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Rotary Buzzer

Happy New (Rotary) Year!

July 11

Jim Mowrer, Easter
Seals
Vern Condon, Program
Chair

Jul 12

Board meeting—note
the date change to
Thursday evening!

July 16

Evening Rotary Club
Meeting—Tic Toc

July 18

RAGBRAI COMMITTEE
Work Day

June 22

Iowa Games Cycling
Race

July 24

RAGBRAI event

July 25

Becky Dose, Program
Chair

July 26

Board Meeting—BVB at
5:10

August 1

George Maybee,
Program Chair

August 6

Evening Club Meeting

August 8

Matt Elthon, Program
Chair

Pres. Lisa Mount

RI Pres. Barry Rassin

Jeff Anderson, Editor

Newly minted President Lisa called the inaugural meeting of the new Rotary year to order and welcomed everyone back after our break last week with Independence Day. Lisa passed around thank you notes from Tommy Hockemeier and Molly Osweillier that expressed their appreciation for the Rotary Scholarships they are receiving. Tommy will be attending Simpson and Molly will be going to the University of Iowa. She also shared a note from Zach Stier of Ericson Library thanking our club for our participation in the Summer Reading Kickoff. He noted that 1673 kids and parents attended this event! Lisa also shared that next board meeting will take place at Boone Valley Brewing on Thursday July 25 shortly after 5:00.

Lisa reported that Sergeant Cody has handed over his duties to Matt Elthon this year. Matt collected happy dollars from Craig in appreciation/hopes of a good turnout of members for the Iowa Games Cycling race again this year. He also coaxed a dollar out of Andrew after mentioning that Moffitt's will be providing two pickup trucks to help with the logistical support for the race

Cycling related

Volunteer Opportunities

Lisa passed around signup sheets for volunteers for our RAGBRAI booths on June 24th. There will be two shifts (9-12 and 12-4) at two locations (the DMACC Parking lot and the greenspace just across the street from Vision Bank and Kum and Go. Steve also shared that he will be helping to erect a Sukup SAF-T-Home at Jack Trice Stadium on Monday July 23rd and will be helping to take it down on Thursday July 26th. If you'd like to help out and see how this project works, please let Steve know. Craig Downs also passed around a signup sheet for volunteers for Iowa Game Cycling Road Race marshals. The race will take place on Sunday July 22. Volunteers should meet at the Boone and Scenic Valley RR by 7:30. The event

should conclude by 10:30 at the latest.

Centennial Project Committee Assignments

Dave Cook passed out the list with the committee assignments for our Centennial Railroad entry feature project. They include the Don't like "No" Grants, "Big Ask" Fundraising, Site and Logistical Nightmares, Hype-PR Centennial and Celebration, and Equipment Prep and Design Committees. Work on the various committees will begin shortly as we prepare and plan for this major undertaking.

Sergeant at Arms

again this year. Jeff was impressed that Andrew was present the week after his presidential year ended. Troy was looking forward to Lisa's year as president and Kurt was happy about all the great activity going on in Boone these days! Randy was happy about the rescue of the boys in Thailand and Vern was happy about our speaker. Steve attended the

International Convention and shared that President Barry wants to focus on improving water quality in Haiti, engaging more "millennials" and women in Rotary and has set a goal of increasing the Rotary Foundation Endowment tot \$2.25 billion by 2025 which would produce \$100 million a year in grant money!



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Every person with a disability is an individual.

Itzhak Perlman, world renowned violinist who developed polio at age

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Jim Mowrer, Easter Seals of Iowa

Vern introduce Boone native (and Susan's son) Jim Mowrer who is the Major Gifts Officer for Easter Seals Iowa and Camp Sunnyside. Jim shared that Easter Seals (which started as the Crippled Children's Fund) has been around for over 90 years and the Iowa chapter was established 90 years ago. Easter Seals is the leading provider of services for children and adults with intellectual, developmental and physical disabilities. Although the non-profit organization is headquartered in Des Moines they provide services to over 3500 individuals in all 99 counties. Easter Seals provides job training and employability skill development services, working with clients and businesses to provide supports that enable those with disabilities to be successful in the workplace. Easter Seals also runs Camp Sunnyside on the north side of Des Moines. The Camp is equipped with assistive technology that allows campers to ride horses, climb trees, and enjoy

other camping experiences that they would not otherwise be able to enjoy. Jim noted that Easter Seals budget over \$10 million a year with approximately \$2 million coming from donations from businesses and individuals. Other funding comes from reimbursement for services provided by programs like Medicaid and Medicare.



Vern Condon with Jim Mowrer of Easter Seals Iowa



Matej made it safely home to Croatia and it looks like his sister and brother are very happy to see him (note their USA attire)! Matej's probably also pretty excited about Croatia being in the finals of the World Cup!