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Jim McCloskey

CENTURION MINISTRIES

Jim McCloskey, 59 was born in Havertown, Pennsylvania, a western suburb of Philadelphia. He graduated from Bucknell in 1964, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. After earning a graduate degree in international business from The American Graduate School for International Business in Phoenix, Arizona in 1968, Jim began his business career. After three years as a naval officer in Japan and Vietnam, he spent 13 years in business, primarily as an executive for two different international management consulting firms, one in Tokyo and another in Philadelphia, The Hay Group. He left the business world for the ministry in 1979. Subsequent to earning a Masters of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary, he founded Centurion Ministries in 1983.

Centurion Ministries (C.M.) is a non-profit organization whose primary mission is to vindicate and free from prison those who have been wrongly convicted and imprisoned for life or put on death row. Clients are also assisted once they are freed to ensure they can reintegrate into society as self-reliant.

Headquartered in Princeton, New Jersey, C.M. has a full-time paid staff of five employees, including an investigator in Seattle. C.M. has a national network of attorneys and forensic experts who ably assist in its work on behalf of the convicted innocent throughout the U.S. and Canada. In addition, volunteers from the Princeton community help C.M. identify and develop prospective cases of the future. Since C.M. was founded, C.M. has freed and exonerated 22 innocent people, each of whom spent an average of 15 years wrongly imprisoned.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November 6th
Jim McCloskey
Centurian Ministries

November 13th
Tom Mellins
Author

November 20th
Fellowship Day

November 27th
NO MEETING

November 10, 2001 – Rotaract Members are planning a Charter Celebration (6th Anniversary).
Place: Trattoria Alba, 233 E. 34th St. Time: 5-8 p.m.

MEMBERS' COLUMN

INFORMATION FOR THE NEWEST ROSTER

If you have not already done so, please submit your personal data as well as a recent picture for the preparation of the 2001-2002 roster. There is also a corps of volunteers, headed by Tim O'Brien and David Del Monte, placing calls and trying to accelerate this process. Please support them in any way you can, since this will ensure that your member profile will be published correctly.

Andreas Runggatscher

MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

The Board of Directors has approved the following applicants. Any written objections must be received at the Club office by November 6, 2001.

Name: KURT MATTHEW
Position: President
Company: K.F. Matthew & Co., Inc.
Suggested Classification: Money Manager
Sponsors: Helen Reisler
Lillian Coury

Name: CATHERINE SINKYS
Position: N/A
Company: Self-employed
Suggested Classification: Private Investor
Sponsors: Serge Hadjolian
Maye Musk

REPORTER OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, October 30, 2001

President Helen began the meeting with a duet by Scarlett Pildes and Lou DiPaolo of "The Star-Spangled Banner." Followed by an invocation from Takako Johnson.

A visiting Rotarian from Monalta, South Australia, Mr. George Datko, read a letter of condolence from his club to NY Rotary and presented a check for \$500. Scarlett Pildes then introduced the visiting Rotarians from other parts of the U.S.

Faye Fellows of the United Nations gave an overview of a Rotary youth program on the environment at the Rotary Electronic Learning Center at 106th Street and Lexington Avenue in East Harlem. Four hundred children who otherwise would have little hope of experiencing the beauty of nature participated. In addition to learning about the importance of our environment, many now have "Tree Pals" in counties where the program's trees are being planted.

The President read a letter from a Rotary Club in Yorkshire, England, showing solidarity and empathy in these uncertain and troubling times.

Mats Ingemanson, Internet Communications Officer for the Rotary Club of New York, gave an update on the Club's Website. He defined the Internet as "the brains of millions of people coming together to make things happen." He said the site is now linked to the "Rotary 1st 100" Web site and the connection has been generating even more interest in our club. He said the site had helped to raise part of the \$815,000 for the Rotary WTC Disaster Relief Fund. This extraordinary sum marks the most successful fundraising effort in the history of the New York Rotary Club. Mats suggested that we get the e-mail addresses of the visiting Rotarians so we can send them our weekly bulletins via e-mail to stay in touch with them. Mats estimated that the Club could save \$9,000 a year by e-mailing weekly bulletins instead of sending them in the mail. A few Rotarians expressed their desire to continue receiving a hard copy.

At the close of the meeting, members were reminded about the November 11 tennis outing to benefit the WTC Disaster Relief Fund. The outing is at the Shelter Rock Tennis Club in Manhasset, Long Island.
Rotarian Steve Brock

Happy Birthday Fellow Rotarian

Howard Macpherson
November 4th (98 years old)

