

Sidebar.....

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 3: Michael Fonte**
(Update on Taiwan)
- Feb. 10: Kristin Panier**
(Rotary Amb. Scholar)
- Feb. 17: TBA**
- Feb. 24: Ms. Pi-Hsien Yu**
(Embassy of Singapore)



3 Minute Talk Schedule

- Feb. 3: Ellen Gillis**
- Feb. 10: Lyuba Hubbard**
- Feb. 17: Curt Huff**
- Feb 24: Larry Jackson**
- Mar. 2: Brent Kynoch**



Member Milestones

- (Feb. 3 –Feb.9)
- Feb. 5: Brent Kynoch**
(Wife's Birthday)

The Three Minute Corner



Barrie Friedman's talk last week was a list of Hospital Chart "bloopers" - a list that cropped up on hospital charts. Some samples.....

"Female patient has no shaking chills, but her husband says she was hot in bed last night."

"On the 2nd day the knee was better and on the 2nd day it disappeared."

"The patient refused autopsy."

While in ER, she was examined, X-rated and sent home."

"She stated that she had been constipated until she got a divorce."

"Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized."

"The lab test indicated abnormal lover function."

"Patient was alert and unresponsive"

Today

This morning's breakfast speaker is **Michael Fonte**, who is liaison in Washington for Taiwan's Democratic Progressive Party and in years past has been responsible for tracking U. S. policy toward Taiwan, Taiwan security issues, and developments in Taiwanese political affairs



Taiwan held Presidential and Legislative elections several weeks ago, and this will be a timely opportunity to briefly discuss Taiwan's history and the relevance of the recent elections to US-Taiwan and Taiwan-China relations.



A New Member

Last week, President **Gary Lett** inducted **Elaine Rose** into Rotary as a member of the North Bethesda club. In the induction ceremony, he emphasized the fact that Rotary is an organization that is based on service and that its members readily accept such a tradition.

Elaine's sponsor was Past President **Rob Follit**, and Rob affixed a Rotary pin on Elaine's blouse, and the membership welcomed her with their applause. Her Rotary classification will be "Financial Advisor—Long Term Care."

Happy Bucks

Lasse Syversen took the 50/50 raffle money last week, but not the jackpot which is now up to \$400 plus. He was also the first happy dollar contributor (granddaughter coming to visit), followed by **Aaron Overton** (promoted Rotary while on Carla Satinsky's TV show). Next was **Jim Manley** (will distribute dictionaries to the Ashburn Elementry school), then **Chuck Boteler** (pleased to see so many invitees for the club's auction), and lastly **Jay Davies** (something about how cold it gets in Ontario)



House Appropriations Committee

Last week's breakfast speaker was **William (Bill) Klein**, who is a member of the "Surveys and Investigations Staff" of the House Appropriations Committee. He gave us an inside look into what he described "as the research arm of the committee."



S & I was defined by statute in 1943, with a Director and Deputy Director. It is said to be "program-specific and its investigations cover a wide range of requests from committee members. Once a matter is brought to S & I, it is given to a team leader for investigation.

The point was strongly made that little may be learned if you go to Google in an effort to learn the inner workings of the committee or its investigative arm. Bill Klein spent more than ten years with the National Criminal Investigative Service, and now spends much of his time with defense and government matters.