

# The Salt Shaker

HUTCHINSON ROTARY CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2008

## Surviving polio. . . and taxes



Overcoming polio and the upcoming sales tax are on the agenda for September programs.

On **Sept. 15** we'll hear from **Lois Wooten** and **Jean Graber**, both polio survivors, and **Nathan Guy**, filmmaker and film coordinator/producer for the Hutchinson Fox Theatre.

We will see a portion of a documentary, "EPIDEMIC! Survivors' Spirit: A Documentary of Hope, Human Spirit and Overcoming Life's Obstacles Told Through the Eyes of Polio Survivors."

The film offers insight into the reaction of individuals, local communities and the nation during the polio epidemic in the 1950s. It will forever capture the stories of area

survivors in their efforts to become productive members of society.

And we'll hear a personal story on triumphing over polio.

The film and an exhibit at the Reno County Historical Society are both

projects of the Central Kansas Polio Survivors Support Group with nearly 90 members.

The RCHS exhibit features a life-size diorama, above, with a rare iron lung, one of the few remaining in the nation. It also includes authentically-reproduced "Sister Kenny" hot packs, members' own braces and other memorabilia. Exhibit visitors gain a true understanding of polio's effect on individuals, on this country, and on the world – both then and today.



**Chris Orwoll**

Rotary's PolioPlus program is helping eliminate this crippling disease throughout the world.



**Linda Schmitt**

On **Sept. 29** three speakers will discuss the upcoming quarter-cent sales tax that will be on the November ballot.

Speaking will be **Chris Orwoll**, CEO of the Kansas Cosmosphere & Space Center; **Linda Schmitt**, executive director of the Reno County Historical Society; and **John Deardoff**, Hutchinson City Manager.



**John Deardoff**

On Nov. 4 voters will be asked to retain for another five years the existing quarter-cent sales tax that expires on March 31. The tax will be used to reduce property taxes and support the city street program, the Cosmosphere and Kansas Underground Salt Museum.

*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.*

### September 15:

**SPEAKERS:** Lois Wooten, Jean Graber, Nathan Guy

**GREETER:** Mitch Brown

**INVOCATION:** Russ Reinert

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:** Sid Arpin

### September 29:

**SPEAKERS:** Chris Orwoll, Linda Schmitt, John Deardoff

**GREETER:** Carol Berger

**INVOCATION:** Richard Chambers

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:** Mary Hemmings

### 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 **Sept. 22**.

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

**...FOR MOVERS AND SHAKERS**

## District conference opens Oct. 31

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.

This year's conference has something for everyone – whether you want to simply enjoy the entertain-

ment and network with other Rotarians, or attend the informational and inspirational seminars.

You'll hear Jerry Traylor, best known for jogging across America on crutches, and Chief Richard Picciotto, New York City's fire chief and highest-ranking firefighter to survive the World Trade Center collapse, and author of "Last Man Down."

Or enjoy a round of golf, a "crawl"

through Wichita's hippest galleries, the Diamond D Wranglers, the singing cowboys, and Jimmy Travis, comedian, singer and songwriter.

This year you can register by the day, or for the entire conference.

To register, submit the registration form at [www.rotary5690.org](http://www.rotary5690.org).

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

## Foundation giving

This year you will see your Rotary Foundation giving dues on your quarterly billing statement.

The board is encouraging everyone to give at least \$40 this year. That will translate to a \$10 charge on each of your statements.

If you gave more last year, that amount will be reflected on your statement. Or, if you wish to give more this year or pay separately from your statement, please contact our treasurer, Bob Schraeder, to make arrangements.

We hope you consider contributing the Rotary International goal of \$100 per member per year.

If you have questions, please contact Lynnette Hilty, president, at 259-6611, or Bob Schraeder, 665-5585.

### Junior Rotarians

If you know of a student from a local high school who you would like to see join the Junior Rotarian program, please contact Jeff Gust, 662-0206.

## August meetings

### AUGUST 4

#### Guests/Hosts

Dominique Craft / Jill Donner

Rudy Rodriguez / Jill Donner

Marla Stafford / Dave Thomas

James Arpin / Sid Arpin

Megan Barnett / Dorothy Barnett

#### Make-up

Richard Shank, Garden City

### AUGUST 18

#### Guests/Hosts

David Nygaard, Newton,

Rotary District Assistant Governor

Jade Piros / Josh Anderson

Patty Yates Belden / Marcy Kauffman

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS!

### A big Rotary welcome to our newest members...

- **Betty Taylor**, community volunteer
- **Tom Plamann**, manager of ServiceMaster Clean in a Wink
- **Marla Stafford**, director of marketing for Grand Prairie Hotel and Convention Center

Welcome to our club! We're glad to have you!

### Proposed for membership...

- **Max Zimmerman**, retired insurance executive, proposed by Russ Reinert

- **Patty Yates Belden**, director of marketing for St. Francis Academy, proposed by Marcy Kauffman
- **Paul Rosel**, dentist, proposed by Dave Kerr

*Members have seven days to relay comments on these proposals to any Rotary board member.*

### We bid farewell...

...to **Jane Lee**, owner of Jane Lee Communications. Jane, however, will continue to produce *The Salt Shaker* newsletter and maintain the Rotary Web site from her Kansas City office.

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