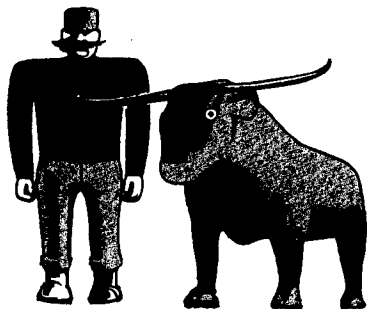
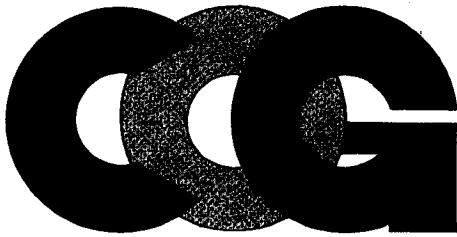


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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Fiscal Update: Paul Bunyan Playhouse--Hugh Welle and Ron Cuperus

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Heritage Resources of the Chippewa National Forest--Bill Yourd

Important Dates to Remember

Rotary District Meeting - April 30 - May 2, 2004, Detroit Lakes - Reasonable Rates at Americinn. Family participation is encouraged and family activities are planned. Contact Sue Krigen for further information and register soon!

Osaka, Japan - Rotary International Conference - May 23-26, 2004.

Rotary Youth Leadership

Deadline for the RYLA award scholarship is April 15. Please urge your favorite High School Junior or Senior to get their application in for this exciting scholarship opportunity. For information, contact Hank Imsande.

Rotary Around the World

Rotarians and Interactors from District 3190 in India held a seminar to address the need for water conservation in the area. After hearing from experts in the field, the 43 Interact clubs in attendance were encouraged to develop programs to conserve water and reduce waste in areas with heavily polluted or inadequate water supplies. The three best programs received an award.

A Matching Grant between the Rotary clubs of Polana, Mozambique, and Pretoria-Hatfield, South Africa, supported the purchase of more than 200 Braille slates for a literacy project for the blind. Essential for writing in Braille, the slates were designed and produced by the Rotary Club of Pretoria, South Africa. Similar projects are underway in Swaziland and on the island of Mauritius.

The Rotary Club of Cartagena, Colombia, teamed up with Rotarians from U.S. districts 7690 and 5160 to expand and improve a local hospital. Using Matching Grants and District Designated Funds, the international partners furnished a new ward to be used in the treatment of leukemia at the Hospital Napoleon Franco Pareja.

RIBI District 1130 was on parade at the annual Lord Mayor's Show in London. Leading the procession were RIBI President-elect Gordon McNally and RI Director David Morgan. Behind them were dozens of walkers, including nine Youth Exchange students. The object of the entry was to project a high profile of Rotary, both to the thousands lining the parade route and the three million-plus viewers watching on TV throughout Britain.

April Birthdays

Jack Naylor	April 1
Ken Schlichting	April 4
Ben Miller	April 5
Bill Sanford	April 5
Jim Bensen	April 8
Brad Bruer	April 14
Jane Killgore	April 19
Doug Cann	April 23
Kim Marty	April 23
Rick Goeb	April 23
Phil Olson	April 23
Duane Christensen	April 24
Helen Gill	April 24
Dan Johnson	April 26
Mark Shough	April 27
John Ostrem	April 28
Steve Inkel	April 30

Playhouse Project Update

Tickets are now available for the Rotary Playhouse Project. Please pick yours up from Scott Turn who is coordinating the project. Once they see it, they won't be able to resist!! The playhouse will be on exhibit around the community with locations to be announced. The first week, it will be displayed at First Realty. Let's all get behind this major fundraising effort.

