

June 15, 2009

**This Week's Program**  
***Better Business Bureau - Sal DiLeo***  
**Next Week's Program**  
***Dragon Boat Festival – Gary Johnson***

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Rotary International Convention –  
Birmingham, England - June 21-24, 2009**  
**Dragon Boat Festival - July 30-Aug 1**  
**Bemidji Waterfront**

**UPCOMING JUNE/JULY PROGRAMS**

June 29	Club Assembly
July 6	Project Graduation – John Eggers
July 13	Jim Proebstle
July 20	Dairy Farming – Ben Osmonson
July 27	Waterfront
Aug 3	District Governor

**PADDLERS NEEDED**

Over sixty teams including three from Canada are now signed up for the Dragon Boat Festival, July 30-August 1. Paddlers are still needed for Rotary's entry. So here's your chance! You can help our club win the Civic Cup at this year's event by signing up to be a paddler. Last year we broke the ranks of the top 10, and we can expect even better results this year with your help. See **Jordan Hickman** to sign up for the big event.

**CAMERON PARK ROTARY PLAYGROUND**

**SUMMARY**

*WEATHER REPORT* for Saturday started sunny and cold 34 degrees at start time of 8:00, clouding over in the late morning and light sprinkles in the late afternoon; high of 50 degrees at quitting time of 5:15. Sunday was cloudy and cool 44 degrees at start time of 9:00, highs of 53 degrees at quitting time 2:15.

*ROTARY WORKERS:* **Chris Keenan, Tom Schwartz, John Reff, Ted Will, Jim Benson, Tom Reise, George Welte, Merle Olson, Scott Turn, Duane Christenson, Tom Welle, Ding Roholt, Karl Blessor** and his son Isaac, **Steve Inkel** and his wife Vicki.

*RYLA & ROTARACT WORKERS:* **Brian Schwartz, Shannon Wittner** and 2 others (names unknown).

***FUN FACTS ON THIS PROJECT:***

- 290 bags of concrete mix
- 30 concrete cookies, 30 posts over 80 collars and about 6 million bolts
- 9 play decks, a balcony a glass bottom viewing platform, a slides, a boogie board, a memory

board, a bubble panel, 2 ladders, a horizontal ladders, 2 chain climbers, a surf swing, lily pad steps, 2 rock walls, 2 talk tubes, a chin up bar, 2 incline ramps, a ring swing bar, and four swings at the swing set.

- Rotarians had a combined years of experience of OVER 850 YEARS.
- Rotarians provided over 150 hours of service in the installation of the playground, saving the city about \$7,500 in installation costs.

The playground was opened the weekend of June 13<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks go to **Steve Inkel** for chairing this wonderful project.

**ROTARY INDUCTED INTO POLIO HALL OF FAME**

To commemorate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Polio Hall of Fame recently inducted into membership the four spearheading partners of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative: Rotary International, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF.

The inductee organizations are honored on a large bronze plaque permanently displayed in front of the Polio Hall of Fame's monument outside the Founders Hall at the Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation in Georgia, USA. The plaque details their contributions to ongoing polio eradication efforts.

**ROTARY PLAYHOUSE**

If you are interested in selling Playhouse tickets at Lueken's South where the playhouse is now on display, you can pick up the key at the Customer Service Desk. Please turn in your sold books of tickets to **Amy Saeland** to help with the accounting process. If you have not yet picked up your tickets, they are available weekly at the Registration Table before each meeting. Members are asked to sell a minimum of two books (a total of twenty tickets). Our goal is to surpass our sales from last year and continue funding important community projects that have relied on our help in the past. Contact **Scott Turn** for questions on the Playhouse.