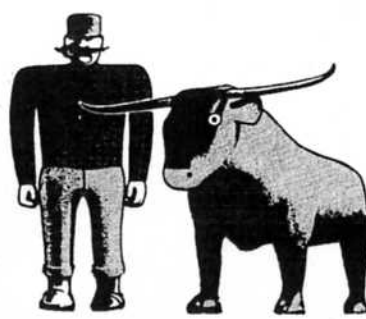
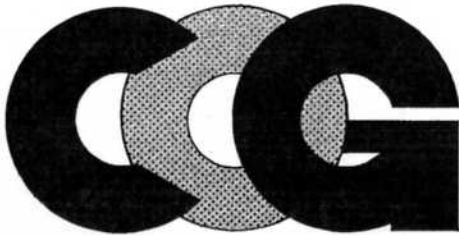




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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Gary Nolte, Past District Governor; Polio Eradication District Chairman – "Polio Eradication; the Final Push"

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

"The Importance of Manufacturing in the U.S. and the Greater Bemidji Area" – Jim Bensen and Larry Young

Important Dates to Remember

Brisbane, Australia – Rotary International Conference
June 1-4, 2003

Coming in October

October 7 – Manufacturers' Week – Jim Bensen and Larry Young

October 14 – District Governor Al Watrel (Governor Watrel will meet with fellow Rotarians on October 13th at 6:00 p.m. at the Northern Inn.)

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October 21 – Trip to Concordia Language Village for Indian meal with our Indian Exchange Student

October 28 – Ridgeway Neighborhood Project report

Rose Distribution

Your assistance is needed to distribute roses on October 4 and 5. It's a fun job!! Sign up today.

Playhouse Project Workers Needed

Our next major fundraising project promises to be fun for everyone involved. We plan to raffle off a large playhouse, but first we have to build it. That's where you come in. Following is a list of Rotarians who have already expressed interest in helping with the project. To join the building crew, contact Sue Doeden by phone (218-766-8926) or by e-mail (sdoeden@charter.net):

Building Crew:

Chris Keenan	Scott Turn
Bill Herried	Mark Shough
Marilyn Heltzer	Melissa Tolman
Penny Echternach	Curt Lundquist
Phil Olson	Al Bontrager
Dick Haugo	Steve Inkle
Joanne Torfin	Scott Kurtzweg
Mike Kelsey	Tom Reise
Jeremy Fayette	Sue Doeden

It's not too late!! Join the Crew today!!

Rotary Around the World Designated Driver Campaign Saves Lives in Ohio, USA

In an effort to save lives during the winter holiday season, the Rotary Club of Troy, Ohio, USA, began a designated driver program in 1998. The goal is to ensure that all holiday revelers in Miami County have a sober companion to drive them home from parties. The plan appears to be working. In 1998, the county reported six alcohol-related traffic deaths. That number dropped to two in 1999, one in 2000, and one in 2001.

The Troy club, along with the Piqua, Sidney, Tipp City, and West Milton clubs, distributes gold buttons bearing the Rotary wheel and the words "Designated Driver" to businesses throughout the country. During the 2001 holiday season, 20,000 buttons were distributed. Troy Rotarian Michael Pope, who initiated the effort, says that all clubs in District 6670 are being invited to participate this year. Pope says the program is inexpensive and easy, helps save lives, and raises Rotary awareness in the community.

(Junk) Food for Thought

Cheez Whiz: Invented by Kraft laboratory technicians in 1951. According to *The Encyclopedia of Pop Culture*, they were looking for a cheese product that wouldn't clump or "disintegrate into ugly, oily wads of dairy fat glop," like real cheese did when heated. It was first test-marketed to housewives in 1952; they found 1,304 different uses for it.

Pretzels: According to legend, pretzels were invented by an Italian monk during the Middle Ages because he wanted something he could give to children who memorized their prayers. He rolled dough into a long rope and shaped it so it looked like arms folded in prayer. He called his salty treats *pretioles*, Latin for "little gift".