

## Rotary Tailgate Party – Joe Warner and Committee Chairs

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Our meeting today is a Club Assembly with a Super Bowl "tailgate party" theme. The event is entitled "Super Service Bowl XC" to coincide with the club's 90th anniversary in 2009.

The goal of this effort is to get club members to sign up for the various committees for the 2009-10 club year. Each of the four avenues of service "teams" -- Club, Community, International and Vocational -- will have a tailgate area and will be in competition to "daft and sign" new members to their committees.

On January 28, a "Draft Day" will be held to announce the membership rolls for each committee. There will be an opportunity for trades, acquisitions, etc., on that date.

Look for your favorite activity center and sign up before you get drafted.



### While You Slept

*(Copious Notes from last week's meeting)*

**By Dennis Baker**

- **President Dale** ("ChippenDale") opened the meeting with the sad news that **Reed Mitchell** had been hospitalized for a heart attack. It was the first time we realized that Reed has a heart. Reed's doing fine. As for a message to Rotary, Reed said, "Tell them to send money." Donations for Reed can be made to **Dennis Baker**.
- Sign up for the "**Gift of Life**": Blood donations will be taken from 11:30am to 1:30 pm, January 28 in Front of Two Rivers Convention Center. Rotarians always show up to donate their blood.
- **Kathy O'Shea** reminds us to buy your tickets to **Hospice's Black Tie & Boots** gala, January 17<sup>th</sup>.
- **Jane Quimby** reports that she spent the Holidays in Aspen investigating a bomb scare. She reports she was able to obtain a room in Aspen for a mere \$650 per night. That rate was ½ off the normal rate. She gets all the breaks. The rest of us paid full price.
- **Jeannie Thomas**, who taught **Susan Beede** to dance, will teach others at the Barn on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup>. Actually, **Chipper** took lessons with Susan, but Jeannie disclaims it, "Susan needs a new partner," She said.
- **Denny Mayer** fondly remembers the Christmas Party as the place and time where little **Mikey Burk** finally purchased Denny a drink. Mikey must have been feeling charitable that evening, because we have never seen him buy anyone a drink.
- **Dr. Mayer**, who has never seen a microphone that he didn't like, continued his blathering by attacking **Frank Wagner**, whose team, **Penn State** lost to **USC** in the **Rose Bowl**. Denny seemed to recall that Wagner owed Denny a bottle of scotch in tribute to Denny's USC team. Wagner said he would chip in \$5 but nothing more.
- **Donia Moore** had 20 happies for her Christmas vacation in the Land of Fruits and Nuts (California), and the fact the aforementioned **USC** trounced the **Nittany** (what the heck is a "Nittany"? **Lions**).
- **Ed Hokanson** is looking for Rotarians to go with him to Mexico in late January to visit the projects that the Club and other clubs built with RI matching funds. **Jacque Reid** volunteered **Erle** to go. We concur, but can't we find a destination farther away?
- **Jeanie Thomas** wanted everyone to go to **Boomer's** for the jazz-dance music of the **Walt Smith** trio. Walt was a visitor to our meeting.

### While You Slept continued

- **ChippenDale**, ever vigilant of Club Bylaws and traditions, held an election of officers two months late. For the record, and because you were comatose, our new officers for 2009-10 are: President **Joe Warner**; President Elect **Chris Unfug**; Secretary/Treasurer **Dennis Pretti**; Director (serving out the term of Nancy Stalf for next year) **Teresa Anson**; Directors **Reed Mitchell**, **Kathy O'Shea**, **Tyler Riehl**, and Past President's Representative **Kirk Rider**.
- **Dan Roberts** acknowledged the hard work of **Harry Mavrakis** and others in making the **Dictionaries for 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders** a rousing success.
- District Governor **Walid Bou-Matar** was awarded his Paul Harris plus 7 pin. We thank **Walid** and **Teresa** for all they do.
- **Kathy O'Shea** went to Roscoe, MT for the Holidays and brought back a "Grizzly Bar" hat as a gift for our President Cow Chip.
- **Carol Skubic** went to Las Vegas for New Years and brought back slot tickets generated by her winnings. Next time Chipper goes to LV, he looks forward to cashing in \$5.95 in such winnings. The rich get richer.
- **Lynn Lickers** went to Maui for the Holidays, and acknowledged her guilt for missing the Dictionaries and the Christmas Party. She brought back a calendar of "**Men of Hawaii**" for Chipper. He can hang it up in his weight room and aspire.
- **Bob Czarnecki** didn't go anywhere over the Holidays, but he found a Christmas ornament that was shaped like a cowboy hat. If Chipper is looking for Christmas decorations, we have a garage stuffed with them that he can have.
- **Chipper** read an acknowledgement from our **Rotaract Club**, stating that the money received from their hard work on the **Masquerade Silent Auction** made it possible to buy benches and refurbish a school in India. Thank you to all in Rotaract who participated in Masquerade!
- President Elect **Joe Warner** with assistance from "**Hank Williams, Jr.**" a "cheerleader" and a "fullback" announced next week's program: a "**Tailgate Party**." Come prepared with football attire, and a willingness to learn about and participate in Rotary committees. BYOB.

### Fun Facts

**By Jan Pomrenke**

We all have had the pleasure of getting to know a regular guest every summer at Grand Junction Rotary. With the cold weather we are having, it might be time to head southeast to sunny **Lakeland, Florida** and visit fellow Rotarian **Hugh Coachman** who is in the middle of orange harvest. Would you believe he has **43 years of perfect attendance!!!** His eight-year-old grand daughter is visiting him right now from Nicaragua and painted the National Bird of Nicaragua especially for him. It is a **Guardabarranco**. I wonder if it actually guards anything? Well, congratulations Hugh, on the upcoming artist in your family. Give her this **Spokesman** and tell her she is now "**In print**" in Colorado. **And Hugh, we hope to see you again this coming summer.** (FYI - Hugh reads the Spokesman every week on line, without fail.)



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***Upcoming Dates***

**Meeting Programs  
Claudia Crowell  
Program Committee Chairperson**

**January 21     Rotaract Update**  
*Amanda Crysler*

**January 28     Polio Plus**  
*Barbara Gottschalk*

**Other Dates**

**Jan 14     Rotary Exchange Committee**  
11:15 p.m, Two Rivers Conv. Ctr.

**Jan. 16     Past President's Meeting**  
Noon, Bookcliff Country Club

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