

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congratulations again to **Ann Frisch** on her distinguished award. As previously noted, Ann was one of only six Rotarians world-wide to be honored as a **Champion of Peace**. This award recognizes Ann’s work to assist in civilian disarmament in regions of the world in conflict by seeking peaceful resolutions through dialogue. Ann will receive this high recognition at the United Nations European headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland on UN Rotary International Day. We are very proud of you Ann! Thanks so much for acting on you convictions.

Anna Poulson, our Inbound Exchange Student from Denmark reported she has been busy with school and had the opportunity to see “Aladdin” at the Orpheum Theater as well as attending the Taste of White Bear Lake wrap-up celebration. Anna announced earlier that she hopes to experience as much of American life as possible during her year with us so if you have plans for sporting events, outdoor activities, family functions or daytrips, please keep her in mind. It is best to clear plans through Had Solberg or Jill Schroeder.

Speaking of **Taste of White Bear Lake**, President **Craig Drake** announced that final bills are being paid and it looks like we are very close to reaching \$40,000 in final profit. Way to go Craig and all who helped!

Happy Birthday to you...
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October 2.....Dan Potter
October 6.....John Channon
October 9.....Ryan Boog
October 10....Mark Sather
October 12....Craig Drake
October 17....Eric Hendrickson
October 25....Cathy Wyland

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
“Too often we..... enjoy the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought”
- John F. Kennedy

STRIVE SCHOLARSHIP RACE
Kowalski’s 10 Mile
November 5, 2017
Noon
5K and 10 mile course
\$25 on or before October 30
\$35 on race day and after 10/30

ROTARY D5960
FOUNDATION DINNER
CELEBRATON
Saturday, November 4, 2017
5:30-9 p.m.
Bracketts Crossing
Country Club
Lakeville, MN
Featured Speaker: Ed Futa, past RI
General Secretary

PROGRAM: **Dick Galena** introduced Sharon Hanifl-Lee and Kari Bullion of Children’s Performing Arts. Sharon has been involved with Children’s Performing Arts (CPA) for six years, on its board of directors for four years and currently serves as its President. She also volunteers with several other youth activities related to theater and athletics. The desire of her oldest daughter to perform on stage stimulated her interest in CPA, which has operated in the Forest Lake area for the past 12 years. Sharon explained that the mission of CPA is to provide a platform to explore the world of artistic expression for children and community in a safe and nurturing environment while developing confidence, expression and theatrical talent. About two years ago the organization concluded that its level of interest and participation had grown beyond its resources in Forest Lake and through prior collaboration with the Lakeshore Players in White Bear Lake CPA felt the was enough common interest to combine efforts in construction of the new Hanifil Children’s Performing Arts Theater. The new theater will be completed in early 2018 and will house much of CPA’s activities. Financing for the new facility will benefit greatly through a contribution from the Hanifil Family Foundation started by her parents who currently live in Chicago and Naples but plan to purchase a home in North Oaks.

Kari has been the Executive Director of CPA for the past seven years. The organization serves individuals from Fridley to River Falls; New Brighton to Forest Lake. Participants range in age from kindergarten through high school. She first became involved to allow her children to improve their expressive skills, public speaking, performance skills and self confidence. With its new facility CPA will be able to offer more classes, camps and performances. She played a film about a young lady named Emma who began her participation with CPA as a very shy young girl afraid to engage in activities without her parents present and over years of gradual increases in performing arts she is now a very self confident and talented participant.

Thanks for the informative program Dick, Sharon and Kari. We look forward to opening night next spring.

Your reporter further sayeth naught

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