

February 25, 2008

This Week's Program
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Next Week's Program
Classification Talk – Wayne Hoff

Important Dates to Remember

District 5580 Conference

May 1-4, 2008, Dickinson, ND

Rotary International Convention

June 15-18, 2008, Los Angeles, CA

Dragon Boat Festival

August 1-2, 2008

Upcoming March Programs

Mar10 Club Assembly
(Club Constitution & Bylaws)
Mar 17 Bemidji School of TaeKwonDo

Welcome New Member

Ashli Bowen, Executive Director of the United Way of the Bemidji Area

Recent Rotarian Visitor

Dan Eickenberry, Asst District Governor, Walker Rotary Club

Grants Approved

Paul Bunyan Playhouse, Bemidji Food Shelf, and the Martin Luther King Freedom Walk Essay Contest.

New Member Orientation

Previously scheduled for February 21st, the New Member Orientation is changed to February 28th at noon at the 4West Building across from the post office. Contact **Curt Lundquist** for more information.

Dragon Boat Festival

Teams that register before March 1st can save \$100. After that date it's \$750. Contact **Shelly Geerdes**, **Amy Saeland** or **Gary Johnson** for more information.

Dist 5580 Governor's Challenge Recipients

Several Bemidji Rotarians have been recognized as winners of the District 5580 Governor's Challenge: **Penny Echternach**, **Evonne McKinzie**, **Amy Saeland** and **Nancy Smith**. There is still time to turn in your completed forms to **Gary Johnson**.
The challenge deadline is April 15, 2008.

Dist 5580 Governor's Challenge

Instructions: Complete the Governor's Challenge by scoring 101 points or more through participation in the following Rotary activities. Winners will each receive a special pin from Governor **Jim Ozbun** and a surprise at the May, 2008 District Conference. As always, the Four Way Test applies.

CLUB ACTIVITIES (Points)

1. **(15) Attend SIX** regularly scheduled club meetings in a row (makeups O.K).
2. **(10) Wear your Rotary pin** 14 days in a row.
3. **(10) Do a makeup** at another club **within** the district.
4. **(20) Do a makeup** at another club **outside** the district.
5. **(15) Do a banner exchange** with another club outside the district.
6. **(20) Bring a guest** to a Rotary meeting.
7. **(55) Sponsor a new member.**
8. **(10) Attend a session of your club's board meeting** (if not a member).
9. **(20) Serve on one of your club's standing committees** during 2007-2008.
10. **(25) Serve as a club officer or director** 2007-2008.
11. **(20) Participate in a club Fellowship** activity.
12. **(20) Participate in a club International Service** project.
13. **(20) Participate in a club Community Service** project.
14. **(20) Participate in a club Vocational Service** project.
15. **(20) Bonus:** do all four of the previous activities and earn additional points.

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

16. **(31) Attend Governor Jim's Official Visit** to your club.
17. **(30) Attend the 2007-2008 District Foundation Seminar.**
18. **(45) Serve on a district level committee.**
19. **(30) Attend either the 2007 or 2008 District Assembly.**
20. **(40) Register for the 2008 District Conference** in Dickinson, ND.

FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES

21. **(45) Become or renew a Sustaining Membership** (\$100 US or more).
22. **(85) Become or extend a Paul Harris Fellowship** (\$1,000 US or more).