

# THE SPOKE

ROTARY CLUB OF SUMNER

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## LABOR DAY ISSUE

At the Meetings

### Post-August Relief

Spoke Notes from August Meetings

WEIGHT!!!

#### Music

Doug Johnson and Barbara Skinner

#### Invocation

Don Webber

#### Rotarian Visitors

Mariana Trinidad Campos,  
Interact Club Brazil

#### New Rotarians

The Club has two new Rotarians. Please welcome Heather and Bill to our Club!

#### Announcements

##### **Courage Classic**

Bill Pugh offered a heartfelt thanks to all Rotarians that either rode or volunteered to make the Courage Classic so amazing. It was reported that over 200 Rotarians helped with the Courage Classic this year!

##### **Foundation Challenge**

Area 7 and Area 8 (us) are challenging each other to raise money for the Foundation. Dean Inglin explained that the challenge is for September and November. A proposed idea is for every member to contribute \$50, if possible. To raise the bar, Sustaining Members are encouraged to contribute \$100. John Anderson pledged the first \$100, "To get things started!"

##### **Social Night at Windmill Bistro**

Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> was the last Social Night. Come to socialize and enjoy great food. Bill Heath encouraged the Club, "You ought to go!"

##### **Canned Food Drive Challenge**

The Club is collecting canned goods to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Stadium Bowl, and to support the Emergency Food Bank. We are attempting to break the World Record of raising 100 million pounds of food. Trudy shared that we are doing okay, but we can do better! Everyone is encouraged to bring canned goods to the meeting. Remember, GO FOR



Brazil national flag.

##### **Community Services Luncheon**

Mark your calendars for September 16<sup>th</sup> and plan on attending the luncheon. Sign up now and pay ahead, \$17 a person. This can serve as a make-up meeting.

##### **Exchange Student Report**

Mari was asked about the most interesting thing she has found/discovered since coming to the US. She commented that the weather and the food are the most interesting. In Brazil she eats a lot of rice, meat and beans every day. In America, she joked that, "I think I am getting fat here!" Welcome to the American cuisine!

##### **Rotary Jacket**

Suzanne and Jan donated \$60 a jacket. Thank

you!

##### **School Report**

Tim reported that the Leadership students did an all-nighter to make posters for every student's locker for the first day of school! Football practices started on August 18<sup>th</sup> and all other fall sports started August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Gil reminded everyone that school starts the 7<sup>th</sup> of September.

##### **The Heart Walk**

Union Bank is sponsoring the Heart Walk this year. They are raf-

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Greeters in September

soon to be disclosed

# C E L E B R A T I O N S

## w e d d i n g s

### b i r t h d a y s

**Kris Arnold**

**Jack Burns**

**Lora Butterfield**

**Pat Duffy, Sr.**

**David Hammermaster**

**John McIntyre**

**Dale Nicholson**

**Bob Quick**

**Dave Radcliffe**

**Suzanne Thompson-Winger**

**Trudy Bleiler** married Rodger

18 years ago.

**Pat Duffy, Jr.** married Karen 36

years ago.

**Lee Hansen** married Sunny 54

years ago.

**Steve Starr** married Marsha 37

years ago.

**Don Weber** married Marny 54

years ago.

## m e m b e r s h i p

**Dean Inglin** 14

**Gil Mendoza** 3

**Stephanie Murphie** 2

**Skip Pries** 8

**Dave Radcliffe** 7

**Dan Roach** 7

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fling off a previously owned motorized kid car. Tickets are only \$5 a tick!

### Rotary \$200 Million Challenge

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation have committed a \$355 million grant to eradicate Polio. In return, Rotary committed to raise \$200 to meet this grant by June 30, 2012.



### End Polio Now -- Rotary International Campaign

After 20 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions.

Your contribution will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.

[quoted from [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)]

Rotary International Sidebar

## Labor Day images



See Back Page for a description of Labor Day and it's history.

SHOT of the Day

## Happy Bucks

### News and Money

- **Shelia Johns**...for a great time with Mari at Ocean Shores.
- **Ed McConkey**...for 25 years in the Club and counting.
- **Dean Inglin**...for the Club raising \$550 bucks TODAY for the Foundation. THANK YOU!
- **Heather Lewis**...for \$100 donation to the Foundation.
- **Glen Sherwood**...for spending the week at Ocean Shores.
- **Robyn DeLorm**...for going on an Alaskan Cruise with a dozen people celebrating her parents' anniversary. Bonus, she also took their Christmas photo while all dressed up in fancy clothes and life jackets! And, for her 44<sup>th</sup> birthday!

- **Don Weber**...for Keith Peterson at the dump and helping him get his truck restarted.
- **Lee Anderson**...for a wonderful week with Mari.
- **Gil Mendoza**...for losing 17 pounds and 3 inches through the Crossfit Body Challenge!



## Sumner Downtown Association

**Arla - Sumner Downtown Association, Executive Director**

*Introduced by Barbara Skinner*

Arla has sincerely and greatly appreciated her warm welcome to Sumner, and Sumner Rotary. She feels there is no other downtown in Canada or the US that is like Sumner! Be proud!

specifically, looking for Sumner's 'signature', getting SDA 501 (c) (3) credits, and working with getting B&O tax credits for businesses, which can be up to \$133K from the state. She also has an idea of a Signature Mural, which is prepared ply wood that an artist will sketch, and then SDA will have pens and allow people to 'sign it' for \$1.00.

Arla defined the Central Business District. It runs from the railroad track east to about where the mortuary is on Main Street, and then from North Street down to

Maple Street where City Hall is. They are trying to include Midtown Station (they have recently joined SDA). If you own a business outside of this area, don't hesitate to call her to see if Arla can help, even if her focus is on the downtown area.

She also reminded everyone about the Historic Home Registry. SDA may have \$300-500 grants available. You can get historic home tax credits. If you have questions about this, or other issues, please call Arla at the SDA.



She shared that she loves to be a part of Main Streets! Arla wants help from Rotary members to have good eyes to keep downtown cohesive, and to continue to build a better downtown.

Currently, Arla's responsibilities include 25% of her job is to focus on promotion. The other 75% of her job is to balance the program better. This includes working with the muralist, building owners, and renovating downtown. Even more

## Sumner Rotary

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## Labor Day

Labor Day is a United States federal holiday observed on the first Monday in September (September 6 in 2010). The first Labor Day in the United States was observed on September 5, 1882 in New York City, by the Central Labor Union of New York, the nation's first integrated major trade union. It became a federal holiday in 1894, when, following the deaths of a number of workers at the hands of the U.S. military and U.S. Marshals during the Pullman Strike, President Grover Cleveland put reconciliation with the labor movement as a top political priority. Fearing

further conflict, legislation making Labor Day a national holiday was rushed through Congress unanimously and signed into law a mere six days after the end of the strike. The September date originally chosen by the CLU of NY and observed by many of the nation's trade unions for the past several years was selected rather than the more widespread International Workers' Day because Cleveland was concerned that observance of the latter would stir up negative emotions



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linked to the Haymarket Affair, for which it had been observed to commemorate. All U.S. states, the District of Columbia, and the territories had made it a statutory holiday.

The form for the celebration of Labor Day was outlined in the first proposal of the holiday: A street parade to exhibit to the public "the strength and esprit de corps of the trade and labor organizations," followed by a festival for the workers and their families. This

became the pattern for Labor Day celebrations. Speeches by prominent men and women were introduced later, as more emphasis was placed upon the economic and civil significance of the holiday. Still later, by a resolution of the American Federation of Labor convention of 1909, the Sunday preceding Labor Day was adopted as Labor Sunday and dedicated to the spiritual and educational aspects of the labor movement.

Traditionally, Labor Day is celebrated by most Americans as the symbolic end of the summer. The holiday is often regarded as a day of rest and parties. Speeches or political demonstrations are more low-key than May 1 Labor Day celebrations in most countries,



although events held by labor organizations often feature political themes and appearances by candidates for office, especially in election years. Forms of celebration include picnics, barbecues, fireworks displays, water sports, and public art events. Families with school-age children take it as the last chance to travel before the end of summer recess. Similarly, some teenagers and young adults view it as the last weekend for parties before returning to school, although school starting times now vary.

In U.S. sports, Labor Day marks the beginning of the NFL and college football seasons. NCAA teams usually play their first games the week before Labor Day, with the NFL traditionally playing their first game the Thursday following



Labor Day. The Southern 500 NASCAR auto race was held that day from 1950 to 1983 in Darlington, South Carolina. At Indianapolis, the National Hot Rod Association hold their finals to the U.S.

Nationals drag race.