



February 7, 2005

This Week's Program

Headwaters Finance Corporation – Susan Hoosier

Next Week's Program

County Building Projects – Tony Murphy

Important Dates to Remember

Chicago, USA – *Rotary International Conference*
(Centennial Celebration) – June 18-25, 2005

Annual Goodwill Conference, February 4-6, 2005
Winnipeg, Manitoba – See President Warren for
Details

Visiting Rotarians

JoAnne Sandwick of Fosston
Louis Erdrich of Red Lake

February Birthdays

William Howe	February 1
Wayne Dondelinger	February 8
Emily Lahti	February 9
Thomas Schwartz	February 15
Kevin Church	February 16
Amy Saeland	February 17
John Reff	February 20
Lori Paris	February 21
Lowell Gillett	February 23
Dennis Vorgert	February 24

**Bemidji Rotary Supports to the Tsunami
Victims**

Bemidji Rotarians have donated \$3,010 in funds to the Tsunami disaster. Supported groups included: Rotary Foundation, St. Philips Church, Red Cross, Save the Children, Catholic Relief Services, Methodist-Relief Fund, and Lutheran World Relief.

Boys & Girls Club of Bemidji Ice Rink

The Boys & Girls Club outdoor ice rink is moving ahead and may be completed the week of February 7.

Paul Harris Banquet

The Paul Harris Fellowship Banquet is scheduled for **March 4**. The banquet is in honor of all Paul Harris Fellows including the newest Rotarian to be given this prestigious honor, Sue Kringen.

Cabin Fever Reliever

Changing attitudes in latitudes! Join us on Tuesday, April 5, from 5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on Rotary Island at San Philipè.

There are limited Corporate Sponsorships available at just \$500. With your corporate sponsorship you will receive:

- ❖ Eight Cabin Fever Reliever Dinner tickets and reserved seating.
- ❖ Corporate Logo on Cabin Fever Reliever Marketing
- ❖ Corporate Logo Banner at event
- ❖ Corporate Sponsor recognition on Rotary Website

Join us for a great night of food and festivities on April 5. All proceeds will help fund the technology room at the Boys & Girls Club.

Northern Inn vs. Hampton Inn

Looks like we'll be staying where we are at for the time being. The Northern Inn received the majority votes.

Nsubane Garden Project

This is an excerpt from Tessa's personal journal. She is talking about Elmon, a young man that is hired to work with her as an interpreter and liaison with the community leaders. He is also the leader of the Garden Committee.

Tessa writes... "I'm pretty happy. I think part of it is that my counterpart's happiness and excitement is rubbing off on me and just knowing I have something good to tell him makes me happy and smiley. Elmon is SUPER excited about the marketplace garden project and that things are coming together. He's so proud! This is the first sort of development project that has ever taken off in Nsubane. He thinks it's because of me...or because of the lucky rabbit's foot he now has! But, really, it's all him...I just wish he could see it. I'm just helping with the money part and that's not really me either. That's mostly the Rotary Club. I'm so glad there is someone in Nsubane who is motivated and eager and on the ball...and I'm glad I know him. He is inspiring people. You should see the other groups pop up with ideas as soon as they saw that something is actually happening in Nsubane. They just needed a role model and now they found one...my brother...Elmon Dlamini."