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For the latest “scoop” on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page: www.rotarywc.org

Chris Gnanakone on “Land Mine Removal”

Thanks to President Bruce Cockerham for a Great Year as Club President 2002-2003!
Hi Ho, Hi Ho, Its Out of Office You Go

Ok, enough maudlin sentimentality. Next week, we start the new Rotary Year 2003-2004 by giving President Bruce the heave ho. Past President Roger Dolan leads a Coalition of the Really Willing who will deliver a fitting end to this regime.

Recognitions
Ira Hillyer scored his first hole in one, at Grayson Woods Golf Course in Pleasant Hill. Ivan Kerr, his wife Cheryl, and their youngest daughter enjoyed a recent trip to Brussels, Paris, Amsterdam, Dusseldorf, and Cologne. Ivan sampled the beer while Cheryl studied the wine.

Clint Collier toured Brisbane, Hunters Hill (near Sydney), and Osaka while traveling to and from the the Rotary International Convention in Australia. Clint brought back “Lend a Hand” pins for the Club members.

Lance Mendes recently bought a water ski boat.

Wolf Heinritz had a good time at a friend’s daughter’s wedding in Chicago.

Sunshine Report
Jack Matkin is doing well in his recovery from surgery for prostate cancer, and thanks the many Club members who have sent their good wishes.

Roy Hjersman reported that he spent a nice morning last Tuesday visiting Margaret who suffered a stroke last month.

June Anniversaries
Congratulations to the following Rotarians celebrating wedding anniversaries in June: Ali Allahian, Fred Scheffler, Ken Wirfel, Ken Roberts, Lance Mendes, Les Howard, Milt Smith, Valerie Riders, Phil Eyring, Chris Gnanakone, and Dick Mortensen

Dues Statements Sent to Club Members on the Mid-Year Billing Cycle
Invoices for membership dues for those members on the July billing cycle have been mailed. Payment is due on or before July 30th. Please turn in your dues to your club secretary.

Rotary Raises US$88.5 Million, Exceeding Campaign Goal
From the Rotary International website (www.rotary.org). On 3 June 2003, at the Rotary International Convention in Brisbane, Australia, RI President Bhichai Rattakul announced that Rotary’s 1.2 million members have successfully raised more than US$88.5 million for the fundraising campaign, surpassing the original goal of $80 million.

The funds raised are in addition to the $500 million Rotary has committed to polio eradication since 1985, when Rotary launched its first fundraising drive with the goal of $120 million—an amount that Rotary more than doubled by the end of that campaign. The remarkable success of the current campaign would not have been possible without the enthusiasm and support of more than 5,000 clubs who have sent their commitments. Additional pledges and club commitments are arriving daily. So far, 528 districts and 117 countries have supported the campaign.

It is not too late for you or your club to participate in the campaign. Consider conducting a small fundraiser. For example, your club may choose to abstain from a meal at your weekly meeting and donate the money saved to the eradication campaign. Or, you might engage your community by placing collection buckets at area businesses. It only takes US$.60 to fully immunize a child, and every penny counts. Learn about more fundraising ideas. If your club or district has participated in a successful fundraiser, e-mail campaign staff.

Commitments and pledges will be accepted until 30 June 2003. Participants have until 30 June, 2005 to fulfill their pledges. You can download pledge forms at www.rotary.org.

Join fellow Rotarians in Fulfilling Our Promise to Eradicate Polio.

Rotary International Directory 2003-2004

Now Available
We have received the 2003-2004 Rotary International Directory. As they began doing two years ago, it is distributed on CD-rom. Any member of the Club who would like a copy of the CD can request it from the Secretary, Clint Collier. There is a small charge for producing a copy. Anyone wishing to borrow a copy for a week can do that too; again Clint has the lending copy available (unless someone else has already borrowed it!).

Russ Anderson and Dr. Lin Shafer Will Climb Mt. Shasta July 1-4
Russ Anderson, and his friend Dr. Lin Shafer, will represent our Club in the District 5160 climb on Mt. Shasta July 1-4. This is a fundraiser for the Polio Plus program. Pledges by our Club members and friends will support their efforts. Please sign up with Jack Fischer.

New Members
Peter Kadison, from Administaff and Gary Pokorny, of the City of Walnut Creek, were inducted into membership in the Club.

Has your personal information changed?
If your mailing address, telephone or fax numbers, email address, or other personal information changes, please tell the Club Secretary, Clint Collier, so that he can keep our