



## What's Going on in Rotary

### World Wide

Christmas is a practice day. Men put into practice the best precepts that they have learned, the best that they know, the best that is possible for them to ever know. Giving takes the place of gaining. If the future growth of Rotary is as remarkable as its past and if Rotary remains true to its highest ideals, every day will be Christmas by and by. (From The Rotarian, December 1915)

### Clint's Corner

**(Editor's Note:** We are using **Clint's Corner** this week to continue the explanation of the District's program to promote a "Service above Self" day on March 10, 2007):

**Why** - This District wide initiative will bring together hundreds of Rotarians working on various Community Service projects throughout our District to: 1) Promote Rotary in District 5030, 2) Bring public awareness of Rotary and Service and 3) Unite District 5030 Rotarians in a common program.

**When** - March 10, 2007. (Projects to be completed on this one day).

**Who** - This project can be for any friend in the community. It could be for individuals who need our help such as a disabled individual, the elderly, ill or incapable. It could be for a school, a non-profit organization, a park or a highway. Or, we could continue a community service project on which we had previously worked. The choice is yours.

**Funding** - Any funding required for your project is the responsibility of your club. The focus of the project is maximum membership involvement..."SERVICE Above Self."

**Public Relations** - Club Public Relations Chair, please contact your local newspaper editors to coordinate press releases; offer to host a reporter at your event. To obtain maximum media exposure, take pictures and video, write a brief story about your project, then submit to District Public Project Coordinator, Terry Pickering. The district will work to assemble district-wide projects as an overview for potential media coverage.

**Project** - Please complete the Project Description Program (downloadable at left) and return it to me as soon as you can. We will use this information to maximize the publicity.

Please join the rest of our District's clubs on Saturday, March 10, 2007. While your club is helping someone in need, you will be supporting the District and your club in promoting Rotary in our community and around the world. Perhaps one day Rotarians around the world will join hands on the same day, promoting "SERVICE Above Self."

### In Our District

Per Rotary District 5030 DG Mike Montgomery, March 10, 2007 has been declared District "Service Above Self" Day, building on the success of our first such event (January 21st). District 7950 (Rhode Island, Cape Cod & the Islands and Southeastern MA) will dedicate March 10, 2007 as their "Service Above Self" day. Some of you may remember past Assistant Governor Stuart de Lima (who) relocated to the East Coast. Stuart brought the project concept to his district. They have joined us in this very exciting effort, and they have challenged us in a good-natured Service Above Self Day face-off. What's at stake? Each district has wagered twenty pounds of regional seafood: D-7950 with 20 pounds of fresh, live Main lobster and D-5030 with 20 pounds of Northwest King salmon to back up our wager! DG Mike Montgomery and the project committee will evaluate each D5030 club's activity, selecting two exceptional projects recognized for their unique "Rotary Signature." The two winning clubs will be treated to a lobster feast, should D-5030 take the prize. Our goal is simple: 100% club participation. (Continued under Clint's Corner)

### Upcoming Programs

Jan. 9 - Domestic Violence: A Serious Family and Public Health Issue - Vyrn Muir, M.D.

Jan. 16 - Rotary Run Day Program

Jan. 23 - Washington Education Foundation

Jan. 30 - Little Bit Therapeutic Riding Center - Kathy Alm, Executive Director.

### Upcoming Events

Jan. 13 - Rotary 1st Harvest Work Party

Jan. 18 - Club President's Mid-Year Dinner-Redmond Town Center.

Jan. 28 - Feb. 2 - International Assembly, San Diego, CA

### Milestones Birthdays

Jan. 5 - Peter Noone

Jan. 14 - Bob Williams

### Anniversaries

Jim and Joan Buckley - (50 yrs.)

Claude and Gail Layman - (43 yrs.)

Bob and Pat Kaercher - (42 yrs.)

Terry and Nancy Lee - (40 yrs.)

### In Our Club

**Guests:** Chuck Maylin

Dave Gallimore has succeeded Sam Sullivan as Course Marshal Coordinator for this year's Run Day. As such, he reminded us that he will be asking us to sign up soon for that function.

Sgt. at Arms Bruce Peters asked all WWII veterans to stand up. He then fined all those sitting at a table without a veteran \$1 for that indiscretion. He then fined Dorothy Reeck, of Roanoke fame, for publicity in the newspaper. She was not present, but Bruce will not forget. John Frazier also received publicity, which will cost him \$5, next time we see him. Finally, Roy Simperman was written up in the Puget Sound Business Journal, costing him \$5.

### Fables, Foibles & Fun

Jim Buckley rose to brag that he and Joan have been married 50 years.

Curt Nakayama received a card from Kaz Nomi in which he wished us all happy holidays and advised that he is currently trying to find the right Rotary Club to join in Hawaii.

Terry Lee reported that he and Nancy have recently celebrated their 40th anniversary. (Terry said it was legal then for girls to be married at 10 years of age. This fortunate remark precipitated a kiss from Nancy).

Bob Kaercher, not to be outdone, reported that he and Pat were married the day after Christmas 42 years ago.

Claude Layman announced that Gail married him on the 21st of December 43 years ago and asked that we remember that the 21st of December is the longest night of the year.

Harold Hill reported that his home was without power until Sunday night (10 + Days), but they still had a great time with the family. He donated \$6, \$1 for each grandchild.

Clint Prescott reported that Nancy is at home, feeling somewhat better and is capable of eating a modicum of solid food. This will enable her to gain some weight and strength, which she badly needs.

### New Members

Application for Membership has been received from Charles (Chuck) Maylin in the classification Advertising. Chuck and spouse Marcee are Mercer Island residents. Mark Scalzo is sponsor. Absent written objections, Chuck will be inducted into membership within 10 to 14 days.



## Member Profile Orm Sherwood (20 years of service)



Orm was born in a farmhouse in rural Ontario, Canada...a poor, immigrant child. He attended Ohio Wesleyan University. What did he study? Not much. He did not work for a while. He finally started at age 14 and is still working in the murky field of real estate investment and development. His family is divided between Mercer Island and Santa Barbara, Ca....both high rent districts. His favorite club service is the Roanoke Happy Hour. He does do outside service work. ("Shush"...he volunteered for 9 years on the MI Planning Commission.) Orm says, "Did we make a mess of that...or what?" He also served on the Board of Trustees of Medic One Foundation and on the Church Council of Trinity Lutheran Church. His hobbies include sailing and traveling to go sailing. As far as reading is concerned, while waiting for "The Memoirs of a Page Boy", he is agonizing with "An Inconvenient Truth". When he does finally make his classification talk, he will try not to forget anything at all. With regard to his favorite makeup, he likes the tangerine lip gloss ...but the rose hip cinnamon is nice, too. By now, we probably have guessed that Orm leads an independent, irresponsible, irreverent, uncooperative, "It's a Wonderful Life" existence. He concludes, "John, you are doing a great job, but sometimes you do not have much to work with".

### Today's Program

**Bob Baker** introduced our speaker, **Bob Bromm**, who has a long list of credentials in research and study of the various options in producing power for transportation purposes. His experience dates back to 1973. Mr. Bromm gave a viewgraph presentation, which covered the available sources of power, including coal, oil, natural gas, nuclear power and renewables such as water, wind and bio-diesel products. He then listed and talked about the advantages/disadvantages of various transportation power sources, such as all electric (plug-in), gasoline or biodiesel with electrical backup, electrical with gasoline/biodiesel backup and hydrogen. His conclusion was that nuclear power is the best alternative to oil for heating and industrial purposes. Nuclear power would also satisfy transportation purposes, via electric cars. To replace oil, we will need to triple production of electricity. Nuclear power is the answer and all of the problems of such power plants have excellent solutions, including the radioactive waste from fuel rods, which can be recycled to negate waste disposal problems.

### Story of the Week

George called his son as Christmas approached and announced, "Your mother and I are getting a divorce."  
The son protested that after 42 years of marriage, they should stay together. The father did not relent. The son quickly called his sister and told her of the problem. Very upset, his sister called her father and said, "Don't do it... at least don't do anything until we get there to talk about it. We'll be there tomorrow."  
George hung up the phone and said, happily, "It worked, Martha, both kids are coming home for Christmas ...and they are paying their own way!"

### Notable Quote

"Delusion is pulling in your stomach when you step on a scale." ... (Paul Sweeney)

Have a good week! ...Jim Marich

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