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Come on guys! The presentation of the Mendenhall Auction Award is supposed to be a glad event!



In lieu of a program everybody had the opportunity to tell a bit about themselves. John Womack and Colby Walton won.

WE MISSED YOU TODAY:

Adams, Black, Blue, Brinson, Burg, Carroll, Frye, Green C, Green J, Hendrix, McBride, Mendenhall F, Mendenhall W, Pratt, Procton, Pruette, Putnam, Simon, Stout, Thiel, Williard.



New daddy Matt Thiel wasn't at the meeting. From Barbara Frye . . . *"Happy news from Matt and Emily Thiel...Adam arrived this morn at 9:50...7.6lbs and 20 inches...everyone is thriving...Matt wants to count him as new member for Rotary Gold Club...please pass the word, b"* Consider the word passed!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR –

- ◆ Jul 14 – to be announced
- ◆ Jul 22 – President's Night Out – at the Grasshopper's Game in Greensboro . . . details will follow.
- ◆ Aug 11 – District Governor's Official Visit
- ◆ Sep 18 – 2nd Annual Ray Taylor District 7690 Golf Tournament

2008 Golf Fundraiser . . . A preliminary report from Chair Bill Heard: The unaudited revenue was \$7,200 gross, \$5,000 net. And special thanks go to the enthusiastic board of Family Services of the Piedmont.

Eastern Music Festival - All Rotarians and guests invited - Rotary District 7690 and Rotary International are proud to be a sponsor of this internationally-acclaimed summer music festival. Rotarians and guests are invited to celebrate by attending Rotary Night at EMF on Friday August 1, at Guilford College's Dana Auditorium. The evening begins with a wine and cheese reception on the lawn at 6:30, followed by the Concerto Competition Winner's performance at 8:00 pm. PDG Dave McCoy will be a special guest conductor for one of the evening's selections. For complimentary tickets, contact Jim Weissman at jweissman@triad.rr.com

QUEEN OF HEARTS



Like the Club's administration and the Club's bulletin, The Queen's treasury is being renovated and was closed for business today.



BACK TO THE BEACH for District Conference April 23 – 26, 2009 - District Governor Charles Allen will take us to Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort & Conference Center, Myrtle Beach, SC. . See you there. Plan for a good time.

THE 4 WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do . . .

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to All Concerned?
3. Will it Build GOODWILL and Better Friendships?
4. Will it Be BENEFICIAL to All Concerned?

From Rotary International – About Rotary's History in China:

In 1919, the past president of the Rotary Club of Seattle, Roger D. Pinneo, was traveling through the Far East on business. It turned out to be a historic trip, especially for Rotarians in China. Pinneo established the first Rotary club in Shanghai on 17 July 1919 with 35 charter members. Rotary admitted the club on 1 October 1919.

From the beginning, the Shanghai club was international in its membership and objectives. Records from 1924 show that the club's membership was 80 percent American, 10 percent British, and 10 percent Chinese. The club's first officers and directors, elected 24 July 1919, were as follows: president Julian Petit, vice president A.B. Rosenfeld, secretary E.O. Baker, treasurer R. Buchan, and directors Thomas Sammons, F.J. Raven, and W.L. Johnstone.

The Rotary Club of Shanghai was especially active in community work. It supported schools for Russian

immigrant boys and physically challenged children. By the end of the 1937-38 Rotary year, the Rotary Mobile Clinic and Dispensary had completed eight months of charitable medical work among refugees in Shanghai.

By mid-1945, RI chartered 29 clubs in China. The clubs produced three RI directors: Fong F. Sec, Shanghai, 1933-34; Yen Te-Ching, Nanking, 1941-42; and Chengting T. Wang, Chungking, 1944-45 and 1945-46.

By mid-1946, due to World War II, Rotary International had terminated 20 of the original clubs.

Rotary experienced a resurgence in China after the war, with the admission or readmission of 19 clubs between 1946 and 1948, including Shanghai on 27 March 1946.

The club, however, was terminated five years later. The Shanghai club voted to suspend its activities in May 1951 citing the following reasons: members found it difficult to attend meetings regularly because of other duties, meeting facilities would no longer be available, and it was increasingly difficult to arrange suitable programs. The RI Board terminated the club in October 1951. By January 1952, all clubs in mainland China had come to an end, although the number of clubs in Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan continued to grow.

More than half a century later, the Rotary Club of Shanghai returned. In 2006, Rotary welcomed the Rotary Club of Shanghai and the Rotary Club of Beijing into membership.

FINALLY

One Sunday morning, my brother-in-law, the preacher noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names with small American flags mounted on either side of it. The seven year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so my brother-in-law walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, 'Good morning, Alex.' 'Good morning, Pastor,' he replied, still focused on the plaque. 'Pastor, what is this?' he asked. My brother-in-law said, 'Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service.' Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque. Finally, little Alex's voice, barely audible and trembling with fear, asked, 'Which service, the 8:30 or the 10:45?'