



THE LOCUST POST

Locust Valley Rotary Club



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“ Lend a Hand”

Jan 22nd, 2004

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 29th Taste of Locust Valley. Sail Harbor, Bayville.
6.30pm – 9.30pm. \$45. No Regular meeting

March 24th Blood Drive Locust Valley Firehouse
3.30pm – 8.30pm

April 30th – May 2nd District Conference. Mystic

Guests

Robbie Donno. Founder of a Gift of Life
Tony Messimio P.D.G.
Lorraine Giligan. Planting Fields

Happy / Sad Dollars

Happys for Gift of Life program; our guests; for Randy & Missy Carr who donated \$400 hard earned dollars to G.o.L.; for Bill D's wife's recovery from a knee operation; to see Anker J & Ed M. from sunny warm Florida.

Lots of Sads for Sid M & his family. Sandra suffered bravely & it was great to see her at our Charter Night. Sympathy to Sid and his family.

Also to Adrian Bogart who lost his lovely wife Lee, a Great and wonderful lady. Sympathies to Adrian and his family.

ROTARY EVENTS / NEWS

Gabor announced his 5 'regular' weeks of information on Rotary. A quiz will be held in 5 weeks & a prize awarded to the Rotarian with the highest score.

ROTARY EVENTS / NEWS(cont)

Last week we did a little on Herbert J Taylor.

This week's piece was on Paul Harris. Keep Your agendas to revise !!

Food and Wine – see Patti for raffle tickets. We must all work hard to sell these and make the food and wine tasting a success.

Program

Robbie Donno, founder of Gift of Life presented our program.

Gift of Life is now 30 years old – they have 11 hospitals in India – Ravishanka Bhooplapur from Great Neck Rotary was instrumental in achieving this. 5 hospitals in China with more in Kiev, Italy, Moscow and the Phillipines. There have been

5,000 children operated on – the goal is 30,000 children over the next 10 years. The Gift of Life has become an international organization & it is attracting major donors & they are contemplating donations of 7 figures. On May 2nd there is a walk for the Gift of Life children & this will be worldwide, helping to teach stewardship and service. We may not be able to change the whole world but we can change an individual's life & their family. Robbie Donno & Alex of LVR are organising a cruise for Gift of Life. The travel company will donate 30% of every booking. The Moscow & St Petersburg 12 day river cruise. It includes all meals, Captains welcome reception, full sightseeing programs, Russian Folklore shows & on board entertainment. Most importantly you will meet doctors from Bakulau Hospital and children who have been saved & meet Russian

Rotarians. The cruise price starts from \$1995 USD. Does not include transportation fare, optional tours, bar drinks & tips. A \$300 dep should be made at time of booking with full payment 3 mths prior to dept. Airfare incl rates are avail. The Gift of Life Cruise will be a rewarding experience & you will save childrens lives. DG Kathy G, Artie S and Gabor have already signed up. For more information call 1-516 504 0830.