balances owed as quickly as possible. We realize that, in the current economy, some may need additional time to catch up on their bills. If so, please make arrangements with [Alan "Guido" Callner](#), our treasurer, who has also been charged with collecting these past-due amounts. If time is needed, monthly payments can be arranged.

Worth repeating
by Art Harrington



To be young

Those of you who attended this year's District Conference probably heard David Morgan, Rotary Foundation Trustee from Wales, who was serving as the RI President's Personal Representative, include in his Saturday morning address the following, entitled simply **"To Be Young."** Many requested a copy to keep, so we are reprinting it here:

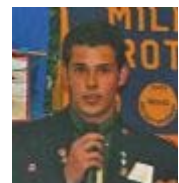
- To be young is to swim in pools you didn't dig.
- To be a Rotarian is to dig pools in which you'll never swim.
- To be young is to dance to music you didn't write.
- To be a Rotarian is to write music to which you will never dance.
- To be young is to sit under trees you didn't plant.
- To be a Rotarian is to plant trees under which you will never sit.
- To be young is to seek benefits from a town you didn't build.
- To be a Rotarian is to build a town and a community from which you will never personally benefit.

Thank God for the more than 1.2 million Rotarians who are committed to making this world a better place for all who will follow after them!

RYE student writes

Thanks, Rotary!

I believe in Rotary, and I have special feeling for it.



My grandfather, who passed away 45 years ago, was a Rotarian, and my father is not only a Rotarian, but was also an exchange student to the USA at my age, in the same program that I am in.

Now my exchange is close to an end, I will be back to San Paulo, Brazil in about a month, and I want say thanks to everybody who made my exchange possible, by saying ***thanks to Rotary.***

Thanks for the best experience of my life, thanks for being in my past, making my present real, and changing my future. Rotary has been and will always be in my heart.

My name is Ariel. I am the Youth Exchange student in Middletown from Brazil who spoke a little bit about my experience today at the District Conference in West Point. Because of the limited time that I had, I did not speak everything that I wanted, and in this letter I have a way to do it.

As you know, I tried to divide my year in two parts to better express what I was feeling and how I was thinking during my year. I concluded by expressing how it was important for my personal growth to experience the cultural and religious diversity in the United States. This was the first time that I had left my country. I remember exactly as though it was today arriving at the airport, right after a ten-hour, direct night flight without sleep. There was nobody that I knew before living here - it was me, my luggage, and my broken English. Not knowing anyone or anywhere means tons of new names every day, together with the language difficulty, that was enough for getting me lost. Even though I enjoyed it, it was exciting to make the discoveries, I was paying attention to every step that I took, I felt like a detective.

There was also all my expectations for the whole year, which were mostly wrong, but not worse. It took half a year for me to improve my English enough, learn the city, remember the names of everybody, accept the reality of my Youth Exchange, and engage in my new life. It required a lot of flexibility, but it was a good stage and I had a lot of fun. I can define this stage in two words; I will call it "Introduction and Adaptation."

The second stage is "Stabilization and Understanding," but in my case I want to call it different, I want to call it "Enlightenment." After clearing my mind, I had room for other ideas, and that was when the assimilations started, that was when everything became clear. I can describe it much better with an analogy. Imagine that you are playing a game, and this game is... Puzzle! Your scenario is the world map, and you are already playing this game through your whole life.

-- Rotary Youth Exchange student, Ariel Ferrari R. Camargo