

Mesa County Libraries, Today & Into the Future

Eve Tallman, Director and Lois Becker, Development Director

Mesa County Libraries are more popular than ever, with visits and checkouts setting records across the County. Neighborhood branches are undergoing changes with newly-opened facilities, another under construction, and still more in planning stages. Eve and Lois will discuss what residents can expect from their library and introduce service opportunities for Rotarians.

Eve Tallman has served since 2007 as the Director of the Mesa County Libraries, with eight locations across the County. She came to Grand Junction from Moab, where the Grand County Public Library was recognized as the Best Small Library in American by Library Journal and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Lois Becker has served with the Mesa County Libraries as Development Director and oversees marketing and fund raising activities. She joined the library in 2000 to manage fund raising activities that resulted in raising \$3.2 million to purchase property to expand its land holdings at the downtown site.



The Spokesman's Spokesman

By Reed (Everyone's Pal) Mitchell

Now that **Joe Cool's Rotary regime** is about to end, he finally appears to be getting comfortable conducting the weekly festivities. No one heard him ring the bell this week but his voice over the loudspeaker eventually brought the gaggle to order. **Kevin McChesney** of TV fame prayed reverently and **The King**, as usual, was called to conduct the caterwauling. Joe instructed him clearly: "just do two songs and sit down" but David couldn't help himself; he had to burden at least one new member with a dreadful King and Trio CD. Mike Lowenstein ended up being the only hapless victim available. One smart girl, **Sharon Dixon** (sponsored by David himself) was nowhere to be found...

Rotary Foundation Grant

Fid Braffett hosted a Foundation Grant Presentation for **The Mesa State College Accounting Foundation**.

Fid told us about his old mentor Walter Dalby working here in the Uranium Industry in 1948 (a good year) and establishing the standards of accounting that industry still uses today. Ginger Rodabaugh from Mesa State College accepted the \$10,000 Dalby Scholarship Grant money. Good Rotary stuff.

Happy Bucks

- **Tyler Riehl** had \$40 bucks for his wedding and diving, "not enough" says Joe; \$10 bucks more please.
- **Gwen DeCino** had \$10 bucks for something important. Probably the Luau for Latimer House that's over.
- **Mike McCormick** had \$10 biggies to celebrate JUCO's over and the cops were nice to one of the kids
- **Mike Lowenstein** gave a measly \$1.buck just for belonging here.
- **The Czar** had \$2 measlys for a Fishing Ethics class?? and also some for the Club's Paul Harris effort
- **Don (birdman) Tyler** now has a "Great Grandson" WOW!! Just how old is Don anyway??
- **Fid (weird) Braffett** had \$2 for sleeping on the ground with our Rotary exchange students last week.

Announcements

Chris (Cupcake) Unfug had \$5 bucks his son survived academic probation at Mesa State College and then announced a directory photo shoot on the 23rd at 11:00 – a Plastic Surgeon will be here before to help out Nancy Hill said "everyone bring a new member next week;" don't make her have to come find you....

News Flash

At the Direction of the Club's Board President Joe has appointed a **Finance Advisory Committee** to help us with all matters financial. Herb Bacon will chair the committee; Bob Johnson, Den Massy and Bill Sisson were also named to serve. So many powerful guys just to help little ole 1167 manage our sheckles.

Warner's Corner

With the 2009-2010 Rotary Year winding down, we begin to reflect on the highs and the lows of the past 12 months.

Membership is one area which illustrates this ebb and flow. It's no secret the current economic downturn has played a significant role in challenging all service clubs everywhere to maintain - yet alone grow - membership.

We can be proud of our Membership Committee, headed by Nancy Hill and under the auspices of board member Reed Mitchell who oversees Membership Development. Committee members include: Dale Beede, Vicki Canaday, John Duffy, Kim Giannone, Chris Mahre, Dennis Pretti, Dick Pryor, Jane Quimby, Tim Sewell and Dick Sweeney.

We began the year by challenging ourselves, even in the face of a recession, to have a net of 10 new members. As of this date, we're narrowly on the positive side of the ledger with a net of one new member.

Our 13 new members are: Sharon Dixon, Craig Ginter, David Hutton, Joan Joseph, Jane Kroese, Jessica Loveland, Michael Lowenstein, Jim Maggio, David Mooney, Jeff Nichols, Steven Schultz, Dave Williams and Dan Wilson. We anticipate many great things from this group of extremely talented people.

The 12 members leaving the club include: Mary Crumbaker, Justin Harris, Judy Jepson-Hegge, Deb Horwitz, Mary Sievers, Cindy Stanfield, Shane King, Fred Kugeler, Bob Ladenburger, Donia Moore, Marcia Neal and Jennifer Parsons. We miss them all and sincerely thank them for their service.

Now is the time rededicate ourselves to the vital job of membership development and retention.



Paul Harris Foundation Awards

Greg Walcher and **Chris West** joined the ranks of the PHFs. Richard Prior is now a PHF + 2 and **Jerry Tucker** is a PHF + 7 Great work guys...

Gifts for the President

-**Larry Wild** brought stuff from Ireland and also offered a Limerick about "splinters in your butt".

-**Barbra Mahoney** gave a little shirt on a rope from Hawaii. The Czar knew its name... Whooppee

-**Tyler Riehl** brought ole' Joe a CD of his wedding pictures. Another great big whooppee...

-**Nancy Hill** offered a crying towel from the Reno bowling tournament she played in. Big Whooppee again

Ask Mr. Wizard

Answers to life's most perplexing questions...

-No new nicknames were offered for his Unfuggness as yet so: "President CupCake" it is for now.

-Happiness: "Some folks cause happiness wherever they go--- others whenever they go---"

June Birthdays (Part II) by Jan Pomrenke

For the rest of you **June bugs**
I have some more

We'll start with **Bob Denning** (June 23)
You know he owned a lumber store
Then June 26th we have **Mike Davis**
He's in Construction and he could
Estimate Us

June 27th, **Barb Bowman**, so sweet
I bet travel with her would be very neat

June 28th, **Steve ErkenBrack**

A Cancer too and that is that
June 28th, **Dick Sweeney** as well
Oh Boy, the stories that man can tell

Now on the 30th, there are three
David Huerkamp, Joanna Little
And Little Ol' Me!

David is into offices (furniture that is)
And Joanna sells them... that's her bus

Now as for me, **Jan Pomrenke**

A bird watcher, I am
And that's enough to know about me

Happy Birthday to you
And to all, A Happy Summer to be.

Upcoming Dates

**Meeting Programs
Barb Bowman and Gwen DeCino
Program Committee Co-Chairpersons**

- June 23** **CEC**
- June 30** **Joe Cool's Farewell Address**
President Joe Warner
- July 7** **Changing of the Guard**
Induction of President Chris Unfug

Upcoming Meetings

- June 16** **Rotary Board Meeting**
5:00 p.m, Bookcliff CC
- July 9** **Past President's Meeting**
Noon Bookcliff CC

June 16, 2010

A New Directory – Update Your Information!!

Members: Be sure you've edited your information for our on-line directory. If you'd like help in uploading a photograph or haven't yet received an email with your user name and password, contact: mschaack@TheRedstoneGroup.com

New Photos & High School Photo Updates

A Professional Photographer- Robin Mauch will be available on Wednesday, June 23rd, at Two Rivers from 11:00 to 11:45 to take new member photos for the Rotary Directory. Also for the Rotarians that want to update their High School photos. Please take this opportunity while it's being offered.
Thanks, Vicki Canaday