

The Salt Shaker

HUTCHINSON ROTARY CLUB

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Argentina...and a promise

Argentina as viewed through the eyes of our Group Study Exchange team, and what's ahead for our local medical center will be topics for October meetings.

On **Oct. 6** we'll hear from our district **Argentina GSE team** on their recent exchange trip.

The group traveled around District 4870 in Argentina April 16 through May 19 this year.

The purpose of the GSE exchange program is to promote international understanding and goodwill through person-to-person contact.

The team consisted of:

- Amida Hight, Goddard, team leader, a retired educator who has taught on elementary and university levels as well as special education, with degrees from Kansas State, Wichita State and Emporia State universities
- Monica Bergmeier, Hutchinson, customer service representative at Central Bank & Trust and graduate of Hutchinson Com-

munity College and Wichita State University (WSU)

- Linda Mares, Oklahoma City, news reporter and journalist for



From left: *Smith, Hight, Mares, Bergmeier, Enrique Aquiniga*

KWCH-TV, and graduate of Sam Houston State in Texas

- Joshua Smith, Wichita, a treasury sales officer for Emprise Bank and a graduate of WSU

Speaking on **Oct. 20** will be **Linda Harrison**, CEO of Promise Regional Medical Center, formerly Hutchinson Hospital.

She will share her thoughts on what is driving change at the hospital and future changes we might see over the next several years.

She also will discuss the new name and the thought behind the new tagline, "Inspired Care."

Ms. Harrison has an extensive clinical and administrative background at both the CEO and corporate level, and has demonstrated expertise in improving financial and operational performance.

Before coming to Hutchinson, she served as Corporate Director of Quality, Standards and Clinical Development with Health Management Associates (HMA). She also served as CEO and COO with HMA hospitals and has held other CEO positions.

Linda began her health care career in nursing. She was raised in southwest Kansas and central Nebraska and has numerous ties to Kansas,



Linda Harrison

including executive positions at Wesley Medical Center in Wichita.

Ms. Harrison holds a Bachelor's degree in health care administration from Ottawa University in Kansas and a Master's degree in business from Friends University in Wichita.

Don't forget to bring a guest!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Don't miss these upcoming events as well as this month's programs at the Grand Prairie Hotel, 1400 N. Lorraine. Serving begins at 11:45 a.m.

October 6:

SPEAKERS: Argentina Group Study Exchange Team

GREETER: Ray Vernon

INVOCATION: Kim Moore

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: Lynette Lacy

October 20:

SPEAKER: Linda Harrison, CEO, Promise Regional Medical Center

GREETER: John Montgomery

INVOCATION: Lowell Peachey

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: Matt Stafford

Oct. 31–Nov. 3:

District Conference, Wichita, Broadview Hotel

Nov. 2–5:

Great Britain GSE team in Hutchinson

Those wishing to make up a meeting may attend the club's board meeting at the Town Club on **Oct. 27**.

If you plan on attending, please call Dave Thomas at **665-1027**.

...FOR MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Meeting / Membership News

SEPTEMBER 15

Guests/Hosts

Mandy Swisher / Jeff Gust
Wendy Plamann / Tom Plamann
A.J. Ebersole/ Mark Trotman
James Arpin / Sid Arpin
Betty Zeka / Tom Cook

Make-ups

Richard Shank, Lyons
Bill Small, Great Bend
Dan Dyck, Pratt and
Southwest Pacific, Washington

SEPTEMBER 29

Guests/Hosts

Patty Belden/Marcy Kauffman
Warren Schmitt / Charles Benschmidt

A big Rotary welcome to our newest members...

- **Max Zimmerman**, retired insurance executive
- **Paul Rosel**, dentist

We bid farewell...

...to **Jim Remar** and **Bruce Douglas**. We enjoyed having you as members of our club. Good luck in the future!

We deeply regret the death of long-time member **Bill Shears**. An obituary on Bill will appear in our next issue.

Check our Web site!

Don't forget...your Rotary Web site provides valuable information on our club and information on upcoming meetings.

And, it's a great resource for potential members who want to find out about Rotary in general and our chapter specifically.

Our site contains information on our service projects, club news, copies of back issues of *The Salt Shaker* and upcoming events.

Our Members Only section contains our Membership Direc-

tory, a list of the Board of Directors and committee chairs, Paul Harris Fellows and information on District 5690 of which we are a part.

Access Members Only by using the login, **Rotary**, and the password, **member**.

The site also contains information on how to join, a story and photos on our centennial celebration and gift, and a site map to help guide you around the site.

So check out the Web site...and check it often!

Plan to attend District Conference

You'll be inspired, entertained, impressed, informed and much more at the Rotary District 5690 Conference this fall in Wichita.

Mark **Oct. 31–Nov. 3** on your calendars and plan to attend the annual event that will motivate you, and give you great ideas for new club projects.

To register, submit the registration form at www.rotary5690.org.

The fee? It's FREE! The Hutchinson Rotary Club will pay your registration fee!

READ YOUR MAGAZINE!

If you haven't checked out the latest issue of *the rotarian*, you're missing some great news on what Rotarians are accomplishing around the world.

Not only are these articles informative, but they're also an inspiration to Rotarians everywhere who want to live our motto, "Service Above Self."

Here's what you'll find:

- Students in Wisconsin are building and selling new homes
- A "green revolution" is bringing life back to the Gobi desert
- Rotarians in the U.S., Spain and Sweden are using their artistic talents to benefit communities
- Fashionista Naomi Campbell raises money for UK flood victims

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