

March 1, 2010

This Week's Program
LARA – Gary Johnson
Next Week's Program
TBD

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT 5580 CONFERENCE –

May 13-16, 2010 **Winnipeg, Canada**

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION –

June 20-23, 2010 **Montreal, Quebec**

UPCOMING MAR PROGRAMS

Mar 15 GSE Team * Evening Meeting *
Mar 22 Haiti – Abby Nelson
Mar 29 Classification Talk

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Steve Hostetter	Mar 1
Larry Stember	Mar 2
Carol Nelson	Mar 5
Lowell Pierce	Mar 8
Karl Blesser	Mar 9
Bob Fitzgerald	Mar 9
Leonore Potter	Mar 12
Debbie Drinkard-Grovum	Mar 14
Dave Lubke	Mar 18
John Lueth	Mar 19
Joanne Torfin	Mar 23
Steve Rith-Najarian	Mar 28
Kevin Cease	Mar 31

SHELTERBox UPDATE

According to Diane Collins at the District 5580 office, as of February 15th our district has contributed over \$40,000, which will provide 40 ShelterBoxes. Remember that each ShelterBox provides food and shelter to 10 people. Thank you, Rotarians!

BSU SCHOLARSHIP

The Bemidji Rotary Club is once again offering an annual \$1,000 scholarship to an exemplary BSU student. If you are a U.S. citizen who is either active in Rotaract or is a child/grandchild of an active Rotarian, please complete and turn in the application no later than March 19, 2010. Applications are available by contacting Joe Czapiewski, BSU Rotaract Advisor, at jczapiewski@bemidjistate.edu.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: March 4th, 7:15 a.m., at Lueken's North Meeting room. Rotarians are welcome guests.

DISTRICT 5580 CONFERENCE

The District 5580 conference held in Winnipeg, Canada on May 13-16 is approaching quickly. The board has earmarked \$770 to encourage more of our members to attend this conference. The cost of the registration and the banquet dinner (\$110) would be reimbursed with receipts turned in to **Dennis Vorgert**. Make your lodging arrangements as soon as possible; if you have questions, contact **Amy Saeland**. Contact **John Reff** for more information on the bus from Brainerd coming though Bemidji to the conference. Remember that U.S. residents will need a valid passport. For more information on the conference, check out our website: www.bemidjirotary.com.

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

One thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve. *Albert Schweitzer*

Do not think you are on the right road just because it is a well-beaten path.

Whatever advice you give, be brief. *Horace*