

Nome Rotary Club Board of Directors
January 7, 2003

President Anne Millbrooke convened the meeting at 12:13 PM. Also present: president-elect Dennis Weidler, co-treasurer Ric Schmidt, directors Lucy Barton and Mike Bridges, secretary Tom Busch.

Minutes approved: tacitly by nonobjection.

President's report:

* Millbrooke thanked everyone for their work and support during 2002. She thanked Robbie Fagerstrom for arranging for Santa Claus, Barton for her hospitality, and Schmidt and Busch for arranging food for Rotary's Christmas party.

* e-mail feedback was unanimous that Nome Rotary keep our current form of opening prayer.

* **District Governor Arvind Phukan and Assistant Governor Bill Hopper will arrive on the morning flight Wednesday, January 15th**, and will depart that evening. Weidler and Millbrooke will pick them up; Barton can provide afternoon housing.

* 12 noon: Phukan and Hopper will attend our regular meeting

* 1 PM: Phukan and Hopper will meet with the board. Board members, please attend.

* 5:30 PM: All Rotarians and their families are welcome to join Phukan and Hopper for dinner, at a restaurant to be announced.

* There will be a Rotary Club organizational meeting in Bethel January 21st. Nome Rotary's chartering a plane or paying for someone to be there is out of the question. Millbrooke will write a

letter of support to be read at that meeting, and Nome Rotary will eventually purchase them a bell or similar item.

* **Anadyr club:** Phukan and Hopper will have information on forming Russian clubs.

* **Election:** Wednesday, January 22nd, at our regular meeting. In Charlie Lean's absence, Bridges will head the nominating committee. The election will select board members for 2003-4, and president for 2005-6.

* **St. Michael:** It was agreed that the minutes record that on December 18th, Nome Rotary contributed just over \$300 worth of groceries (100 pounds of potatoes, 50 pounds of onions, 32 pounds of rice and 3 gallons of mayonnaise) to the community holiday feast at St. Michael following the fire that destroyed their village store. This expense, while unauthorized by the board, was clearly a good thing to which nobody has objected.

Treasurer's report: Schmidt noted that yesterday, Nome Rotary sent \$2,100 to the Paul Harris Foundation. \$100 each has been credited to the 21 Nome Rotarians who are not Paul Harris Fellows (a member becomes a Paul Harris Fellow after \$1,000 is sent in his/her name.) At the same time, we sent \$650 to Polio Plus on behalf of the 7 Nome Rotarians who contributed that amount to that fund. (These contributions are also credited to the contributing Rotarians.)

Schmidt noted that a few dues have not been paid, and he is working to correct that.

Prior to payment of bills for Christmas turkeys/hams and Fireman's Carnival ribs, our total cash assets are \$4,324.92.

Secretary's report: Busch noted that five members have been terminated, for moving out of town or for long nonattendance and nonpayment of dues. This leaves the club with 35 members, one less than at the beginning of the Rotary year in July. Next week, Busch will fill out the forms to pay the semi-annual dues to Rotary International

President-elect Training Seminar: Schmidt will investigate dates, etc. The club will pay for Weidler's attendance.

RYLA: We are asking for donations of mileage, etc., to allow Erin Lillie and two students to attend. Bridges offered to "spot" Lillie.

New Member "Breakfast" is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, January 9th, 12 noon, Milano's. This is a Nome Rotary tradition, in which two or more past presidents discuss the workings of Rotary with newcomers. So far, Schmidt, Millbrooke and Busch will attend. All past presidents, and in fact, all Rotarians, are welcome.

Raffle: Bridges suggested a low-number-of-tickets-high-ticket-cost (100 tickets at \$100?) raffle during the Iditarod Race to earn money. He has the template for successful similar ventures by other groups. Millbrooke will e-mail Kevin Fimon to learn what's needed for us to obtain a raffle number from the state.

Miscellaneous: Millbrooke noted that the district Rotary conference is scheduled for May 16-18 in Wasilla....soon, the district will be asking us for help with the Zone 22 Rotary Institute in 2004. This includes northern tier clubs from Maine, west to Alaska through parts of Canada....Schmidt noted that our 50/50 drawing is up to \$565.

Adjournment: the meeting adjourned at 1:01 PM. Minutes by sec. Busch.