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Q NEWS



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SPA DAY— thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to make Spa Day a success, especially to Spa Day chair **Megan White**. Thank you to everyone who has bought or sold packages or services, brought items for the child care room or who brought donations for the Spa Day basket giveaway. Thanks to **Ellen Ruddock** for the donation of the basket and to **Becky Farren** for her creative talents in making it beautiful.

Please make a special effort to thank our Silver Sponsors: **The Coney, Robinson Lytle Funeral Home, David Myers, Ameritas Financial Services; Clawson's Notary Service; Pennsylvania Barbeque and S&T**, and our Gold Corporate Sponsors: **Cats Up Graphics, Indiana County Chamber of Commerce, Norma White Realty and Indiana Holiday Inn**.

Please also go out of your way to thank our service providers: **The Woods Spa, Bonnie Adair Massage Therapy, Central Pennsylvania School of Massage, Mary Kay, Indiana County Technology Center, JC Penney Styling Salon and Jamie Isenberg Photography**.

This has really been a HUGE team effort... final report on our profits at the April meeting! **See you Saturday!** — *President Michelle*

Mentoring bowling event , visit to IUP planned for April

Get out your bowling shirts and shoes! The spring mentoring bowling event is set for **Thursday, April 1 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Indiana Elks**. We will be hosting more than 30 young women for the event, so we need as many Quotarians as possible to be part of this event. Quotarians will be asked to sign up for this event and bring small prizes at our March meeting.

The mentoring committee also has organized **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.

March meeting

Hostess for February are Diana Dickie, Clarice Reber and Nancey Shoop. Entrees and alternate selections served buffet style (so you do not need to indicate a menu choice) when reserving your dinner.

Karen Stein, one of our new members and director of the IUP Speech and Hearing Clinic, will present at our meeting. We also will discuss Spa Day, upcoming mentoring events, district conference (see p. 2 of the newsletter) and have elections.

Officer Nominations

Thank you to the Nominating Committee for its excellent slate of officers as presented at the February meeting. Officer elections will take place at the March meeting and installation will take place at the April meeting with District Governor Barb Peles. Barb also will install our new members, Karen Stein and Connie Violi, at the April meeting. We also will honor 15-year member Patricia Walker at the April meeting.

The slate of officers presented for election includes: 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 Lauer.

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

Dates to remember

March 24, 5 p.m. Holiday Inn,

Regular dinner meeting

BRING ITEMS FOR BOWLING MENTORING EVENT!

Please bring items 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.

2004 District Conference Set for April 23-25

Any Quotarian, new or experienced, is welcome and encouraged to attend the District Conference. We will be electing our District Conference delegates at the March meeting.

This year's Conference will be extra special for Quota of Indiana as our own past president and current Lieutenant Governor Barb Peles will be installed as District Governor at the installation banquet on April 24!

The Conference is a great opportunity to get new ideas for Quota, get a better understanding of all that Quota does on an regional and international level, and is just a great opportunity to get away for a weekend. If you cannot attend the entire weekend's events, you are more than welcome to attend part of the weekend. Michelle Fryling will speak and Tina Semon is tentatively scheduled to speak at the conference, so please come and support them, too.

This year's conference is hosted by the Sharon Club and will be held at the Radisson Hotel in West Middlesex.

Kelly Palmer, East Area director, will present at the conference and will discuss the upcoming International Conference in Toronto in July.

Reservations for the conference are due by April 15.

I encourage you all to consider attending this conference, especially in honor of Barb and her installation... more on this at the March meeting. There will be opportunities for car pooling and sharing rooms to reduce the cost.

Half of the conference meal expenses and room fees for all that attend will be underwritten by our club. If you share a double room, your cost would only be \$25!

If you are interested in attending, or have any questions, please contact Michelle or Barb. Signups for the conference events will be done at the March meeting.

APH March items

The March donation items for the Alice Paul House are **journals for children and adults, pencil boxes, notebooks, pencils and pens.**

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 *I Spy* books

WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEE

Thank you to the World Service Committee for its commitment to international service. As approved at the February meeting, we will donate more than \$800 (total), divided up between each of Quota International's international service projects. The executive board will be bringing a motion to the March meeting to have the remainder of our giveaway (raffle) fundraisers be used to defray costs of Spa Day to increase our profits from this fundraising event.

We'll be having several raffle items at the March meeting for members to take a chance on.

Yearbook updates

New yearbook pages were distributed at the January meeting, and will be available for pickup at the monthly meetings. New pages with our new members (along with some changes to current member listings) are part of this newsletter mailing. Please throw out your old pages and replace them with these new pages.

As you have changes to your personal information, please let Michelle know and it will be published in the newsletter (mfryling@iup.edu) or call 724-357-2303 (work).

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION tickets

We will be selling international conference "Pot of Gold" tickets at the March and April 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!

CONGRATULATIONS...

Congratulations to Diana Dickie as the winner of our Spa Day package giveaway. Every Quotarian who bought or sold a Spa Day package was eligible for the drawing.

Happy Birthday to...

March 5 Megan White
March 7 Connie Bence
March 26 Karen Stein
April 1 Karen Surma
April 6 Lauren Williams
April 8 Connie McCordle
April 12 Becky Farren
April 20 Ruth Sarokon
April 28 Jenn Myers

