

A message from President Meghan



I can't believe it was 90+ degrees just a week or two ago and all of a sudden it feels like fall! Where does the time go?

Well...I might not know where the time goes, but I do know where Quota of Indiana goes...

Most recently Quota of Indiana members have been spotted at the Back to School Bash on Church Street, at the Miracle League in Altoona, and at Pie Cucina in Blairsville. Not to mention that our bookmarks and ear plugs have made their way into 650+ backpacks throughout Indiana County!

The Back to School Bash was held on August 22nd and I would like to thank all those Quotarians who donated to this event or volunteered their time. In addition to providing volunteers, Quota made a huge impact by donating \$2,500.00 to support this event. Quota also donated the Save Your Buds bookmarks as well as earplugs for each student. It was such a successful event, but there is always more work to be done. I know they are already thinking about next year and hoping to provide more school supplies to more children and help get more kids ready to start the school year. I look forward to continuing to support this event as it serves many children in Indiana County.

The Miracle League provides an opportunity for all children to play baseball and is another wonderful program. We had a few members volunteer in August and they had a great time! We have also committed to sending more members to volunteer on September 19th. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Megan White, who is organizing the September 19th volunteer day. You can e-mail her at Megan.White@stbank.net.

I would also like to thank all the Indiana members who came to the August meeting in Blairsville and heard District Governor Melissa give us an update on the status of Quota International. She announced that this year's theme is Spice Up Your Life With Quota. The Pie Cucina food was delicious, and the Blairsville club members were wonderful hostesses.

In the meantime, I look forward to seeing you all at the September meeting back at the Elks and throughout the fall at meetings and events!

President Meghan

August-September 2009

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Check out the Quota on-line newsletter and on-line yearbook at: www.indianapaquota.org To access the members-only site, use the following PASSWORDS (in this order) INDIANA QUOTA. Many thanks to Quotarian Jane Erdman for maintaining this site for us! Quota International's website is www.quota.org

Quotaland Updates...

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS

WELCOME — Don't forget that new members are welcome to attend any meeting as your guest; just please make their reservation with yours. New member packets are available at the meetings from Vice President Amy. Note that the club will work with members on extended dues payment options if paying dues in one payment is a financial hardship.

THE RAFFLE IS BAACK — But it really never left! We're going to keep up our raffle tradition at each meeting. If you win, you bring the next item. Thank you again to Jean Stephens for the beautiful raffle item in July, won by Kathy Rose. Kathy, the pressure is on!

WORLD SERVICE — Based on the success of last year's fundraising event, it was decided that we will do another Yankee Candle fundraiser in the fall. Candle order forms will be distributed at the September meeting, and candle orders will be due by Oct. 16 so that they can be here by the holiday season for gift-giving.

DINNER COST UPDATE — We have been very pleased with both the meals and service at the Elks, and the fee has been very generous. However, increased costs have necessitated an increase. Meals are now \$15. However, members that paid in advance for meals will not be charged the increase.

IN THE NEWS — Not only has Quota been "in the news" in the *Indiana Gazette* recognizing our support of the Back to School Bash, our "save your buds" project was featured in the *Indiana Reporter*, the newsletter that goes to every parent in the Indiana Area School District. Good work Barb Peles on this!!!

September dinner meeting, Sept. 23, 5:30 p.m., Elks. Reservations due **MONDAY, Sept. 21** by noon to Amy Taylor-Liboski at aliboski@kimray.com.

A Great Back-to-School Send-off!

At our June meeting, Quotarians voted to donate \$2,500 to the Back to School Bash program.

According to one of the event organizers, Quota's donation purchased ALL of the backpacks for the event, which served hundreds of needy children throughout Indiana County with back-to-school items AND even haircuts, done on site.

Many thanks to Quotarians President Meghan, Megan White, Sarah Ross (and husband Matt), Jean Stephens, Vice President Amy Taylor-Liboski and Gina Lehman for working the Quota table. We provided 700 "Save Your Buds" bookmarks for children and a set of earplugs for all the backpacks given out at the event.

All in all, organizers were very pleased with the event, and were very appreciative to Quota for our support.

Indiana Quotarian To Serve on National Committee

Quotarian Michelle Fryling is proud to report that she was asked by QI International President Rosemary Hannie to serve on the 2009-2011 Quota International Disadvantaged Women and Children Committee. The committee's mission is to assist Quota's board and staff in promoting and administering disadvantaged women and children programs on an international level. She will be working over the next two years as an advisor for Quota's disadvantaged women and children programs. Michelle credits her selection to the incredible work that Quota International of Indiana, Pa. Inc. has done for disadvantaged women and children!

A message from the East Area Director about Oct. 16-18...

Dear East Area Quota and Quota International Officers, Present and Past,

The East Area Meeting will be held October 16 – 18, 2009 in Charleston WV. I hope you are planning to attend as we celebrate 90 years of Quota. If you have not already done so, be sure to make your hotel reservation at

www.embassysuitescharlestonwv.com or by calling 304-347-8700. The 3 letter code for Quota is QTA. Deadline to receive Quota's rate is September 23, 2009.

We are requesting that each club and district bring an item for the Silent Auction. The proceeds are for Quota International. There will also be a 50/50 with proceeds going to East Area. If you are planning to attend one of the culture offerings on Saturday evening, I urge you to make your reservations in advance (see below). Let's have a great meeting and remember the best part is always meeting new and old Quota friends.

Kathleen Sherman, East Area Director

Saturday Fun Night – Entertainment Options

The East Area Meeting will be a wonderful time to connect with old friends and make new ones. There are a variety of options available to you for Saturday Fun Night – but I urge you to reserve tickets in advance if you plan to attend a ticketed event.

Jon Nakamatsu, Pianist with the WV Symphony will be in concert at the Clay Center. Visit theclaycenter.org for more information.

The Kanawha Players kanawhaplayers.org will be performing "Bright Ideas."

The Charleston Ballet will be performing at the Civic Center Little Theater. Visit the website at charlestonwvciviccenter.com for details.

The TriState Race Track and Casino (tristateracetrack.com) is about 15 miles away.

There are a variety of fine restaurants within easy walking distance of the hotel. Visit the Charleston Visitors Center website for a complete listing of area restaurants: http://www.charlestonwv.com/visitors_center/

If you just like to shop, the Town Center Mall is across the street. View store listings and a mall map at their website, <http://www.charlestantowncenter.com/>.

Cost for the full weekend, which includes meeting registration, Friday evening dinner, Saturday coffee break and Saturday luncheon, is \$100. Cost for Saturday only is \$60.

Our club will reimburse members for a portion of your expenses.

See President Meghan if you'd like to attend; a registration form is included in this issue of the newsletter.

Note that REGISTRATION IS DUE BY OCT. 1!!!

HAPPY SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS TO...

Sept. 6	Gina Lehman
Sept. 14	Sheri Kunkle
Sept. 19	Valerie Decker
Sept. 19	Jean Stephens
Oct. 2	Kristen Raykes
Oct. 16	Amy Taylor-Liboski
Oct. 23	Sherry Clawson
Oct. 25	Diana Dickie
Oct. 27	Deborah Phillips

Quota International, East Area Meeting

October 16, 17 & 18, 2009

Embassy Suites, Charleston, WV

Registration Form

Name: _____ Club: **Indiana**

Address: _____

City: _____ Phone: _____

PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING:

- International President
- International Officer
- International Staff
- Past International President
- Past International officer
- Governor
- Past Governor
- Lt. Governor
- Club President

Special Needs (Please specify) _____

Registration and Meals Package (Full Weekend) **\$100.00**

(Includes Friday evening dinner, Saturday Coffee break and Saturday buffet luncheon)

Indicate Friday evening entrée selection:

Steak Roulade Pecan Chicken Vegetarian

Registration for Saturday only, including Lunch **\$60.00**

Guests Names (not Quota members)

Friday evening dinner # of guests x \$40.00 = \$ _____

Steak Roulade Pecan Chicken Vegetarian

Saturday luncheon # of guests X \$30.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Return registration form and payment to:

Kathleen Sherman, East Area Director

908 Centers Road, Charleston, WV 25311

Please return by October 1, 2009

One registration per member. No refunds after October 1.