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COMING NEXT

Club Funspiel Saturday April 14

- Baly Haly –
Golf & Curling Club
Logy Bay Road

9:00 – 11:00 pm

Only 10 Spots Left

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The Early Riser

District 7820 Convention "Seize the Opportunity!"

Brian Martin

As you are aware, our District Convention is scheduled to take place from May 10-13 at the Fairmont Newfoundland. On behalf of District Governor Dennis Knight, I would like to encourage all Rotarians from St. John's East to "**SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY**" and attend what promises to be an amazing event. As I have stated in previous communications, it has been my good fortune to attend two District Conventions. They have provided me with a comprehensive overview of Rotary and exposed me to some fantastic individuals and inspiring programs. In reviewing the convention web site, DG Dennis has captured the essence of the event in his open invitation to attend. To quote DG Dennis; "**An awesome team of champions has been planning this event since May, 2005. Our objective is to provide you with a potent cocktail of fellowship, fun, inspiration and learning opportunities.**" I would also like to point out that this team of Champions includes, Joel Sweeney, Chris Vardy, Tara Power, Marilyn MacDonald, Gordon Martin and John Mahoney. A sincere thank you to these individuals who have been working tirelessly to help stage a successful convention. You can register right on line at the following link: www.rotary7820convention.ca/. And remember, our club is providing some financial support to our members as well. So, take a few minutes to view the site, have a look at the program and sign up. I look forward to seeing you there.

Club to Subsidize Convention Fee

Following a review of our club's finances, the Board is pleased to announce that it will pay 25% of registration costs up to a maximum of \$50.00. Payment will be provided through contacting Treasurer Wilbur Rice and providing him with a copy of your paid invoice.

Legacy Project RFP-Get Those Proposals In

Brian Martin

As you are aware, our club has decided to invest a significant portion of our Restricted Funds towards the creation of a Legacy Project within St. John's.

Key things to note are that the closing date for this RFP is June 30, 2007 and all proposals should be forwarded to my attention. While proposals can be submitted for any project deemed worthy, we are only distributing to our own membership. As indicated in the RFP, a jury made up of Rotarians from our club will evaluate all proposals.

Applicants for the three best projects will be invited to make a presentation to the full membership of the Rotary Club of St. John's East.

On behalf of the Board and the Foundation, I would encourage you to give this serious consideration and I look forward to receiving some fantastic proposals.

Looking for Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers for the District Convention. Please contact Joel Sweeney at: jsweeney@newcomm.net

Club Curling Funspiel April 14



Come join us for a "non competitive" night of curling at Bally Haly Saturday, April 14th. This event is open to spouses and significant others (or both).

We have the ice booked from 9-11 and we have space for 32 "curlers". There'll be prizes for the team that puts on the "best show", and we'll have some food and a cash bar available.

SPACE IS LIMITED! Contact Terry Reardon or Sharon Horan.

Group Study Exchange

Gordon Martin

The Brazilians and Nigerians are coming!!!
Yes that is right - we have two Group Study Exchanges (5 people/team) coming during the week of May 6-13.

We have a team from Nigeria and a team from Brazil.

We will require 10 Host Families to house 1 Team Member for the duration of their stay.

I would love to be able to find at least 3 host families from our club.

Please get back to me if you are interested or also just as importantly if you know someone (Rotarian or not) who would be interested in hosting.

I will follow-up with more information as soon as I get it.

Rotary Leadership Institute

Gordon Martin

The institute is intended for anyone our club feels has the potential to be a leader of your club either now or in the future OR just any member who wishes to learn more about Rotary.

These sessions are quite interactive and perspectives from others are shared and exchanged. The registration cost is \$75 CDN (including a luncheon meal).

Clubs are responsible for travel and accommodations. Attending this session here would be a great add-on for those who will be attending the District Convention, registration for which does not begin until the evening of May 10th.

If anyone in the Club is interested in attending please let Jeff Peddle know ASAP.

Vocational Services Award

One of the four cornerstones of Rotary is vocational service. Rotarians are charged to uphold high ethical standards in all their vocational and professional practices, to recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations, and to consider their own occupations as opportunities to serve society.

The *Rotary Club of St. John's Northwest* advances this ideal through its Vocational Services Award, created to recognize and honour a non-Rotarian from our community who has, through

his/her own work, practiced in keeping with the highest ethical standards and strived to help others.

Award Criteria

- Resident of the Avalon Peninsula
- Not a member of Rotary
- Uses his/her profession, occupation, or vocation to benefit society
- Demonstrates passion for and a commitment to the vocation / occupation / profession
- Practice consistently exemplifies and promotes principles of equity and honesty; respect for supportive, collaborative relationships; and a commitment to build good will.

Examples might include (but are not limited to):

- Seen by colleagues as a role model and mentor within the vocation;
- Practice exemplifies leadership and the highest ideals of the vocation;
- Works in creative, imaginative ways to expand the boundaries of the vocation;
- Works in ways that clearly benefit a targeted community (local, national, international).

Award

A *Paul Harris Fellowship*, named for Rotary founder, Paul Harris, will be presented at a special Rotary luncheon held in the recipient's honour. The *Paul Harris Fellowship* is the highest award a Rotary Club can bestow. A contribution of \$1000 U.S. will go, in the recipient's name, to Rotary International's *Annual Programs Fund*.

Selection

Nominations will be reviewed by the Vocational Services Committee, who will select the recipient. The Committee's decision will be final. All deliberations will be confidential. Contact Earnest Reid for information at 709-738-3770 and submit nominations to:

essentialchiropractic@nl.rogers.com

Deadline for Nominations:

April 30, 2007