

July 16, 2007

This Week's Program
Re-dedication of Babe at the Waterfront

Next Week's Program
Bemidji Symphony Orchestra – Dr Beverly Everett, Music Director

Important Dates to Remember

Lake Bemidji Dragon Boat Festival

August 3-4, 2007, Bemidji Waterfront

Rotary International Convention

June 15-18, 2008, Los Angeles, CA

Recent Rotarian Visitor

Gene Gordon, Dubuque, IA

Proposed for Membership

Carol Nelson, North Star Materials, HR Mgr

Brad Wahl, ODC, Division Coordinator

Playhouse Sign Up

Last year, around \$3,000 in ticket sales for the playhouse occurred at the Beltrami County Fair. Let's see if we can top that figure this year! To sign up for selling tickets at the Fair, see **Scott Turn**.

Dragon Boat Festival

Last year, 36 teams competed in the Dragon Boat Race. Already this year, 61 teams have registered (at the latest report). The festival will open with a parade on August 3. The Concordia Language Villages' Sen Lin Hu Chinese Language Village will lead the opening ceremonies with a dragon and drum crew. Dragon boat teams will also participate in the ceremonies. Music, food, activities and cultural events can all be enjoyed at the waterfront. The festival is open to the public, and there is no charge to spectators.

Board Meeting Schedule

With the beginning of the new Rotary year, board meetings will continue with the current schedule on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at Lueken's North Meeting Room at 7:00 a.m.

Thanks Piano Movers

Thanks go to **Scott Turn** and **Kevin Erpelding** for moving the piano to our new meeting location. Sounds great to hear **Wayne Hoff** "tickling the ivories" again.

New Club Structure

With the beginning of the new Rotary year, president **Gary Johnson** has outlined a new club structure as suggested by Rotary International. The board itself has been expanded from eight to ten members to provide leadership for the following areas:

CLUB ADMINISTRATION – **Jim Ghostley** –

Conducts activities associated with the effective operation of the club – *Subcommittees*: Programs, Attendance, Song Leader, Sergeant at Arms, Club Bulletin/COG, Website, Club Constitution/Bylaws

MEMBERSHIP – **Terry Matson** – Develops and implements an action plan for recruiting, retaining, and educating club members – *Subcommittees*: New Member Orientation, Recruitment, Retention

SERVICE PROJECTS – **George Welte** – Develops and implements educational, humanitarian, and vocational service projects that help our community and communities in other countries – *Subcommittees*: Youth Exchange, Playhouse, Dragon Boat Festival, Rose Sale, LARA, RYLA, Rotaract, 4-Way Test, Grants

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – **Nancy Smith** –

Develops and implements a plan to support the Foundation through program participation and financial contributions – *Subcommittees*: Alumni, Group Study Exchange, Annual Foundation Banquet, Ambassadorial Scholarship

PUBLIC RELATIONS – **Amy Saeland** – Develops a plan to provide the public with information about Rotary and promotes the club's service projects and activities – Achieving club public relation goals, familiarizing with RI resources, creating awareness of club activities, work with media, helping to create a public image conducive to membership development.

Each club member is requested to select at least two areas in which to be involved.