

May 5, 2010

This Week's Program
Rotary Exchange Student – Fran Rose Vallejos – Kirsten Addison
Next Week's Program
Rotary Exchange Student – Quentin Delextrat – Kirsten Addison

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT 5580 CONFERENCE –

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

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION –

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

UPCOMING MAY PROGRAMS

May 17 Habitat for Humanity – Judy Reese

May 24 Bemidji Food Shelf – Carolyn
Hegland

May 31 **MEMORIAL DAY – NO ROTARY**

RECENT ROTARIAN VISITORS

Sue Tomte, Park Rapids

Bruce Campbell, Bemidji Sunrise

Tom Hruby, Bemidji Sunrise

Bill Batchelder, Bemidji Sunrise

Mike Moen, Bemidji Sunrise

Warren Meissner, Bemidji Sunrise

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Kevin Erpelding May 1

Jim Smyithe May 2

Wayne Hoff May 3

Larry Young May 4

Cliff Tweedale May 5

Jim Hess May 14

Ray Carlson May 21

Bob Welle May 21

Bob Vaadeland May 25

PLAYHOUSE TICKETS AVAILABLE

If you have not yet picked up your Playhouse tickets, please do so today. The Playhouse project is one of our major fundraisers, and with every member's support, we can make it a big success!

The winning ticket will be drawn at the Lake Bemidji Dragon Boat Festival, Downtown Waterfront on August 7, 2010.

DRAGON BOAT UPDATE

Registration for the 2010 Dragon Boat Festival now stands at 49 with 10 new registrants! Looks like we're on line to beat last year's record. The cut-off

for registration will be in early July, so now is a good time to line up your team and register soon.

SAVE THE DATE

The Park Rapids Rotary Club will hold their annual golf tournament on August 25, and all Rotarians are invited to participate. Check with **President John** for details.

EARTH DAY OBSERVANCE

Rotary was among several community organizations and businesses that celebrated the 40th anniversary of Earth Week. Thanks to the Rotary volunteers who helped clean up the Lake Bemidji waterfront and spiffed up the picnic pavilion.

REQUEST FROM NORTHERN DENTAL ACCESS CENTER

We have a potential visiting dentist who can work here at Northern Dental Access Center during the month of June. He is from Winona (an instructor at Rochester Community and Technical College), and would be traveling there for some weekends, but we need to provide lodging for him during most of his stay. If you know of anyone who might have a home to share for a minimal cost, or if you have any other creative ideas, then we can take advantage of this great opportunity to serve many children and families this summer with much needed dental care.

If you can help, contact **Jeanne Edevold Larson** at 444-9646 or by cell at 556-0975.

RI CONVENTION COUNTDOWN

Online registration for the Rotary International Convention in Montreal, Quebec, June 20-23 is open through May 31 at www.rotary.org/convention. New rules that went into effect June, 2009, mean that U.S. and Canadian citizens who used to cross the land border with just a driver's license should now remember to pack their passports.

HONORING MOM ON MAY 9TH

To all the moms out there, Happy Mother's Day!