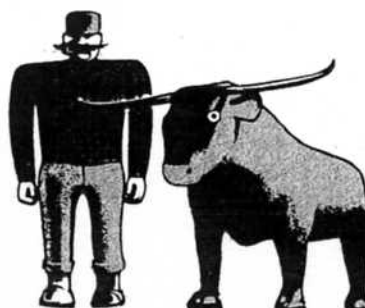
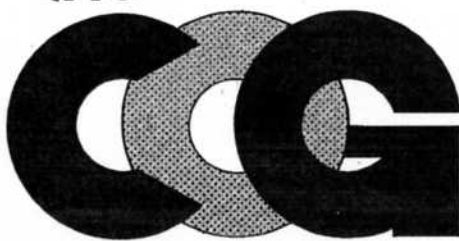




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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Classification Talk – Bob & Billie Edwards – Camping Food Business

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Ann Daley – Senior Citizens

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

Carol Lauderbaugh, Secretary, Beltrami County Salvation Army

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Many thanks go to Barry Pritchard for spearheading this marvelous effort. Thanks also go to all Rotarians who spent this very busy time of year bell ringing for the Salvation Army. All proceeds from this fundraiser are used for local Bemidji needs.

Salvation Army Thanks Rotary

Dear Bemidji Rotary Members:

Please allow me to take this opportunity to thank you and your members on behalf of the Beltrami County Service Extension of the Salvation Army for the time they contributed to ringing the bell for the Christmas Kettle Program.

I am please to inform you that your group raised approximately \$3,534 during the week of December 18-24, 2001. Last year, your group raised \$5,302.70 over the same time period. There were three major groups who rang the bell along with Habitat for Humanity and Salem Lutheran Men's Group and other individuals, which brought the total donations to \$13,323.17, as compared to \$12,831.41 in 2000. I never expected to break last year's record, due to the tragedies of September 11th, and the economy. Seems people come together when times are tough. What a beautiful country we live in.

I hope your group enjoyed their time spent ringing the bell, and would welcome any help from the Rotary next year at Christmas time. I hate to keep asking the same groups year after year, but if it weren't for you, we wouldn't have much of a fund to work with. Thanks again for all the hours your group contributed to this worthwhile cause.

May God bless you and your families in the New Year.

Sincerely,

The Foundation gears up for Rotary

Centennial

Plans are moving ahead to help make Rotary's 100th anniversary in 2005 a special celebration in the Rotary world and beyond.

Rotarians and friends already have an opportunity to benefit people around the world during Rotary's centennial year by making a contribution to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Programs Fund. Under the Foundation's three-year spending cycle, contributions made in 2002 will be spent on the Foundation's life-changing Humanitarians and Education Programs in 2005.

A major goal of the Foundation Trustees, in fact, is to achieve US\$100 in per-capita contributions by Rotary's centennial in support of the Foundation's mission. To help achieve this goal, the Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member program is a priority for the next five years. A Sustaining Member is a person who makes an annual gift of \$100 and states in writing his or her intention to make a minimum gift of \$100 per year thereafter to the Annual Programs Fund.

An ad-hoc Trustee Centennial Planning Committee, comprised of the five past RI presidents currently serving as Trustees, is considering the development of recognition for financial and other contributions made by individuals, clubs, and others to the Foundation in the centennial year. It is also looking at plans to celebrate the eradication of polio, and make use of the first graduates from Rotary Centers for International Studies as a resource to Rotary, and implement other ideas for marking Rotary's 100th birthday.