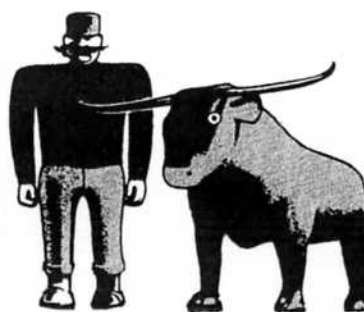
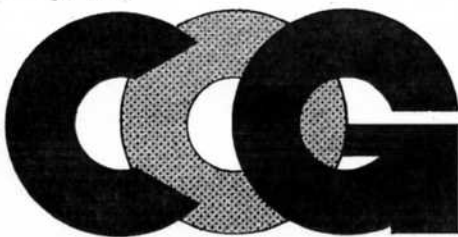




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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Latin America Rotary Aid (LARA) 2003 – Santa Barbara, Honduras

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Vipul Shaha Presentation – Rotary Exchange Student from India

Important Dates to Remember

Brisbane, Australia – Rotary International Conference

June 1-4, 2002

District Conference – May 1-3, 2003 – Fargo, ND

Donation

Boy Scouts - \$400

Playhouse Host Schedule

The newly completed Rotary Playhouse displayed prominently at the Home, Sport and Travel Show this past weekend will go "on the road" for continued ticket sales. If your friends want to see before they buy, here's the schedule: (They're sure to be impressed!!)

April 14	AmeriPride
April 21	Paul Bunyan Telephone
April 28	Wells Fargo @ Westridge
May 5	First Realty
May 12	Citizens State Bank
May 19	Edward Jones @ 1008 Paul Bunyan Drive Location
May 26	Blockbuster
June 2	Slumberland
June 9	Kelsey's
June 16	First National Bank - Downtown
June 23	Chamber of Commerce
June 30	Security Bank USA @ downtown auto bank

Prayers Requested

Former Rotarian Laura McCaughan is recovering from surgery and she asks that we remember her in our prayers. Laura's address is 411 Geary Avenue NE, Bagley, MN 56621. Her e-mail is psalm@gvtl.com.

Thanks Kevin!!

Ted Will recently requested the use of a garage for storage of medical supplies for Honduras. He reports that Kevin Williamson has graciously volunteered space for the several months needed. Thanks Kevin!

Rotary Around the World

Small but Active on Fiji's Garden Island

For a small club that was chartered just over a year ago (February 2002), the Rotary Club of Taveuni Island, Fiji (District 9920), has already had a huge impact on the area's 13,000 residents.

Besides sending a representative to New Zealand for a regional convention of young leaders, the club has given new toothbrushes to children, distributed 4,000 books among 13 local schools, and initiated an annual "Keep Taveuni Clean" project, picking up nine truckloads of roadside litter.

The club also has funded and started building a school library with an attached first aid clinic at Qeleni, accumulated children's clothing and supplies to the relief effort after a landslide on Fiji's Rabi Island, and funded annual school fees for several surviving children from a Rabi Island boat sinking.

Other projects for this tiny but active club include constructing classroom furniture for Qeleni Primary School and acquiring wheelchairs for disabled, housebound Taveuni residents.

For the new Taveuni Hospital, the Rotary club has acquired a modern dental office set-up; provided bed linens, towels, curtains, and 12 wheelchairs for patient use; and assisted with provision of four truckloads of plants to landscape the hospital grounds.