

January 12, 2009

**This Week's Program**  
*Partnership for Affordable Energy – Christina Pierson*  
**Next Week's Program**  
*Classification Talk*

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Goodwill Meeting - Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada**  
– February 20-21, 2009  
**“Discover the Magic” – District 5580 Conference**  
– Minot, ND - April 23-26, 2009  
**Rotary International Convention –**  
**Birmingham, England - June 21-24, 2009**

**UPCOMING JAN-FEB PROGRAMS**

Jan 26 North Country Health Services  
Foundation  
Feb 2 Hunger Chair for District – **Scott  
Turn**  
Feb 9 Evergreen House  
Feb 16 Bemidji Public Library – Paul  
Ericsson  
Feb 26 Classification Talk

**TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP**

**Dan Olson**, Meritcare - from Thief River Falls

**DECEMBER PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

<b>Ryan Baer</b>	<b>Lori Paris</b>
<b>Duane Christensen</b>	<b>Lowell Pierce</b>
<b>Syd Corrigan</b>	<b>Gayle Quistgard</b>
<b>Joe Czapiewski</b>	<b>John Reff</b>
<b>Dennis Doeden</b>	<b>Tom Reise</b>
<b>Jeremy Fayette</b>	<b>Steve Rith-Najarian</b>
<b>Harold Fruetel</b>	<b>Ding Roholt</b>
<b>Shelly Geerdes</b>	<b>Amy Saeland</b>
<b>Jim Ghostley</b>	<b>Martin Sathre</b>
<b>Dick Haugo</b>	<b>Tom Schwartz</b>
<b>Jordan Hickman</b>	<b>Mark Shough</b>
<b>Wayne Hoff</b>	<b>Nancy Smith</b>
<b>Gary Johnson</b>	<b>Larry Stember</b>
<b>Chris Keenan</b>	<b>Manfred Tatzmann</b>
<b>Pat Kelly</b>	<b>Alice Thompson</b>
<b>Daryl Knoer</b>	<b>Joanne Torfin</b>
<b>Curt Lundquist</b>	<b>Scott Turn</b>
<b>Terry Matson</b>	<b>Dennis Vorgert</b>
<b>Evonne McKinzie</b>	<b>George Welte</b>
<b>John Ostrem</b>	<b>Ted Will</b>
<b>Karson Otness</b>	<b>Kevin Williamson</b>
<b>Wendy Otness</b>	<b>Larry Young</b>

**GOODWILL MEETING RESERVATION INFO**

A block of rooms has been reserved under Bemidji Noon Rotary for the 5580 District Conference. The reservations are for April 22 - April 26 so if you plan to attend, you need to reserve the dates you are interested in. The phone number for the Holiday Inn Conference Center is 1-800-468-9968. Reservations need to be made before April 8<sup>th</sup>. If you need any further information, contact **Amy Saeland**.

**EXCERPTS FROM MEMO OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR TULLY CHAMBER'S VISIT**

**Membership:** Driven by Rotarian **Larry Young** this club has one of the best new member orienting programs in the District. They have done a good job of recruitment and understand the need to bring in people motivated to Rotary ideals and “Service above Self”; not just warm bodies. Twenty-seven percent of their members are female and a good core of long lime (5-10 years plus) active members.

**Service Projects:** This club is curious, as they are stronger in international service projects than in local community. Some of their local projects are recognition type and some are environmental. In several cases, they simply write checks to local organizations. They were challenged to find good humanitarian (the “soft underbelly of the community”) local projects.

**Overall rating:** The members of this club are informed and engaged in full support of the four elements of an effective club because they are able to: sustain and/or grow their membership base; implement successful projects that address the needs of their communities and communities in other countries; support The Rotary Foundation through both program participation and financial contributions; and develop leaders capable of serving in Rotary beyond the club level.

*“Service is the rent we pay for being. It is the very purpose of life, and not something you do in your spare time”*

Marian Wright Edelman – children’s activist