



GOLDEN NUGGETS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today, February 28 – Rob Medina of CINQ (Citizens Involved in the Northwest Quadrant) will describe his group's efforts in opposing the possible freeway through the town of Golden.

March 7 – Vince Matthews, the Colorado state geologist, will speak on the status of mineral exploration and exploitation in the state of Colorado.

March 9 - Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 am. at Guaranty Bank. All members are welcome. Advise Prez Eileen if you plan to attend.

March 14 – John Southers, Colorado Attorney General, will join us to speak about developments in the attorney general's office. With the various current issues in law enforcement in Colorado, Mr. Souther's comments will be especially pertinent. Be sure to attend this meeting and bring spouses, friends and other interested parties to this significant meeting.

Planning ahead a bit further into the future be sure you have the following programs on your calendar. The **Golden Rotary Ethics in Business luncheon**, Thursday, April 20th.

Rotary District 5450 Annual Conference, April 28-30, 2006, Vail, Colorado. And a bit further into the future, The **Golden Rotary Golf Tournament**, Friday, June 2, 2006 at Fossil Trace Club. The **2006 International Convention** will be held June 11-14, 2006, in Malmo, Sweden and Copenhagen, Denmark.

ALERT - HACKERS AT IT AGAIN

To follow up on the email alert sent to all Golden Rotary members on February 21st, we want to remind everyone again about the **Urgent Security Alert** that was received from the District 5450 office and eClub One.

It seems that hackers have gained access to the eClub One email address list and are using it to infect any other computers that may have email addresses with eClub One. We have included the text of the Security Alert that was received from District 5450 and eClub One to help minimize the potential for our members to fall victim to this malicious scheme.

The message that was sent out by **Chris Joscelyne**, the president of Rotary eClub One is as follows.

“MALICIOUS WORM TARGETS ROTARY MEMBERS - AN EMAIL SIGNED "Virtually yours, The Rotaryclubone Support Team" IS A FAKE. THE ATTACHMENT CONTAINS A VIRUS. DELETE THE EMAIL UPON RECEIPT.

The Rotary eClub One email address list has been harvested and there have been several reports that the MYTOB WORM is using Rotary eClub One as a random alias and email signatory to trick recipients into infecting their computers.

The damage potential of this worm is high. The worm gathers target email addresses from the Windows Address Book. This action allows this worm to send a copy of itself to other contacts. Other recipients may unsuspectingly open the attached copy, thus further affecting a greater number of computers.

It may also generate email addresses by using a list of names appended with a domain name, which it copies from previously harvested email addresses.

This memory-resident worm has backdoor capabilities. Using a random port, it connects to an Internet Relay Chat (IRC) server. Once a connection is established, it joins an IRC

channel, where it listens for commands from a remote user. The commands are executed locally on the affected computer. This action effectively compromises the affected system's security.

Here is the fake message that is being circulated

Subject: Email Account Suspension

Dear Rotaryclubone Member,

Your e-mail account was used to send a huge amount of unsolicited spam messages during the recent week. If you could please take 5-10 minutes out of your online experience and confirm the attached document so you will not run into any future problems with the online service.

If you choose to ignore our request, you leave us no choice but to cancel your membership.

**Virtually yours,
The Rotaryclubone Support Team**

If you receive this email message, delete it and do not open the attachment. **Please note** - our Webmaster and our Secretary are never referred to as "**The Rotaryclubone Support Team**". Any email signed in this manner should be deleted immediately."

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE IS SET

As most members of Golden Rotary know the 2006 District 5450 Annual Conference will take place at the Vail Marriott Mountain Resort and Spa in Vail, Colorado, from **Friday, April 29 thru Sunday, April 30, 2006.**

One of the first steps in getting ready to attend the event is to register for the conference. Each Golden Rotarian has received, at a recent Tuesday meeting or in the mail if you weren't at that meeting, a district conference information package. The information circular on the conference describes all the details you will need to complete your conference registration and make hotel reservations at the Marriott. Information on both of these is found on page four of the circular.

Note that a key feature of registration is that it will again be handled "on-line." In past years

registration has taken place with hard copy forms. As noted previously, it appears that penmanship has been a neglected art in the past 50 years or so. As a result, the process of deciphering the information on the registration forms has rivaled the complexity of decoding the German and Japanese codes during WWII. It is hoped that the on-line registration will facilitate the registration process.

Conference Registration - Register for the conference itself by going to the District 5450 Internet web site at www.rotary5450.org and clicking on the District Conference link. If you need further conference registration information, contact **Gary Frisch** at (303) 759-2796 or at bfrmis@worldnet.att.net

Lodging Reservations - To sign up for lodging at the Vail Marriott call the Resort at 1-800-648-0720. Be sure to identify yourself as a participant in the Rotary District 5450 Annual Conference. This will provide the special rate of \$ 105 per night, including parking. Make your reservations no later than April 7th to receive this special rate. If you would like more information on the hotel, go to their website at www.VailMarriott.com.

RI THEME ANNOUNCED

We have just learned from the *Rotary International News*, a regular newsletter published by RI, that Rotary International's incoming president, **William B. Boyd** of New Zealand, has chosen *Lead the Way* as the theme for the 2006-07 Rotary year.

"This will be my theme and an affirmation of my belief in the power of Rotarians to change the world, one positive act at a time," he told incoming district governors at the International Assembly in San Diego, California, on February 17th, 2006.

Every year at the assembly, Rotary's incoming president unveils a theme for the next Rotary year. The current theme under RI President **Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar** is *Service Above Self*, the same as Rotary's longtime motto.

The challenge of finding a theme is that it must be short, inspirational, and translatable. President Boyd doesn't remember the moment

Lead the Way popped into his head. All he knows it that "it just felt right."

Since the governors-elect attend the International Assembly to learn more about becoming successful leaders in their districts, Boyd's theme was especially pertinent to the audience.

"In the coming year, I ask each of you to take your places as leaders in your districts and your communities," Boyd told the incoming governors. "I ask each of you to lead in the Rotary way, by living as role models of tolerance, unselfishness, and integrity. And because the best leaders have humility, I ask you to do all of this with friendliness and a smile, so that others will be happy to walk beside you."

Boyd concluded by saying, "As Rotarians, we are not content to let matters stay the way they have always been in our clubs or in our communities. We are not content with the status quo, and we do not look at a problem only to say someone else will solve it. We are the ones who ask, 'Why not us?' We are the ones with the skills and the desire to build a better future. And we are the ones who must *Lead the Way*."

WHY I AM A ROTARIAN

Thanks to our sharp eyed member, **Ken Kranz**, who has provided us with a number of items in the "What Paul Harris Said" series, we have another item which helps to encapsulate the essence of Rotary membership. The following item is attributed to our current RI president, **Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar**, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Goteborg, Sweden.

"When I was offered membership in a Rotary club, I remembered my father, who was a Rotarian, always speaking well of Rotary – never in detail, but always in the positive. Presented with the opportunity to help others in society less fortunate than I, it was not very difficult to accept such membership. I am fully aware that, like many others, my contribution will only be a drop in the ocean. However, as Mother Teresa said, 'Without that drop, the ocean will never be full.'

That is why I am a Rotarian."

ANANDA'S JAPANESE CHRISTMAS

In previous issues of the Nuggets we have published excerpts from **Ananda Valenzuela's** letters that describe her experiences as an exchange student in Japan during the current school year. In this issue we continue to include parts of her interesting and informative letters, in this case some additional material from her December letter, having to do with her Christmas experiences.

"Celebrating Christmas - I don't think I expected to celebrate Christmas in Japan. I had this vague idea of maybe receiving a box or two from the States, and opening them with little fanfare.... And Christmas would be over. About a week before Christmas, my host parents asked me what I wanted for Christmas. I looked at them, lost. What in the world was the "socially correct" answer to a question like that? I answered as vaguely as I could, easy to do since there wasn't really anything I wanted for Christmas. My host family is no big fan of anime, but there are some classics everyone loves- such as Hayao Miyazaki's films. So I said, "well, Totoro is cute..."

Christmas Eve. My grandparents ate dinner with us. The main dish was a big whole chicken. It was the first time I had ever eaten such a "traditional" Christmas dinner, as I'm used to Mexican food. After that, we had Christmas cake, the one tradition followed seemingly all over Japan. The stores begin to display their custom "Christmas cakes" by Halloween.

I went to sleep relatively early, because my parents hinted that I should wake up early, since "Santa is coming." On Christmas morning, I awoke to find that my younger brother was at soccer practice, so we had to wait until his arrival to open gifts. I was then amazed to find myself the recipient of not only a cute Totoro stuffed animal, but a whole array of Totoro products! My host siblings even gave me gifts.

So it wasn't exactly like a Christmas in America, but closer than I expected. In Japan, usually the only Christmas gift giving is from parents to their children. Yuiko and Kyohei have school on December 26th and 27th. The only reason I don't is because my school is Catholic. Even though there is an abundance of Christmas decorations

and carols pervading any store you go into, my younger brother still remarked carelessly, in the early afternoon, "huh... today is Christmas, isn't it?" in a sort of indifference that I find hard to envision in most American children. But for someone who was expecting nothing, I had a pleasant Christmas.

Icicles - I know I can only get away with so much. Sure, my photo album abounds with odd random photos, but I try my best to only include photographs that can only be taken in Japan. Which is why I resisted my strong urge to photograph icicles.

Icicles? My younger host brother looked at me oddly. Don't you have those in America? They are beautiful! They are oddly unique, they beg to be broken off and played with, to be praised highly. How often do you come across icicles longer than your arm? When the sun comes out, its light is caught in the glistening drops that fall from icicles as they begin to melt.

With this in mind, I think of my exchange as a whole. In essence, my newsletter is about how Japan is different from America. I find things fascinating because they are not the same. Often, I will point out a random thing I notice to a Japanese person, and they will look at me oddly and ask me why in the world that is at all interesting. Which makes me wonder, how much do I take for granted, do I find boring, because I find it "normal"? So I challenge you. Go out today, and appreciate something "normal." I can't give you directions, but I can tell you- if you can do so, you will be amazed. See, smell, taste, touch, and hear... But make it something you never normally appreciate. Stop and take a second look at something you see every day. If a full day passes and you find yourself unable to do so, I pity you. You must live in a very boring world."

The Nuggets will continue to include Ananda's fascinating and insightful comments as we receive them in the future.

NEWS ITEMS

GOLF TOURNEY FLYERS AVAILABLE – The promotional flyers for the 5th Annual International Classic golf tournament, sponsored by Golden Rotary Club, are now available for distribution to your friends, relatives, neighbors, business associates and any others who might

relish an enjoyable June afternoon on the links. The event will be held on **Friday afternoon, June 2nd, 2006** at the award winning Fossil Trace Golf Club in Golden.

PICK UP YOUR NEW CLUB ROSTERS – Thanks to all the hard work of our club historian and all around good fellow, **Dana Moran**, Golden Rotary now has an up to date club roster, as of information provided to him by February 17th. The rosters can be picked up at the Tuesday morning meetings. Dana also reminds us that the rosters are for Rotary use only and not made available to persons outside the organization. He also reminds us to destroy the out of date issues to avoid confusion.

PAUL HARRIS SAID – In the October 11, 2005 issue of the Nuggets we initiated a series of comments that were made by **Paul Harris** during his long tenure in Rotary.

In the publication *This Rotarian Age* in 1935 he made the following observation. "Rotary has satisfactorily demonstrated the fact that friendship can easily hurdle national and religious boundary lines."

CLUB MEETING TIME CONFIRMED – President **Eileen Schurmann** and her Board want to remind all members that we should arrive at our Tuesday morning meetings in time to start breakfast at 7:15 am so that we can begin our meetings at 7:30 am. That schedule will allow our speakers to have the full one half hour we have promised them. It will also permit us to wrap up the meetings at 8:30 am so people can be off to their days in timely fashion. All that means we'll have to begin arriving at Rolling Hills by shortly after 7:00 am.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – As Golden Rotarians know, the club Board of Directors meets each month on the second Thursday at 7:30 am at Guaranty Bank in Golden. All members are welcome to join in the festivities and partake of breakfast and discussions with the assembled members of the board.

Minutes of the meetings are prepared for each meeting, usually by Secretary **Larry Fike**, or in his absence by whomever is "volunteered" by President Eileen. These are always available to any member who would like to know what goes on and what sorts of significant discussions or momentous topics take place. To do so, just

contact Secretary Larry for a copy of the minutes.

FLOWER POWER EVENT A SUCCESS – A number of Golden Rotarians participated in this recent successful event. The effort delivered potted plants that had completed their tour of duty at the Colorado Garden and Home Show in Denver to persons in hospitals and various care centers in the area. The District 5450 event was coordinated by **Rex Stuck** of Arvada Rotary and drew Rotarians from all over the Metro area to assist in the project.

Rotarians gathered at the Convention Center on Sunday evening, February 19th to gather plants that had been used in various garden displays at the Show and to prepare them for shipment. The Rotarians were assisted by Boy Scouts from various troops in the area. The team reconvened on Monday morning to organize and then deliver the plants to their intended locations. Golden Rotarians delivered twenty-seven packing boxes of plants to both Lutheran Hospital in Wheatridge and to Canyon Gate Apartments in Golden. The Golden Rotary team was organized by **Dick Key** and **Heather Duncan**. Those who participated on Sunday included **Bob Short, Jan Zehr, Jim McGuigan** and **George Mitchell**. The Monday morning delivery team included **Bill Anstine, Jim Smith, George Mitchell, Dick Key,** and **Bob Neukirchner**, all of whom brought vehicles to handle the deliveries.

The only hiccup in the well-organized operation were your editarian's directions to the Monday morning pick up site. Rotarians were left a couple of blocks short but dealt with the problem quickly without missing a beat. Thanks to all who participated.

SEE THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER – The District 5450 newsletter for February reminds us that this month is Rotary World Understanding Month. **DG Norris Hermsmeyer** highlights Rotary efforts during the month to bring medical services to Mante, Mexico. Norris's comments and other district information is available at all times on the district website at www.rotary5450.org.

An interesting note is the recently adopted change in format for the newsletter. When you bring the February newsletter up, you receive an overview piece that provides a capsule summary of each of the stories and a link to the more

detailed write up. It's an easy way to take a quick look to see if there are items of specific interest to you. Give it a try.

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