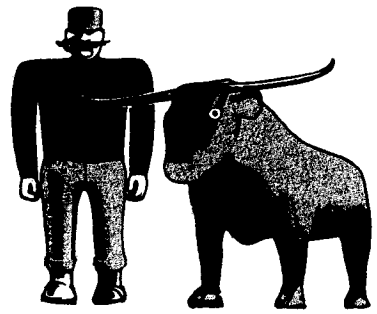
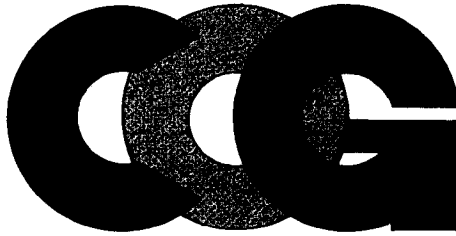


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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Men's & Women's Hockey – Bruce Olson (Women's) & Tom Serratore (Men's)

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

To Be Announced

Important Dates to Remember

Brisbane, Australia – Rotary International Conference
June 1-4, 2002

Annual Winnipeg International Goodwill Conference
February 21-22, 2003

Service, Search for Justice Motivate Canadian Scholar

Amritha Fernandes-Bakshi takes inspiration from the Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore, who found joy in duty. "I, too, believe that it is through serving others that we realize our deepest joy," said the 27-year old from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, one of 70 inaugural Rotary World Peace Scholars.

Sponsored by District 5270, Fernandes-Bakshi embarks this month on a master's degree program in conflict resolution at the University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, England. The university hosts one of seven Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution worldwide.

Of Indian descent, Fernandes-Bakshi said her desire to serve was sparked by visits to India, where she saw "the need for individuals who could play an advocacy role on behalf of the less fortunate."

In 2000-01, as a Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar at the University of Cape Town, South Africa, she studies the workings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission that addressed the country's apartheid past. After that year, she interned in the office of the inspecting judge at the Pollsmoor Prison in Cape Town, another experience that strengthened her desire to explore alternative approaches to justice.

Returning home, Fernandes-Bakshi completed a law degree at the University of Alberta. She has an undergraduate degree in political science and a master's in international development.

She sees the Rotary World Peace Scholarship "as a means of participating in an international effort to unite people dedicated to the use of multidimensional and restorative processes found in conflict resolution." She plans to focus on "restoring relationships and promoting healing" rather than on the often-adversarial nature of the legal system.

Taken from Rotary World, September 2002

Holy Punctuation!

*What's the difference between good and evil?
Maybe just a little grammar. The following are
excerpts from real church bulletins.*

"This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends."

"Wednesday, the Ladies Liturgy Society will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing, 'Put Me In My Little Bed,' accompanied by the Pastor.

"On Sunday, a special collection will be taken to defray the expense of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet, come forward and get a piece of paper."

"A bean supper will be held Saturday evening in the church basement. Music will follow.

"This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Johnson to come forward and lay an egg on the altar."

"The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon."