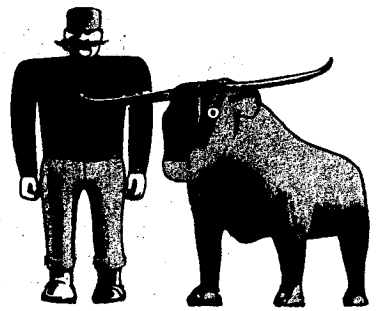
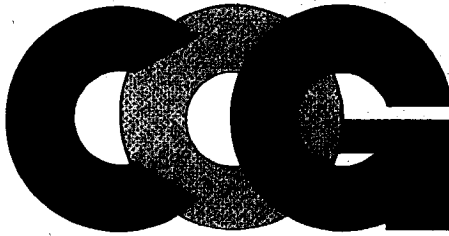


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**THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM**

Jim Heltzer, County Commissioner – "Current County Issues"

**NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM**

No Meetings December 24 or December 31 – Next Meeting January 7, 2002

**Important Dates to Remember**

- Barcelona, Spain – Rotary International Conference
  - June 23-26, 2002
- International Goodwill Conference – Winnipeg, Manitoba
  - February 15-16-17, 2002
  - (Speaker: RI President Richard King)
- District 5580 Annual Conference – Bismarck, ND
  - April 24-25-26, 2002

**Coming in January**

- January 7 – Paul Iverson, President State Pharmaceutical Association – "Pharmacy Today"
- January 14 – District Governor Aileen Pepper – (Club Assembly at 11:00 a.m. – Everyone Invited)
- January 21 – Senior Citizens Center – Ann Daley, President
- January 28 – Classification Talk

**Rotary in the News**

Some examples of recent coverage of Rotary in the news media:

Associated Press: "Terrorist attacks do little to deter would-be foreign exchange students"  
A US news service profiles the increased interest in Rotary's Youth Exchange program following the attacks on September 11.

El Cronista: "El Rotary Internacional destina us\$ 400 millones anuales para asistencia"  
A Buenos Aires-based business newspaper notes the donation of medical supplies to the Muniz Hospital during RI President Frank Devlyn's visit to the city.

Georgie Anne Geyer, Universal Press Syndicate: "Unique public-private effort conquers scourge of polio"  
A nationally syndicated US columnist covers Rotary's key endeavor, the PolioPlus program.

The Point: "Rotary to dig more wells"  
A leading newspaper in Banjul, Gambia, discusses some of the ongoing Rotary club projects in the country.

Washington Post: "Each child a step in a global plan to erase polio"  
One of the United States' leading newspapers focuses on the global campaign to eradicate polio, discussing the work of Angola's Rotary club in helping to immunize children against this preventable disease.

Chicago Tribune: "Teens a world away but right at home"  
Chicago's largest daily newspaper highlights the Rotary Youth Exchange program in the Chicago area.

Chronicle of Philanthropy: "Restoring Americans' civic spirit"  
Leading news source for the nonprofit community discusses the decline in civic involvement as outlined in the book *Bowling Alone*. The article mentions Rotary's work in addressing this challenge.

**Roster Update**

Is your listing correct on our club's membership roster printed on the reverse of The Cog? If not, please correct the information by completing the following form and turning it in at the Reception Desk or to President Curt. Thanks!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouses' Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Paul Harris Fellow → Yes  No

Your Classification \_\_\_\_\_

*Happy Holidays!*

*\* Peace on Earth \**