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Thank you!

What can I say? It's been a terrific two years as president. I can honestly say that I have never wished, even for one minute, NOT to be president... and that is because of all of you. It sincerely has been a joy to serve in this role. I hope I have made you as proud of Quota as you all have made me to be in Quota leadership.

I know that the transition will be a smooth one with the EXCELLENT group of officers we've elected, and that we will continue all of the great work (and fun!) that we're becoming known for in the community.

Thank you, again, for all of your support. It's been a pleasure.

— President Michelle

Dates to remember

April 28, 5 p.m. Holiday Inn, Regular dinner meeting

Please bring items (paper products) for ALICE PAUL HOUSE! BRING A FRIEND...

Remember that guests are always welcome to come to our meetings or any of our community service events. First-time visitors will be our guests for dinner.

Mentoring bowling scores a "300," visit to IUP planned for April

Thank you to everyone who participated in the April 1st mentoring event at the Elks. It was a great success and the children really seemed to enjoy the event and the prizes. The mentoring committee really did a great job on this event. The Gazette also did a terrific news feature article with three different photos from the event, which were great!

The mentoring committee's next event is a **walking tour of IUP on Monday, April 26 starting at 4 p.m.** The group will visit the IUP radio and television stations, the University Museum (where there will be a small reception for the group), have dinner at the Hadley Union Building, and visit the student newspaper, *The Penn*.

In June, the children will help with the June Jamboree and Stand For Children activities.

Shannon Clausen has volunteered to be the mentoring committee's photographer. This will lead to scrapbooking activity for the participants.

Thanks to

everyone on this active committee for their dedication to this important program.

For more information or questions, please contact Tina Semon. Any Quotarian is welcome to be part of the mentoring events — please just coordinate with Tina.

April meeting

Hostess for April are Anna Marie Riscinto, Eleanor Rose and Ellen Ruddock. Entrees and alternate selections served buffet style (so you do not need to indicate a menu choice) when reserving your dinner.

Our program will be installation of new officers, new members and honoring 15-year-member Patricia Walker.

Our "to be installed" district governor, Barb Peles, will be doing the ceremony.

Don't forget to bring your **paper products for the Alice Paul House** to the April meeting. Toiletries and special books also are welcome at every meeting. (See page 2 of the newsletter for the complete list.)

New Officers!

Thank you to the Nominating Committee for the excellent slate of officers elected at the March meeting, and thank you to all who have served and who have agreed to serve in these important positions.

New officers are: president: Jenn Myers; vice president: Candi Kinnel; secretary: Connie McCardle; treasurer: Diana Dickie; board members: Megan White, Carol McQuaide, Connie Bence, Jane Erdman and Shannon Lawer.

Thank you to those who have served in officer positions: Michelle Fryling, Lauren Williams, Kim Fulton, Kitty Henry and Anna Marie Riscinto.

2004 International Convention is July 16-19

Quota's International Convention is planned for July 15-19 in Toronto, Canada.

There is currently a discussion about a district-wide "convention bus" that we may charter together (all six of the district clubs) to travel together to Toronto.

All area clubs will be asked to send a delegate to the convention. We will talk about Convention at our April and May meetings.

For more information about International Convention, please visit the Quota website at www.quota.org or check out your *Quotarian Magazine*.

A preliminary schedule of events (which includes many *optional* sightseeing programs) is as follows:

Thursday, July 15 — Treasures from Around the World Tour (9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.)

Friday, July 16 — Governor's Seminar/Leader's Meeting (8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.); Toronto City Expedition Tour (9 a.m. - noon), Backstage Curtain Call Tour (1 - 4 p.m.); First Timers Orientation (4:30 - 5:30 p.m.); Governors 'Sparkling Snow Soiree' Reunion (4:30 - 5:30 p.m.); Quota's 85th Birthday Ball: Silent Auction/Reception/Opening Ceremonies Banquet (5:30 - 10p.m.)

Saturday, July 17: General Session (morning & afternoon); lunch on your own; workshops (2:45 - 5 p.m.).

Sunday, July 18: International Officer Elections (7 - 9 a.m.); Club President's Breakfast (7:30 - 8:30 a.m.); general session (morning); lunch on your own; area meetings (1:45 - 2:45 p.m.); Secrets of Success Panels (3 - 5 p.m.); District Party Night (evening).

Monday, July 19: General Session (morning); historic homes tour (12:45 - 4 p.m.); installation ceremony and banquet (7 p.m.).

Tuesday, July 20 — Niagara Falls Day Tour (8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.); Quota Canadian Friendship Tour (Two Nights—Departs Tuesday, July 20, 8:30 a.m.; returns Thursday, July 22, at approximately 5 p.m.)

International Convention is a great way to get an understanding of what Quota International is all about and how our club fits into the big picture. It's also a great time to get energized about Quota and to get new ideas for our club.

Please talk with Barb Peles if you are at all interested — she has been to two International Conventions, so she's a pro! We do have funds set aside in our budget for International Convention attendees.

APH April items

The April donation items for the Alice Paul House are paper products.

Please don't forget about the special theme books requested for donation to the Alice Paul House. Multiple copies are fine as the children are given these books to keep. Books can be brought to any meeting. Thanks, everyone, for your support of the Alice Paul House!

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie — Laura Jaffe Mumeroff

The Paper Bag Princess — Robert Munsch
We Can Work It Out — Barbara Polland, PhD
Swimmy — Leo Lionni

The Feeling Storybook — Alexandra Dalis-Abrahams, PhD

Being Bullied — Kate Petty
Why? — Nikolai Popov

The Mixed-Up Chameleon — Eric Carle
Where the Wild Things Are — Maurice Sendak

The *Chicken Soup* books (for teens and pre-teens)

The Very Hungry Caterpillar — Eric Carle
Fish Is Fish — Leo Lionni

We Are Alike-We Are Different — Cheltenham

Friends — Helen Heine

Look Again — Tana Hoban

The *1 Spy* books

Yearbook updates

New yearbook pages were distributed at the January meeting and were recently mailed with the March newsletter.

As you have changes to your personal information, please let Michelle know and it will be published in the newsletter (mfrying@iup.edu) or call 724-357-2303 (work). If you did not get the new pages, please let Michelle know.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION tickets

We will be selling international conference "Pot of Gold" tickets at the April and May meetings. Tickets are \$100, and we can split the ticket between several people. The winning ticket will win at least \$10,000! All proceeds from this program go back into the local clubs... let's hope we can reinstate matching funds for scholarships and mentoring from QI!

Committee Opportunities

As the new club year is set to begin in August, if you are interested in switching your committee membership(s) or adding yourself to any of the committees (as listed in the yearbook), please let Jenn Myers know at the April or May meeting.

EVERYONE is welcome to serve on as many committees as they wish, and you do not have to be a member of a committee to participate in that committee's events.

Happy Birthday to...

May 2 Cate D'Amico
May 9 Ellen Ruddock
May 19 Stacy Long
May 20 Anna Marie Riscinto
June 11 Patricia Walker
June 18 Linda Brown
June 20 Barb Peles
June 23 Kitty Henry, Keli Sheffer
June 24 BethAnn McCullough

