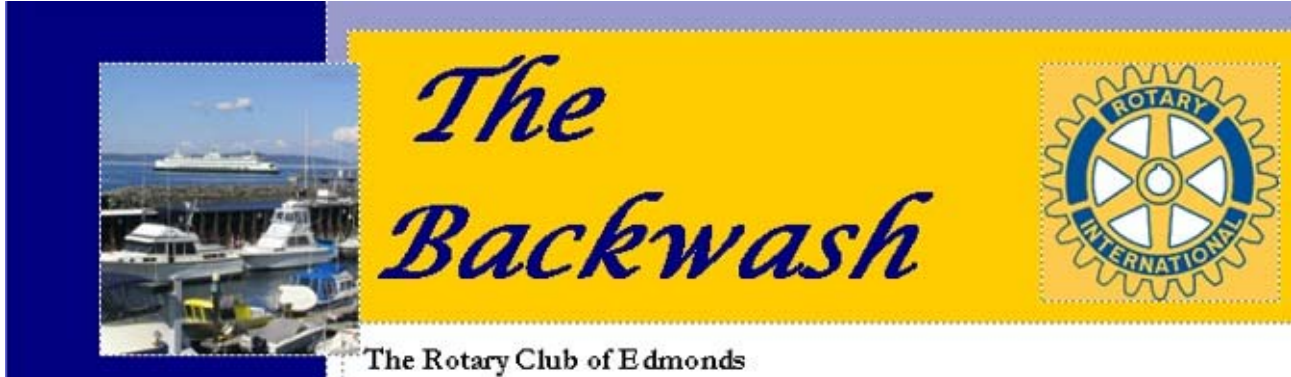


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David Sterns Memorial Service

by Greiner, Kirk

May 1, 2007 was a day to remember the life of David Sterns, our president-elect, and the Chief of the Edmonds Police Department. David suffered a brain aneurysm and passed away suddenly on April 26th. He was 61.



The memorial service was attended by about a thousand people. Police officers and sheriffs came from as far away as California. Many of our members attended what was both a tearful and happy service as we remembered what a fine person and friend he was. "Our concern is for his wife and for the family, and for the rest of us," Mayor Haakenson said. "He was a member of our family here at the city and we're all hurting right now."

Law enforcement officials remembered Stern as a dedicated chief who was an active leader in the community and state.

We share the sorrow of his premature passing with the many others who knew him well.

In his honor, the Rotary Club Board has decided to create a police officer of the year award in his name. In addition, we will be donating \$500 to his wife to offset the costs of the memorial service.

Dave, you are man we will remember as a friend and fellow Rotarian. May you rest in peace.

Llwanga Llwanga reports on his trip to Uganda

by Carol Kinney



Completion of water project in Kisa School in Uganda region. Photo shows Llwanga with some of the clidren from the Kisa School.

The Kisa School Nansana (three buildings) is now housing over 500 children (ages 4-13). These buildings are:

1. The Classrooms (3 units)

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2. The library/teacher's building, which includes the kitchen and storage, and
3. The family house for head teacher and family.

The water supply for the school is rainwater collected by gutters on the 3 buildings and directed to 4 cisterns each holding between 4-10,000 liters each. When these 4 tanks are full they will supply water to the school for 3 months. Two big rains will fill these tanks. The problem now is that often the rain doesn't come often enough. About 65% of the buildings have gutters for collecting the rainwater. I would like to propose that Rotary Club of Edmonds fund additional gutters and tanks so that the school will have clean water year round.

The electricity supply for the school is very unreliable. I would like to use solar power for the school. Right now I am using solar-power for torch light, radio, and phone charger. Plans are underway to have eight light unit installed for the classrooms. Currently there are lots of solar products from China that are very poorly constructed so one must take great care to purchase high quality units. I estimate the cost of these units to be about \$5,000/unit.

The economy of Uganda is, and is likely to be for quite some time, very bad! Other prevailing conditions in the region such deteriorating infrastructure, cost and availability of diesel fuel and poor communication system make the going very challenging. However life goes on as it must

Thank you very much for your continued help support and well-wishing

Club Foundation Moves Forward

by Kirk Greiner

The Board of the Edmonds Rotary Foundation will be considering Guidelines for Handling Edmonds Rotary Foundation Funds at its next meeting. This proposal is published in the Foundation portion of the Annex to our web site available to our members (Read the article on our web home page on how to access the Annex if you don't know how).

These guidelines, when adopted, will set the procedures and policy regarding how funds will be invested, allocated, disbursed and address the procedure for establishing a budget.

They incorporate the bipartisan relationship approved by the Club Board with regard to the Auction and set forth the policy that the Foundation, as it exists today, is to support charitable and educational projects approved by the Club Board. Requests for funding will originate from the Club Board and, subject to the Foundation Board's approval and the availability of Foundation funds, will become part of the year's budget.

This policy is an important milestone in the maturity of the Foundation. Members are encouraged to read it and submit comments to any board member.

With regard to the makeup of the Board, it is expected that the Board will also approve the concept established by the Club's action to have a different president each quarter during the ensuing year. The person who will be the President in the following quarter as well as the sitting president will be members of the Board.

International Service Projects

by Carol Kinney

The Rotary Club of Edmonds has several international service projects. For the year 2006-2007 we are active in 3 countries: Uganda,

Uruguay and Kenya. In the latter two we have been involved in matching grants with Rotary International.

Llwanga Llwanga is a member of the Rotary Club of Edmonds, born in Uganda; Mr. Llwanga lived in Edmonds for many years where he raised his family. In 1996 he returned to Uganda where he founded a school. Starting with a few youngsters, this Lwa-Kisa school in Nansana, near Kampala has expanded to serve over 500 students today, many of them orphans. In addition in 2005 Llwanga started the Lifelong Learning Library. The Rotary Club of Edmonds provided \$2,000 to Llwanga for his literacy programs in Uganda.

Lisa Dittmar was a Rotary ambassadorial scholar to Montevideo Uruguay in 2005. During her year of study, she visited many Rotary clubs and set the stage for a Computers for the World project. This is an official District 5030 project. The Rotary Club of Edmonds, partnered with the Ballard Rotary Club to provide 200 computers and monitors to some 90 recipients, mostly public schools and libraries in Uruguay. A matching grant was received so that the funds provided by Edmonds (\$2,500) was matched by Ballard (\$2,500) and District 5030 (\$5,000) and Rotary Foundation (\$7,500) for a total budget of over \$18,000. There were also some financial donations made by the Rotary Clubs in Uruguay.

Loyce Mbewa started the Rabuor Village Project in 2003 to help her childhood village in Kenya to begin recovery from the effects of HIV/AIDS and poverty. The Rotary Club of Edmonds contributed \$2,000 in 2007 and \$2,000 in 2006 to a water Project to be funded by Rotary International matching grant fund. The other Rotary Clubs who have joined in the grant request include Seattle Four, Rainier, Duval and Seattle Northeast. District 5030 contributed \$15,000 to the project and the paperwork is currently in Chicago waiting approval and possible funding of \$24,500. The total budget for the water project is \$65,000. The Rotary Club of Kisumu in Kenya will oversee construction of the water distribution system. In addition, Rotary Club of Edmonds has provided \$1,800 for scholarship funds for 3 high school students. To view photos of the students and read their letters of thanks go to the web site at www.rabuorvillageproject.org

Ask Rotary Foundation alumni to join

by Vern Chase

Have you shared the Rotary Polio story with other organizations in your community? Many organizations look for interesting speakers on an on going basis. Offer to share the Polio Plus story and it's affect on a world wide basis. Tell the work of The Rotary Foundation and the many things it has accomplished. Impress people with the Rotary success stories and they will think about membership in the greatest service organization in the world. The TV video we made is available to be used if desired. See Kirk Greiner to borrow a copy.

Rabour Village Fund Raiser

by Carol Kinney



Edmond's Rotarian Kayanee Chopra, owner of the Royal Palm Restaurant, helped raise nearly \$4,000 for Rabuor Village Project at a delicious Thai food buffet on May 6. Over 200 diners attended the feast and enjoyed traditional food including phadthai, green curry with prawns, chicken salad, fried rice, stir fried vegetables, coconut chicken

soup, and sticky brown rice pudding for dessert. The funds will help Rabuor village with many projects, such as running a nursery school for AIDs orphans and helping with micro financing for Bee keeping, hybrid goat production and sunflower seed oil production.

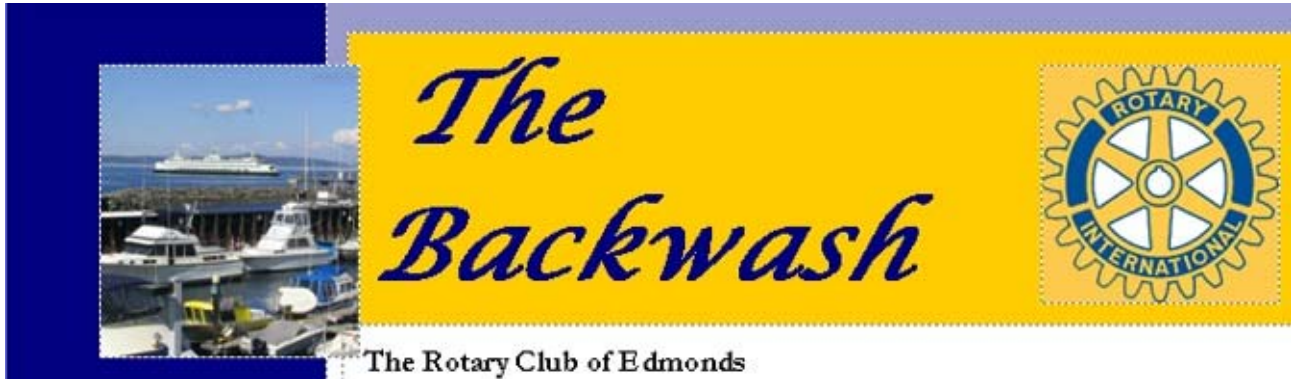
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