PROJECT FREE ENTERPRISE TEAM IV ROTARY SEMINAR TEAMS

Director - David Taylor

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SLIDE: GLOBE

SLIDE: TITLE OF SEMINAR

SLIDE: FLAGS

SLIDE: BERLIN WALL

GOOD MORNING! I AM WANDA ELLIS, TEAM LEADER OF THIS 4TH ROTARY SEMINAR TEAM. IT IS WITH THE GREATEST OF PLEASURE THAT I RETURN TO POLAND FOR THE 5TH TIME. I HAD BEEN IN EASTERN EUROPE BEFORE THE BERLIN WALL CAME DOWN....THAT IS THE REASON THAT I WAS FIRST ATTRACTED TO THE IDEA OF THIS PROJECT. I HAD COME TO REALIZE THAT THERE WAS A NEED FOR INFORMATION SUCH AS WE ARE SHARING IN THIS SEMINAR.

SLIDE: DAVIDES ALEX

THIS PROJECT BECAME A REALITY THROUGH THE UNTIRING EFFORTS OF TWO GENTLEMEN, DR. DAVID TAYLOR, THE DIRECTOR OF OUR PROJECT, AND ALEXSANDER SWARCZ, THE ROTARIAN LEADER FOR WARSAW.

SLIDE: TEAM I

OUR FIRST ROTARY TEAM CAME IN MAY OF 1991. WE CONDUCTED SEMINARS IN BOTH BUDAPEST, HUNGARY AND WARSAW AND TORUN, POLAND.

SLIDE: TEAM 11

IN MAY OF 1992, TEAM II RETURNED TO POLAND....TO WARSAW, WROCLAW AND KATOWICE.

SLIDE: TEAM III

THEN IN MAY OF 1993, TEAM III CONDUCTED SEMINARS IN WARSAW, KATOWICE, BYDGOSZCZ

DURINGETHE PAST THREE YEARS, WE HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE TO MAKE MANY LASTING

FRIENDSHIPS.

SLIDE: TEAM IV

AND SO TODAY, OUR 4TH ROTARY SEMINAR TEAM IS VERY HAPPY TO BE BACK IN POLAND AND TO BRING YOU GREETINGS FROM THE UNITED STATES AND TEXAS.

SLIDE: MEXICO CITY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

ROTARY IS <u>INTERNATIONAL</u>. SINCE 1905, ROTARY HAS SPREAD TO OVER 170 COUNTRIES WITH OVER 1,000,000 MEMBERS. OUR TEAM REPRESENTS DISTRICT 5890 OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL WHICH IS MADE UP OF OVER 4,000 MEMBERS AROUND THE HOUSTON, TEXAS AREA.

SLIDE: SERVICE ABOVE SELF

ONE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL GOALS OF ROTARY IS WORLD PEACE THROUGH UNDERSTANDING AND FELLOWSHIP....UNIFIED TOGETHER TO PERFORM SERVICE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND AROUND THE WORLD.

OUR DISTRICT IS INVOLVED IN MANY SERVICE PROJECTS. FOR EXAMPLE:

 WE HAVE A MEXICAN EYE CLINIC. SEVERAL TIMES A YEAR, ROTARIANS SET UP A CLINIC WHERE WE PROVIDE PRESCRIPTION EYE GLASSES, EYE SURGERY...EVEN SURGERY FOR CLEFT PALATE SURGERY FOR CITIZENS IN NEED.

SLIDE: POLIO PLUS

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2. WE ARE INVOLVED IN A WORLDWIDE PROJECT CALLED POLIO PLUS. ROTARIANS FROM AROUND THE WORLD RAISED OVER \$230 MILLION TO IMMUNIZE EVERY CHILD ON EARTH AGAINST POLIO SO THAT THIS DREADED DISEASE CAN BE ERADICATED JUST LIKE SMALLPOX. 3. LAST YEAR, ROTARIANS PLANTED OVER 35 MILLION TREES IN ANOTHER WORLDWIDE PROJECT TO FOCUS ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

SLIDE: TAYLOR & CHILD

4. CHILDREN FROM MEXICO ARE FLOWN IN TO THE SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB FOR RECONSTRUCTIVE PLASTIC SURGERY. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THIS CLEFT PALATE PATIENT WAS PROVIDED SPECIAL PALATE AND ORTHODONTIC DENTAL CARE BY OUR DIRECTOR, DR. DAVID TAYLOR.

BESIDES THESE LARGE SCALE PROJECTS, WE REGULARLY SPONSOR SUCH THINGS AS SCHOLARSHIPS, HEALTH AND HUNGER PROGRAMS, BUSINESS STUDY EXCHANGES, YOUTH EXCHANGES AND FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGES IN OUR HOMES.

SLIDE: POLISH ROTARIANS AT SPACE ROCKET

IN APRIL, WE HOSTED 6 POLISH ROTARIANS IN HOUSTON FOR 10 DAYS. THEY SPENT MANY HOURS ASSISTING OUR TEAM IN THE PLANNING OF THIS SEMINAR. ALSO, AS A RESULT OF THEIR VISIT, 2 POLISH DOCTORS WILL BE COMING TO HOUSTON FOR TRAINING AT ST. LUKE'S HEART INSTITUTE WITH THE COSTS PROVIDED BY ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL. WE ALSO EXPECT TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL POLISH DOCTORS FOR TRAINING IN THE FUTURE. I AM EXPLAINING THIS TO YOU SO THAT YOU MIGHT BETTER UNDERSTAND THAT ROTARY LOOKS FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO BE OF SERVICE. ROTARY, THEREFORE, IS MANY DIFFERENT THINGS DEPENDING ON THE COMMUNITY AND IT'S NEEDS.

SLIDE:

PROJECT FREE ENTERPRISE IS ANOTHER SERVICE PROJECT FROM OUR ROTARY DISTRICT. WE COME TO SHARE INFORMATION WITH YOU AS YOU CONTINUE TO WORK IN THE FREE MARKET. WE DO NOT CLAIM NOR PROFESS TO BE EXPERTS...ONLY TO SAY...."THIS IS HOW WE HAVE DONE BUSINESS IN AMERICA....THESE ARE THE THINGS THAT WORK FOR US^{IN}. WE HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO USE SOME OF THESE IDEAS....AND CERTAINLY WE HOPE TO FOSTER A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BY OUR VISIT HERE IN POLAND. AND NOW:....I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR TEAM.

SLIDE: TAD PILINSKI

TAD IS A NATIVE OF POLAND WHO IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES OVER 13 YEARS AGO. HIS HOME IS JUST 8 KM. FROM KATOWICE AND HE WILL BE VISITING HIS PARENTS ON THIS TRIP. TAD IS A ROTARIAN. WE FIRST FOUND TAD THROUGH THE POLISH AMERICAN CONGRESS OF TEXAS. HIS EFFORTS HAVE BEEN INVALUABLE SINCE WE FIRST BEGAN THIS PROJECT. TAD OWNS HIS OWN COMPANY, QUA TECH, WHICH PROVIDES QUALITY MANAGEMENT CONSULTING FOR EXISTING AND NEW BUSINESSES. HIS AREA OF OPERATION INCLUDES EASTERN EUROPE AND RUSSIA. TAD IS MARRIED AND HAS ONE SON.

SLIDE: MARLA BURNS

MARLA IS THE PRESIDENT OF BURNS & ASSOCIATES, A WELL ESTABLISHED SERVICE COMPANY PROVIDING ACCOUNTING AND CONSULTING SERVICES TO THE HOUSTON BUSINESS COMMUNITY SINCE 1982. BORN IN WARSAW, POLAND, MARLA EARNED HER MASTERS DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS FROM THE WARSAW SCHOOL OF TRADE. AFTER RELOCATING TO THE UNITED STATES, SHE SUPPLEMENTED HER EDUCATION AT HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY AND FOUNDED HER COMPANY. SHE IS FLUENT IN FRENCH, RUSSIAN, POLISH AND ENGLISH. SHE IS A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AND AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE GREATER HOUSTON PARTNERSHIP, THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CPA'S, THE TEXAS SOCIETY OF CPA'S, TEXAS SOCIETY OF ENROLLED AGENTS AND OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS. SHE IS MARRIED TO JIM, WHO BEING A COMPUTER CONSULTANT HELPS HER IN THE OPERATING SIDE OF HER BUSINESS. SHE IS A VERY PROUD MOTHER OF TWO CHILDREN, BOTH A STUDENTS AND SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS, SHE HAS A 16 YEAR OLD SON, VOJTEK, AND A 14 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER, EVA.

SLIDE: MICHAEL BOURKE

MIKE HAS A DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION FROM BOSTON COLLEGE, A PH.D. IN SLAVIC LANGUAGES FROM BROWN UNIVERSITY AND AN MASTER'S IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION FROM U. C. L. A. HE IS CURRENTLY A PROFESSOR IN THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AT HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY. HE HAS TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY THROUGHOUT RUSSIA, THE CZECH REPUBLIC AND POLAND AND YUGOSLAVIA. THIS PAST SUMMER, MIKE TAUGHT IN CZECHOSLAVAKIA AND TRAVELED THROUGH POLAND. MIKE IS SINGLE.

SLIDE: . VOYTEK KIC

VOYTEK WAS BORN IN GDYNIA (GA-DEN-YA), POLAND. HE COMPLETED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND 2 YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL IN POLAND. HE MOVED TO THE UNITED STATES WHERE HE COMPLETED 2 YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL. HE GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON WITH A B. B. A. DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN FINANCE. HE WAS THEN LICENSED AS A REAL ESTATE BROKER IN TEXAS AND AS A PROPERTY TAX CONSULTANT. HE IS ALSO A CERTIFIED PROPERTY MANAGER. VOYTEK HAS BEEN AN INSTRUCTOR AT HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND AN INTERPRETOR AT BERLITZ SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES. HE HAS DONE MUCH PUBLIC SPEAKING AND HAS PUBLISHED A SERIES OF REAL ESTATE ARTICLES AS WELL. HE IS A PARTNER IN A COMPANY SPECIALIZING IN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. VOYTEK IS MARRIED TO TAMARA, A PART TIME TEACHER. HE HAS ONE SON, MATTHEW.