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ROTARY CLUB OF VIENNA, Inc.
Wednesdays 12:15 PM
Award Winning Newsletter
2007 & 2008

Marco Polo Restaurant
245 W Maple Ave.
Vienna, VA 22180

View from the Tables

Meeting Called to order at 12:15 p.m. by **President John Brunow**.

Pledge: Led by **Bob Easton**.

Song: **Richard Lukens** led in "America the Beautiful".

Prayer: Led by **Bindy Lichtenfels**

John Brunow presented "sponsor pins" to **Keith Bodamer** and **Diane Poldy** for their accomplishments at bringing in new members to the club.



John also reiterated the earlier announcement of the club's sponsorship of the upcoming jazz presentation at the Town Green. It is set for 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 24. Bring family members and prospective Rotarians. Some members observed that Dean is too young to know about Barney Fife but Dean insisted that's not true.

Zonta International says "Thank You" to the Club



Diane Poldy's guest, **Ina Fernandez**, from Zonta International, a professional women's service organization, thanked the Vienna Rotary Club for its financial support.



Words of Wisdom

Since the beginning of civilization, there has

been a surplus of sayers of things. If there is any one particular in which I would have Rotary distinguished from other organizations, it is in the quality of character which results in the doing of things.

Paul Harris

Calendar of Events

Aug 24 Concert on the Town Green Social



Upcoming Programs

July 23 Dean Southee
Classification Talk
 August 6 Katherine Owens
Alzheimer's Association
 August 20 Wayne Jackson
Classification Talk
 Devika Gutpa and George Eichert
 August 27 *Classification Talks*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Woody Bentley announced that a number of members have become Paul Harris Fellows multiple times over, noting that this is a "banner year" for the Rotary Foundation and that Vienna Rotary is "in the upper 10 percent" of clubs in terms of commitment to and contributions to the Foundation.



Richard Lukens turned over his sheriff's badge to new sergeant-at-arms **Dean Southee** who promised to wear it with pride in the tradition of Barney Fife.

Treasurer Howard Svigals said quarterly bills are now being distributed and may be paid by mail or in person to Howard at an upcoming meeting within the next two weeks.

Agenda for July 9th Meeting

- 08-09 Leadership Team meets with DG Chuck Davidson in the front room of Marco Polo at 11:15
- Larry Warren makes presentation to Bob Marshall
- Announce email address gathering for wider distribution of Vienna Rotary

Food for Thought

If the metric system did ever take over, we'd have to change our thinking for the following sayings:

- A miss is as good as 1.1 kilometers. Put your best 0.3 of a meter forward.
- Spare the 5.03 meters and spoil the child.
- Twenty-eight grams of prevention is worth 453 grams of cure.
- Give a man 2.5 centimeters and he'll take 1.06 kilometers.
- Peter Piper picked 8.8 liters of pickled peppers.



Today's Program
Chuck Davidson
District Governor



Visiting Rotarians	Jim Babcock and Carol Ann Babcock, both of the Falls Church Club.
Guests	Diane Poldy introduced her guest, Ina Fernandez, from Zonta International, a professional women's service organization, who also thanked the Vienna Rotary Club for its financial support for Zonta International.

Gambling

	Bob Easton won the \$33 pot.
	Duni Schutzengel won the pie, donated by <u>The Pie Gourmet</u> , for the second week in a row.



Vienna Club Members can now access dozens of photos of our "Members Making a Difference" taken by our very own Gerry Hamilton. Visit <http://www.flickr.com/photos/16224073@N07/collections/72157602706602214/> to share in these special moments.

LOL! One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names with small Canadian flags mounted on either side of it. The seven year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, 'Good morning, Alex.'

'Good morning, Pastor,' he replied, still focused on the plaque.

'Pastor, what is this?' he asked.

The pastor said, 'Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service.'

Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque.

Finally, little Alex's voice, barely audible and trembling with fear, asked, 'Which service, the 8:30 or the 10:45?'



Today's Speaker
Steve Titunik
Virginia Department of Transportation
Hot Lane Project

Today's speaker was Steve Titunik, a representative of the Virginia Department of Transportation's HOT Lane project. He told members that his speech to the Vienna Rotary Club is a part of VDOT's outreach campaign to inform the people of Northern Virginia about plans to build HOT lanes – the acronym stands for High Occupancy Toll – in both directions on the Beltway between the Springfield Interchange and a point just north of the Dulles Toll Road, a distance of about 14 miles.



In the vernacular of highway planners, HOT lanes are tolled lanes that operate alongside existing highway lanes to provide users with a faster and more reliable travel option. Buses, carpools (HOV-3), motorcycles and emergency vehicles will have free access to HOT lanes. Drivers with fewer than three occupants can choose to pay to access the lanes. Tolls for the HOT lanes will change according to traffic conditions and to regulate demand for the lanes and keep them congestion free, even during peak hours.

VIRGINIA HOT LANES transurban FLUOR VDOT

Capital Beltway HOT Lanes Overview

- Two new lanes in each direction
- First-time introduction of HOV to the Beltway and Tysons Corner/Merrifield area
- Congestion-free network for transit service
- Replace more than \$260 million of aging infrastructure
 - including more than 50 bridges & overpasses

Some things can't wait for traffic.

Titunik told Vienna Rotarians that construction will start "within a few weeks" and that the new lanes are scheduled to open in 2013.



More information on the project is available at www.virginiadot.org and at www.virginiahotlanes.com.

Name That Newsletter



The Editor needs your help! It has recently been brought to my attention that our newsletter doesn't have a name. With plans to expand distribution, we would like to enlist club members, and their families, for assistance in a "Name that Newsletter" Contest.

Please submit your ideas to by August 1, 2008 so we may take it to a Club vote.



George Creed was happy for the opportunity to distribute the 2008 Washington Redskins schedule to Members.

Woody Bentley was happy for the opportunity to be involved in District Rotary work and encouraged others to join him in what he views as a fulfilling and important component of being a Rotarian.

George Eichert was happy that his oldest daughter just announced her engagement.



The Rotary Club of Vienna will sponsor a concert on the Vienna Town Green on Sunday, August 24th with a social period beginning at 6 PM and the concert starting at 6:30 PM.

Music will be provided by the Richard Walton Group – Award winning, original Mid-Atlantic Contemporary jazz pioneers



Allen Garai has graciously agreed to take the leadership for this event. Please visit the Club Wiki to contribute your ideas on how we bet make this terrific event even better.



Did You Know?

The human body is a machine that is full of wonder.

- Scientists say the higher your I.Q. - the more you dream.
• The largest cell in the human body is the female egg and the smallest is the male sperm.
• You use 200 muscles to take one step.
• The average woman is 5 inches shorter than the average man.



Bobbac's Latest Report on Taylor

Well...it has taken a new step. We found out that Taylor's white count is still low and her hemoglobin is

still low as well so we are now going to transfer to Inova Fairfax sometime today or tomorrow morning (they didn't have a room available right this minute). Doctor Edward Keim is taking over her care (he's the one I spoke of in the email below). We will do a CT scan and possibly a bone scan to rule out certain infections/abscesses in her body continuing to give her spikes in fever. She's miserable with an IV line in her arm, as she can't suck her thumb for now. Trust me, we didn't sleep for two days due to this. :-)

I never knew the thumb could prove to be so crucial. :-0

Although it doesn't look so great, her C-Reactive protein went from 22 down to 14. That's encouraging, as it means the inflammation in her body is lessening and the antibiotic is working...but...since we need to get the source of the infection he's the one to handle the care from here onward (Fauquier doesn't have this capability as Fairfax does). I will let you know what is next.

Thank you to Keith Bodamer for keeping Club members updated on Taylor's progress.

We will all keep Taylor and the entire Oveissi Family in our prayers.

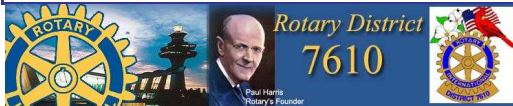


This week the Learning Center will focus Rotary Action Groups:

Rotarian Action Groups conduct international service projects that further the Object of Rotary. This week's spotlight will be on Humanitarian Service Rotarian Action Group Services

ROTARIAN ACTION GROUP - Humanitarian Service Rotarian Action Group Services

The aim of the Humanitarian Service Rotarian Action Group, (HSRF), is to develop an international network of Rotarians who are involved in organizing humanitarian service projects. Through their association in this fellowship they are encouraged to share their expertise and experience with other Rotarians engaged in the same type of humanitarian efforts thus promoting a fellowship of service throughout the world. At HSRF, we are expanding the categories to include -Literacy, Poverty, Hunger, Health, Clean Water, and Donations-in-kind because these are the areas which are served most by our members.



NEWS from the DISTRICT



Club Host Wanted for an Exchange Student from Peru

I ask that you quickly poll your club to see if there might be interest in hosting an inbound Exchange Student from Peru. This student and his family have submitted the required applications, gone through the required screening, and are fully eligible to participate. Unfortunately, due to a mix-up at the district level in Peru, he is being proposed to come to our district late.

We have had good response from the Arlington and Crystal City-Pentagon Clubs on this student, and between the two we have agreed club sponsorship and a Club Counselor identified. Unfortunately our good fortune ran out when trying to engage the Arlington County Public Schools. Because of the relatively late date, all of their Exchange Student quotas are now full and the county has already turned down other 'extra' students who have applied for waivers.

If you think our club should and could sponsor this student. Please contact Club President John Brunow.



Meetings Locations & Times

Monday

- 7:30 AM Alexandria South IHOP
7:30 AM Fair Lakes Fair Lakes Hyatt Regency
12:00 PM Alexandria West End Duke's Cafe
12:15 PM Fairfax American Legion Post 177
12:30 PM Sterling Logan's Roadhouse

Tuesday

- 7:30 AM Bull Run City Tavern Manassas
7:30 AM Leesburg Tuscarora Mill Rest.
7:30 AM Burke Brion's Grill Burke
11:30 AM Centerville-Eggspectations in Chantilly
12:00 PM McLean Redeemer Lutheran Church
12:15 PM Alexandria Radisson Hotel Old Town
12:30 PM Roslyn-Fort Myer Vantage Point Rest.

Wednesday

- 7:30 AM West Springfield Springfield CC
7:30 AM Crystal City Crystal City Marriott
7:30 AM Herndon Amphora Diner Deluxe
7:30 AM Gainesville-Haymarket Piedmont Ctry Club
12:15 PM Annandale Squire Rockwell's Rest.
12:15 PM Manassas City Tavern Grille
12:15 PM Reston Hunters Hidden Creek CC

Thursday

- 7:30 AM Tysons Corner Tower Club
12:15 PM Arlington La Cote d' Or
12:15 PM Springfield Greenspring Village Sq.
12:15 PM Warrenton Fauquier Springs CC
6:30 PM Falls Church Harvest Moon Rest.

Friday

- 7:30 AM Bailey's Crossroads Athens Rest.
7:30 AM Dulles Center for Innovative Tech
12:30 PM Dunn Loring J.R.'s Stockyards Inn

See

www.rotary7610.org/club_meetings.html for complete list of meeting times

Rotary Club of Vienna 2008- 2009 Leadership Team

- President - John Brunow
President Elect - Jim Marshall
Vice President - Richard Lukens
Past President - Larry Warren
Director at Large - Matt Brennan
Executive Secretary - Gerry Hamilton
Treasurer - Howard Svigals
Chair Administration Committee - Bindy Lichtenfels
Director Club Service - Joe Pace
Chair Membership Committee - A.J. Oskuie
Chair Public Relations - Wayne Jackson
Chair The Rotary Foundation Committee - Jorge Diaz
Vienna Rotary Foundation - Matt Brennan
Chair Viva! Vienna! - Woody Bentley
Dir. Vocational Service - Duni Schutzengel
Dir. International Service - Jim Marshall
Vice Chair Intern'al Service - J. Scholes
Sergeant at Arms - Dean Southee

Rotarian in right place at right time after China quake

By Susie O. Ma
Rotary International News -- 10 July 2008



Honorary Rotarian Bill Chiang with a young earthquake survivor in Sichuan Province, China. Photo courtesy of Bill Chiang

Bill Chiang was working on his laptop the afternoon of 12 May when his 19th-floor apartment in Chengdu, China, began to shake.

"This cannot be an earthquake," he thought. "It must be shoddy construction work."

But when the building continued to sway, he quickly realized what was happening. A veteran of two earthquakes in California, USA, he ducked under a doorway and waited - and waited and waited - until the shaking stopped two minutes later.

Despite his initial fear, Chiang said he was in the right place at the right time. A charter and honorary member of the Rotary Club of San Francisco Golden Gate (Chengdu does not have a club), he, along with members of the Rotary clubs of Beijing and Shanghai, has been an integral part of Rotary-related efforts to help victims of the earthquake in China's Sichuan Province.

Because of Rotarians' work, ShelterBox and LifeBox, two disaster relief organizations with Rotary ties, have been able to ship aid containers to the region. ShelterBox was also able to obtain the visas required to send a disaster response team to the area.

"Bill has been great with on-the-ground organization, including providing access to interpreters, organizing transport, and all the paperwork," said Lasse Petersen, of the Rotary Club of Mounts Bay, Cornwall, England, a longtime ShelterBox team member. "When you arrive in a foreign country and don't speak the language, finding local help is invaluable."

As the earthquake cleanup continues, Chiang wants to become a conduit for Rotary club and district reconstruction projects and is busy answering e-mails from Rotarians and friends from around the world interested in helping.

Chiang said he looks forward to when his Chinese friends can become Rotarians. Though there are Rotary clubs in Beijing and Shanghai, only foreign-passport holders are allowed to join until the government approves regulations for international nongovernmental organizations.

While distributing ShelterBox containers in Pengzhou, an area devastated by the quake, Chiang told an interested government official about Rotary.

"He said he wanted to be a Rotarian and asked how he could join," Chiang recalled proudly. "It was a Rotary moment."

Vienna Rotary Club is a Proud Sponsor of Shelter Box.

