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The Great Braindini, magician Don Brainerd, preformed today at the meeting and although his jokes reminded us too much of President Dave's and we was working without the attractive assistant (used to keep out focus somewhere other than the tricks), the magic was at times very impressive and the members seemed to enjoy the entire act. Some of the members helped by participating in various tricks. One impressive one was a spinning wheel that we looked at for 10 seconds before looking at Don's face and most of us actually had the illusion that his face was shrinking in size. When he got President Dave to do it, he



reversed the wheel and we all saw Dave's face blow up!!! Thanks Rich for providing a program that, despite our expectations, actually was very funny and entertaining!

Former Rotary Youth Exchange Student **Yuka Sakamaki**,



who was here in 1995-96 (**Rich Meyer** was president then) is back visiting Pittsburgh and her host family, the **O'Toole's**. She and her host dad **Marty O'Toole** were our guests for lunch today. **Yuka**, now 30, has not been back to Pittsburgh in 10 years. She is back for a wedding of a girlfriend from her

Carlynton High School days 13 years ago. **Yuka** says that after her year here she went back to Japan, finished high school and went to college with a major in Linguistics. She has been working in the banking world for 8 years and is currently working as an executive secretary for a large Japanese bank. She remarked that when she saw her host siblings she was amazed how much they had grown up (the oldest was 10 when she was here) and how it made her feel old!!! When asked if the Exchange Year had helped her she was emphatic that it had contributed greatly to her language skills which helped her get into college and choose her major. And she said that in the banking world, she uses her English skills daily and is so thankful for the experience. Have hosted before, it's great so see **Yuka** and to know that she and the **O'Toole's** are still close and that she would return for a visit. Great to see you!!!

**Announcements:**



**October: Vocational Service Month**

**President David Brosky**

*R.I. 2008-2009 Theme*



One of our two newest members was inducted into the Club today by **President Dave Dr. Kay Phanse**, former Washington Rotary Club member, became the newest member to receive her pin, plaques, and all important Directory from the Club. Look for her to be a greeter for the next few weeks and be sure to welcome her!

Project Bundle-Up, the program that provides winter clothing to needy kids will have their local event on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. It will take place at the Wal-Mart in Heidelberg. **Sue Kelly** is in charge and has her volunteers. She will be sending a follow-up e-mail to those who are participating.

Remember that our Club is hosting GSE Team Leader Rich Meyer and the GSE Team as a reception at Wright's Seafood Inn, Heidelberg on Monday night, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. The cost is \$15 which will be billed to you through the Lunch Fund. If you didn't sign up you can still join us on Monday. See you there as we welcome our International Travelers home!

**Fund Raisers and Benefit Activities:**

The Pittsburgh East Rotary Club is having their Pancake Breakfast & Auction on Saturday, November 1 from 8 AM to 12 PM at the Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 250 N. Highland Avenue. Cost is \$7.00

Don't Forget the District 7300 annual Foundation Dinner to support the Rotary International Foundation. It will be held on Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Station Square. Cash bar from 6 to 7 PM and dinner at 7:30. Entertainment by Pure Gold and there will be a Silent Auction. See **Sue Kelly** if interested!

**Visiting Rotarians:**

None

**Guests:**

Former Exchange Student **Yuka Sakamaki** (1995-96) from Japan and her former Host Dad **Marty O'Toole** with the Club

**You Were Missed:**

George Adams, Mark Brilmyer, Chris Green, George Haudensfield, Curt Henry, Rick Hess, Patty John, Ed LaBruna, Ray Losego, Marci Petkovich, Bob Schuler, Jeff Tindall, Joe Trompeter, Adrian Van Balen, Scott Venetti, Ollie Weiss, Dan Westphal & Leigh White

**PLEASE BRING IN THOSE MAKE UPS!!!**

**Make-Ups:**

None

**Birthdays in October:**

- Rich Meyer – 10/10/57 (51 years old)
- Marci Petkovich – 10/18/49 (59 years old)
- Larry Wind – 10/20/42 (66 years old)
- Mary Ann Paff – 10/22/57 (51 years old)

**Rotary Anniversary in October:**

- Adrienne Jellison – 10/10/06 (2 years)
- David Brosky – 10/11/05 (3 years)
- Chris Green – 10/15/93 (15 years)
- Eileen Dombrowski – 10/18/07 (1 year)
- Diane Heburn – 10/18/07 (1 year)
- Mark Brilmyer – 10/25/80 (28 years)
- Rick Iorio – 10/25/90 (18 years)

**Wedding Anniversary in October:**

- Mark & Kathy Tamilia – 10/6/79 (29 years)
- Chris & Kathy Green – 10/14/72 (36 years)
- Dave & Nancy Brosky – 10/18/01 (7 years)

**Future Greeters -**

- October 23 – LaBruna, White
- October 30 – LaBruna, Phanse
- November 6 – LaBruna, Phanse
- November 13 – LaBruna, Phanse

**The 50-50 Raffle:**

**WEEK 10:** Curt Henry won but didn't get a chance to pull a card and will pull one as soon as he attends a meeting.

**WEEK 12:** Diane Karcz won and pulled an ACE getting to pull again. She then pulled a THREE winning \$5.00. The Kitty got \$16.00 but we don't know how much the Pot is until Curt draws. There are 35 cards left plus the Joker!

**GREETERS (& 50/50 Ticket Sellers)**

**NEXT MEETING:**

- Ed LaBruna
- Leigh White

**Calendar of Events -**

- October 18 – Project Bundle-Up, Heidelberg Wal-Mart
- October 20 – Welcome Home Party for Rich Meyer & GSE Team, Wright's Seafood Inn
- October 23 – Joint meeting with Bridgeville Rotary at Nevillewood
- October 28 – District Interact Conference
- November 11 – World Affairs Council on what the new administration might bring
- November 19 – District Rotary Foundation Dinner
- December 11 – Joint Holiday Meeting with Bridgeville-South Fayette and Greentree Rotary Clubs at Nevillewood
- December 12 – Holiday Party at Nevillewood
- April 29, 2009 - Ethics Symposium
- May 14-17, 2009 – District Conference, Erie Area
- June 21-24, 2009 – RI Convention, Birmingham, England

**Future Programs -**

- October 23 – Rick Miller – Abraham Lincoln Impersonator
- October 30 –
- November 6 –
- November 13 – Club Assembly/Board Meeting/Food Bank Donation Day (\$ and/or food items)