

Greenes' Better Half



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Rotary Connections

Today I'm thinking about Ramona Winska, our visitor from Czestochowa, and Rotary connections.

We met Ramona in June at the home of Grzegorz and Elzbieta Sitak. We were staying with the Sitaks, whom we met in 2001 when Grzegorz was a new Rotarian. Ramona and her parents are friends of the Sitaks and came to a birthday party for Elzbieta. Ramona was very excited because she had just received her visa for the USA.

We invited her on the spot to stay with us because she was talking about traveling around the U. S. on her own and we didn't think that was a good idea.

While Ramona has been here she has spent a week- end in San Francisco with Ewa Karmarzuk, the first RYE student from Poland, and a week with Marietta in San Diego.

She visited Tahoe with Marietta's husband Ricardo and Chris and later they all went shooting in the hills behind Lockwood.

She attended our son's wedding and spent a weekend with the Hills.

This evening we had Kasia Banasiak, former member of our club, over for dinner. She and Ramona are talking about a business venture to import the meats, which Ramona's family business produces to this country.

And, next September we are invited back to Czestochowa to help Ramona celebrate her wedding.

You never know quite where the Rotary connection will lead but its always a pleasure!The Board has discussed this idea and recommends that we go forward, provided the club supports the idea.

President Martha

This Week's Program

Noreen Leary



Veterans Guest House

Veteran's Guest House provides:

- Overnight stays
- Continental breakfast
- Proximity to Hospitals
- Caring Environment
- VA Medical Center liaison
- Volunteers on duty
- Transportation proximity

Fireside

Do not forget there will be a Fireside after the regular meeting this week.

History on the Veterans Guest House

The Veterans Guest House maintains a home like atmosphere for families of U.S. military service veterans hospitalized at the Reno VA Medical Center.

The families of hospitalized Veterans should not have to sleep in cars in the VA Medical Center parking lot in order to be near their loved ones. This was the reality before Dick Rhyno, one of the founders of the Spouse House, saw the need to provide a close, comfortable and compassionate place to stay for the Veterans undergoing medical treatment.

Working with other supporters, the non-profit Veterans Hospital Foundation was established in 1991. Between 1992-1993 a building fund was established and a tax-exempt status was obtained. In 1994 the present location was leased, and an option to buy was executed in December of that year.

During 1995-1998 renovations were made to upgrade the facilities to provide the capacity of seven bed spaces. In 1999 the mortgage was retired and a building expansion fund was established.

A significant achievement in 2000 was the establishment of an Operating Fund Endowment. In 2002, the name of the facility and foundation was changed to the Veterans Guest House in acknowledgement of the extended family members that make use of the facility.

On Veterans Day 2004 the newly built house to replace the old house was unveiled and opened.

Social services at both the Veterans Administration Medical Center and Washoe Medical Center may refer qualified Vet family members to the Veterans Guest House.

A contribution of \$25 per guest is requested to help defray costs, but no one is refused for lack of funds. The Veterans Guest is not government funded and relies on public contributions.

Donations are greatly appreciated, contact;

Veterans Guest House
880 Locust Street, Reno, NV 89502-0348
775.324.6958 - Fax: 775.324.6071

The Pot

\$230

*Buy a Ticket
Take a Chance*

Why the 2007 Rotary Convention in Salt Lake City?

Well, it as close as it can get. The last Rotary Convention I went to was many years ago in Las Vegas. I was greatly impressed with the exhibits from our worldwide Rotary clubs. I was also fascinated with the different clubs Rotarians form. eg; books, stamps, coins etc..

The experience is inspiring and enlightening to meet and talk to Rotarians from all over the world that you would normally never meet. If you have been to one, I don't need to encourage you. But if you have never been to one, THIS IS IT.

I encourage our Rotarians of Reno Sunrise to attend the 2007 Rotary International Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah on June 17-21, 2007. Never has so much been so close. Reserve a hotel room now as they are filling up and do it ASAP if you have decided to go. I know as I talked to several before I got my room. Then register for the Convention part. Information is in last months (Oct) issue of the Rotarian and on line.

Service Above Self,
Ron Rehn

Senior Honey Do Project

The next project will be scheduled for Saturday, November 18 at 8:00 a.m. Martin Kavanagh is the homeowner at 5541 Thornberry Court in Sun Valley. The project only requires some minimal manual labor of pulling weeds. A sign-up sheet will be provided at Friday's breakfast meeting. Contact Linda Tuxon for more information.

October Birthdays

October 1 Doug Hill
October 17 Jim Gerhard
October 19 Berry Courtney

October Anniversaries

October 5 Jeff & Dena Sheldon
October 10 Don & Roxanne Iddings
October 17 Gary & Jane Foote
October 23 Charlie & Aggie Fettig

Upcoming Programs

November 3, 2006

John Hetz
The Rotary Foundation

November 10, 2006

Dark, see you at Foundation Dinner 11/8

November 17, 2006

Club Assembly

November 24, 2006

Dark for Turkey Day

December 1, 2006

UNR Woman's Basketball

Upcoming Events

October 27, 2006

Fireside immediately following the regular meeting

November 8, 2006

Reno/Sparks Area Rotary Foundation Dinner,
Fellowship and Cocktails 5 – 7PM
Dinner and Program 7 – 9 PM at the Peppermill

December 2, 2006

Annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing Competition
Wal-Mart at Northtowne 10AM-4PM

December 2, 2006

Holiday Party at Virginia's House
You'll be sorry if you miss this. Details to follow.

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President – Martha Greene
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Director at Large – Harvey Miller (2009)

CLUBS FOR MAKE-UP

Monday

Reno – Harrah's - 12:00 PM
Incline Village – Sierra NV College - 12:15 PM

Tuesday

Carson City – CC Nugget – 12:00 PM
Reno Central – Peppermill – 12:00 PM
Reno Centennial Sunset – Tamarak – 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Sparks – John Ascuaga's Nugget – 12:10 PM
So. Lake Tahoe – Harrah's – 7:00 PM

Thursday

Sparks Centennial Sunrise – Wingfield Springs 7:00 AM
Reno South – Atlantis – 12:00 PM
Carson City Sunset – Devincenzi's Grill – 6:30 PM

Friday

Reno Sunrise – Siena Hotel Spa Casino – 7:00 AM
Tahoe Douglas – Caesar's – 12:00 PM

Online

e-club one - www.rotaryclubone.org
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