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JAY HEWITT
And Coach Peter Kotland

“Racing for the USA: An Olympic Preview”

Jay was diagnosed with Type-1 diabetes in 1991 at the age of 24 in his first year of law school. He began racing Ironman triathlons in 2002 because the training and races are so mentally and physically challenging. He races Ironmans to prove that diabetes cannot stop him from achieving his goals. Jay has been featured on the cover and in articles of several national publications for his Ironman racing and the motivation he provides to others. Jay does motivational speaking around the United States on diabetes, fitness, overcoming obstacles and achieving goals. To Jay, diabetes is an opportunity, not an obstacle.

Peter Kotland, Jay’s coach, was born into an athletic family in communist Czechoslovakia. His mother was a national-level cross country skier and then became a coach. His father was a member of the national kayak team and later became a sports journalist. Peter has coached athletes for several years and offers a personalized schedule for everyone he coaches.

FROM THE PRESIDENT — ***Frank Kolb***

It was great to have Brad Wyche with us at our last meeting. Having served as a Planning Commission chairman in the past, I have experienced many of the responses he described. It is very important to balance the good of the individual with the good of the whole. I am glad that many of our members are very involved in responsible development and in also being environmentally responsible. I love this area and I want it to be preserved for our descendants while allowing for continued growth. Our club has the opportunity to continue our long support for the quality of life in the upstate.

I am planning to have four CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust) days this year with one per quarter beginning with the second meeting in August. This effort, since it's beginning in 1998-1999, has contributed more than \$1 million to Alzheimer's research. The small amounts each of us is asked to contribute give us the opportunity to help alleviate Alzheimer's in our population. The older I get, the more important this is to me. I hope each of you will appreciate having this opportunity to toss some money in the CART buckets.

NEW DIRECTORIES

LAST CHANCE FOR CHANGES IN DIRECTORY: If you have any changes in the personal information shown for you in the directory, please send them as soon as possible to "execsecretary@greenvillerotary.org". Our new club directory for 2004-2005 should be ready to hand out at our meeting on August 24, 2004. Since we do not mail out directories, please make an effort to pick yours up at a meeting.

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RI President Estess leads Founders Day events

July 30, 2004

By Vukoni Lupa-Lasaga

Rotary International

Over the past week, RI President Glenn Estess, Sr. joined hundreds of Rotarians at events honoring the four men who founded the world's first Rotary club in Chicago nearly 100 years ago.

Drawing attention to the values that have seen Rotary grow in numbers and geographical size beyond the wildest dreams of its founding members into a worldwide organization, Estess told audiences in the founders' hometowns that Rotary is based on the idea of taking positive action.

"There are few organizations that last 100 years. The fact that Rotary has reached this important milestone is a sign that there has been tremendous need for the things Rotary offers: fellowship and service," he said. "Looking forward, we must make Rotary appealing to today's business professionals."

At the first Founders Day event in Crestwood, Illinois, USA, on July 19, attendees recognized the roles that Paul P. Harris and Silvester Schiele played in the birth of the world's oldest service club organization. A delegation from the Rotary Club of Terre Haute, Indiana, the town where Schiele grew up, participated in the day's ceremonies in honor of their famous son.

Harris, who originated the idea of seeking fellowship through rotating meetings in the offices of club members, was born in Crestwood in 1868. As an attorney in Chicago, he missed the cozy, small town relationships that he had experienced in his youth. Harris called three business associates to a meeting on 23 February 1905 and proposed that they should form a club to share "mutual cooperation and informal friendship such as all of us had once known in our villages."

On July 20 and 21, the Rotary Club of Carlinville, Illinois, hosted events honoring Gustav "Gus" Loehr, the mining engineer in whose 711 Dearborn Street office the first Rotary club meeting took place. Loehr left his hometown of Carlinville for Chicago in 1886 at age 22.

Portland and Litchfield, Maine, USA, were the venues for the third Founders Day event, held July 23-24, honoring Hiram Shorey. The chairs for the Founders Day events (listed in the order events were held) were Ted Gifford, of the Rotary Club of La Grange, Illinois; Robert A. Stuart Jr., of the Rotary Club of Springfield, Illinois; and Past RI Director Dan Mooers, of the Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

At all the events, Estess encouraged attendees to make Rotary stronger in its second century of service by focusing on finishing the job of eradicating polio, Rotary's top priority, as well as fostering membership recruitment and retention, participating in The Rotary Foundation's Every Rotarian, Every Year effort, and sponsoring projects that reflect the 2005 presidential emphases on health concerns, literacy, the family of Rotary, and water resource management.

Read more about Rotary's Founders on the Web, or read the official history of Rotary, *A Century of Service: The Story of Rotary International*, by David C. Forward.

MISSING PERSONS REPORT

The following missed the July 27 meeting **without a makeup reported by press time:** Kitty Allen, Chris Beard, Don Beckie, Jim Blakely, Michael Bostick, Gordon Bray, Jimmy Brehm, Brodie Bricker, John Bruner, Bland Burkhardt, Diane Cagle, Gary Caldwell, Subodh Choudhary, Ann Clark, Mark Clary, Mark Cooter, Lee Cox, Ben Crider, Roxanne Cromartie, Wallace Culp, Lisette Dimitrew, Bill Easterday, Charles Eldridge, Betty Ellis, Chip Felkel, Allen L. Freeman, Mills Gallivan, Frank Gibbes, Andy Goldsmith, Terry Graves, Charles Groves, David Guthrie, Randy Harrison, Ben Haskew, Matt Hawley, Jim Heinz, Ted Hendry, Rick Hewitt, Neel Hipp, John Hopkins, Al Hotz, Jody Howard, Bill Jacobson, Manoj Jain, John Johns, Scott Kilgore, Steve Loftis, Jacob Lowrey, Barry Lynch, Sara Mansbach, Bill Masters, Dan McNamara, David Merline, Ann Middleton, Ray Orvin, Lee Palms, Jim Parham, Trey Pennington, Walt Phillips, J.J. Puryear, Richard Rabb, Ray Ramage, Joe Ramseur, Louis Redmond, Chris Rogers, Jeffrey Rogers, Richard Rowell, Ravi Sastry, Chuck Saylor, Caroline Schroder, Michelle Shain, Hal Shaw, David Shi, Phillip Shoopman, Wade Shugart, Hank Sitton, Joyce Smart, Laura Smart, Dave Steane, Eric Steele, Nell Stewart, Kirk Stone, Roger Stone, Kelly Sullivan, Michael Summers, Bucky Tarleton, Bob Taylor, David Taylor, Suzanne Thaler, Jane Thomas, Joe Valitchka, Don Vaughan, Geoff Wasserman, Bubba Watts, Carla Whitlock, Rich Witowski, Dan Wood, Fred Wood, Kelly Wood, James Woodside, Jim Wright, Richard Young.

Did you know? You can make up meetings by e-mail. Go to our club website at www.greenvillerotary.org for instructions!

Our next **Health and Happiness Hour Reception** for the Rotary Club of Greenville will be held Monday August 16 at **John Paul's Armadillo Oil Company**, located at 637 Congaree Road (close to the Greenville Sports Club). All club members in the District are welcome to visit and this event will be considered a make-up meeting.

Bring a spouse/friend/prospective member for fun and networking. There will be a cash bar and complimentary appetizers provided by John Paul.

