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2007 RI Convention in Salt Lake City, 17-20 June

Join family, friends, and Rotarians from around the world at Rotary's largest annual get-together!

The Wild West is the setting for the 98th annual RI Convention, slated for 17-20 June 2007. But you won't find anything rough or unsophisticated about Salt Lake City. Utah's state capital boasts all the amenities of a big city — world-class accommodations, entertainment, dining, and culture — as well as the family atmosphere and safety of a small town. And like Rotary itself, Salt Lake City offers a welcoming environment with more than 80 languages spoken by its citizens.



Known as the Crossroads of the West, this cosmopolitan U.S. city makes an ideal base camp for visiting the many natural attractions and historic sites nearby. Stay in the city and visit the Olympic Legacy Plaza, historic Temple Square, or the Family History Library. Or take to the road and tour one of 15 scenic national parks, including Yellowstone, Grand Teton, and Arches, and historic monuments within a day's drive of Salt Lake City.

Why not make this year's convention a family affair and plan a vacation before or after the meeting? It's a unique chance to involve your family in the international family of Rotary. In addition to the city's many family-friendly venues, including the Children's Museum of Utah, Clark Planetarium, and Utah's Hogle Zoo, the Salt Lake City convention offers a variety of activities and events sure to please everyone.

While in Salt Lake City, here are just a few of the activities that you won't want to miss:

Genealogy Research Rooms Research your family's roots by using the resources of the world's largest genealogical library. The Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is setting up genealogy stations in rooms throughout the convention hall to help you explore your ancestry.

Plenary Sessions Experience the scope and strength of Rotary alongside thousands of Rotarians from around the world in the daily plenary sessions. This year's program promises sensational entertainment, stirring speeches, and inspiring opening and closing ceremonies, including a Maori (New Zealand) wel-



Ann Mogelvang, 2003-04 Exchange Student from Denmark, is hugged by Lorraine Huit at our July 10 meeting.

Rotary Websites

Rotary Club of West El Paso:
www.rotarywestelpaso.org

The IOS Futures Golf Classic:
www.elpasofutures.org

Rotary District 5520:
www.rotary5520.org

Rotary International:
www.rotary.org

eClubOne:
<http://www.rotaryclubone.org>

◆ come and a performance by renowned New Zealand opera singer Dame Malvina Major!

HOC Events Each year, the Host Organization Committee (HOC) arranges various events to showcase the host city and offer attendees a unique cultural experience. While in Salt Lake City, plan to attend a rodeo, enjoy a performance by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, or experience a taste of the Old West at the Rendezvous in the Park event, featuring authentic food, entertainment, and hands-on craft demonstrations.

Host Hospitality Night Enjoy the warm hospitality of Utah's Rotarians while dining in private homes and area restaurants during the always-popular Host Hospitality Night. You may even be treated to a famous Rocky Mountain Dutch oven dinner prepared and served in the great outdoors. Spaces are limited, so sign up early.

Unofficial Affiliate Events Interested in hosting your own club, district, or regional event? Find out more and download an unofficial affiliate events form. Whether this is your first or your 21st convention, you'll discover new friends, new project ideas, and a renewed sense of commitment at this year's meeting. And best of all, you'll find it all under one roof! Salt Lake City's state-of-the-art convention center, the Salt Palace, is located in the heart of town and within walking distance of most hotels and HOC events. The Salt Palace will be the site of all your convention favorites. ■

Look it up

Rotarians dole out dictionaries in Pennsylvania

By Janessa Goldbeck - The Rotarian

Photo courtesy of Rotary Club of Boyertown

How do you spell service? Students in Boyertown, Penn., USA, can tell you because of a gift from the Rotary Club of Boyertown. In September, the club donated 600 encyclopedic dictionaries to third graders in its district.

"For many of the kids, this is the only dictionary they'll have at home," says Nancy Balsinger, a third-grade teacher at Pine Forge Elementary School in Boyertown.

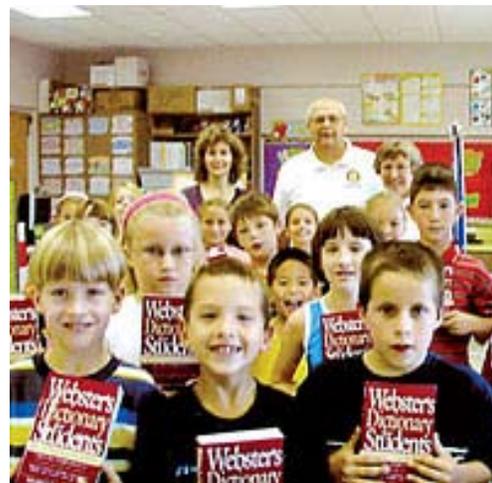
Clifford Reinert, president of the Boyertown club, says members coordinated the project because they wanted to promote literacy and show kids that their community cares. "At a young age, it's especially important to know that someone cares about your ability to learn, read, and comprehend," Reinert says.

The dictionaries contain reference material and conversion tables. The club used proceeds from its summer golf fundraiser to buy them.

"This project only cost about \$1,200," Reinert says. "It was a small thing, but we got more publicity out of it than anything we've ever done because it involved children. There were stories in two different papers about it."

At least two Rotarians visited each school to distribute the dictionaries. Rotary International Youth Exchange student Raquel Rodriguez, 16, from Venezuela, also helped. Her host parents are members of the Boyertown club.

"I told the kids, 'I am with a dictionary all the time because I need to learn more words, just like you,'" Ro-



Third graders show off dictionaries delivered by Boyertown club members Dennis and Carole Frey.

driguez says. "They were very happy when they saw me with [a dictionary]. They said, 'I want to use it all the time.'"

Reinert says his club has received more than 200 letters of thanks from principals, students, and teachers. One student wrote: "I really liked the dictionary. As soon as I got it, I looked up pink. Pink is my favorite color. I hope you can come again."

Another wrote: "Your dictionary is a great inspiration. It's useful in our class. I used my dictionary for my homework."

"One kid said to me, 'This is the best gift I ever got,'" Reinert says. "That kind of response makes it so worthwhile."

The Boyertown club isn't the only one that has distributed dictionaries. In January, the Rotary Club of Evanston, Wyo., and several local businesses gave more than 350 dictionaries to third graders in Uinta County, Wyo. The Rotary Club of Rancho Bernardo Sunrise (San Diego), California, USA, has also purchased dictionaries for third graders. ■



Rookie Ha-Na Chae Earns First Professional Win In Syracuse

SYRACUSE, N.Y., July 23, 2006 —

Imagine being good enough to On paper, she's a 20-year-old rookie. On the golf course, Ha-Na Chae proved she has the tools to beat 143 other professionals.

Not only did Chae win the \$70,000 Alliance Bank FUTURES Golf Classic by two shots, but she also battled back from a double-bogey on the seventh hole to roll in five more birdies on the back nine to grab the lead for good. Chae carded a three-under-par final-round score of 68 today and finished with a three-day total of 204 (-9).

The rookie edged Katie Allison (69) of Mahwah, N.J., who carded a seven-under-par total of 206 for second place at The Links at Erie Village.

"I can't believe what happened today," said Chae, a native of Seoul, Korea. "I was just waiting for the chances to come. I didn't give up for three days."

The rookie showed her patience early. Co-leaders from the second round, Kristina Tucker of Stockholm, Sweden and Smriti Mehra of Calcutta, India, both

birdied the second hole to take a one-shot lead over Chae. But Chae tied Mehra when she birdied and Tucker bogeyed the fifth hole. More often than not, when a rookie is in contention for the first time and suffers a double-bogey early in the round -- as Chae did on the seventh hole -- they struggle to climb back into the game. But Chae thought back to something her dad had told her months ago.

"After the double on No. 7, I was shaking a little bit and just trying to find a rhythm and find my tempo," said Chae, with the interpreting help of fellow pro Sunny Oh of Las Vegas. "My father is in Seoul, but he told me to always be patient and to wait, and that things will come. After that double-bogey happened, I thought about what my dad said. And I was waiting."

"I thought she was out of it after she hit her ball into the water on No. 7, but she really came back on the second nine holes with a lot of birdies," added Tucker, 26, a third-year pro. "She hit it to eight feet on the 10th, and hit it really close on the 11th. From

there, she just got momentum. Sometimes you have to work to make birdies, but they seemed to drop for her."

And they dropped often. Chae drained birdies on holes 10, 11 and 12. She lost a shot with a bogey on the 14th when she landed in a fairway bunker and didn't get up and down for par, but then she drained a 40-footer for birdie on the 15th and hit her shot on the 16th to within three feet.

"The 15th was the deciding hole," said Tucker. "If she would have three-putted there, it would have been a whole different story, but she pulled off the shots whenever she needed them. That's what good golf is about."

Playing a group ahead of Chae was Allison, who tied Chae for the lead with her 12-foot birdie on the 15th. The former LPGA Tour member moved within two shots of Chae with two to play. With a good read on the 18th green, Allison made a run at a birdie chance from 22 feet, hoping for a birdie and maybe a bogey by Chae for a playoff opportunity. But the birdie putt didn't fall and Chae's hands didn't shake when she calmly two-putted a 25-footer downhill for par on the 18th for the win.

"I played with Ha-Na last week and she struggled a bit, but she figured out what she was supposed to do and really capitalized on her birdie chances today," said Allison, 26, a third-year pro who finished the day with two birdies and no bogeys. "She might be a rookie, but she has some shots in her bag. She knows how to work the ball and she stays composed."

Plenty of players were chasing Chae, but none were able to catch her on the back nine, ♦

TOUR MONEY LEADERS

Thru \$70,000 Alliance Bank
FUTURES Golf Classic

1	Song-Hee Kim	\$59,429
2	Charlotte Mayorkas	\$37,974
3	In-Bee Park	\$35,200
4	Ashley Prange	\$32,872
5	Allison Fouch	\$29,060
6	Mollie Fankhauser	\$27,161
7	Angela Park	\$24,113
8	Meaghan Francella	\$23,030
9	Kristy McPherson	\$22,221
10	Salimah Mussani	\$20,754

♦ which she played at four-under par. Tying for third at 207 (-6) was the quartet of Tucker (71), Mehra (71), Julie Turner-Peluso (67) of Skaneateles, N.Y., and Liz Janangelo (68) of West Hartford, Conn.

Making valiant final-round charges were Salimah Mussani (65) of Burlington, Ontario, who tied for seventh at 208 (-5); Allison Fouch (66) of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Ashley Hoagland (67) of Palmetto, Fla., who tied for 11th at 209; and Kristy McPherson (65) of Conway, S.C., and Mollie Fankhauser (67) of Columbus, Ohio, who tied for 14th at 210.

Prior to today's win, Chae had posted a career-best tie for eighth at the Tour's event in Decatur, Ill., and she had finished in the top 10 in 13 tournaments. Her \$9,800 winner's check today moved her from 35th to 14th on the Tour's season money list.

"She has made every cut," said Sunny Oh. "Ha-Na played on the Korean National Team, which is pretty strong. I think

she was ready to win."

"She won so many times in Korean junior tournaments, so it's not that much of a surprise," added fellow Tour member Su A Kim of Seoul, who tied for 14th at 210. "Song-Hee [Kim] is a four-time winner this year and she's a rookie too, so when other Korean girls saw that, they say it is possible to win. Ha-Na is a winner now."

That, she is. Her peers shook cans of beer and sprayed the quiet player on the 18th green until her shirt was soaked. During the awards ceremony, her mother, Hyoung Lim Lee, stepped into some tall pampas grass beside the clubhouse with her cell phone and called home to Korea to tell her husband the good news.

And Chae, delivering her winner's speech in careful English, finally made that huge leap from amateur to professional golf with a bouquet of flowers in her arms and TV cameras in her face. She admitted to taking "lots of deep breaths."

"A lot of people cheered for me and now as a pro, I am thinking about more stuff," she said. "I knew that I couldn't give up because of all the attention. You can do that in junior golf, but you can't do that as a pro." ■

The 4-Way Test

Members of Rotary International use a simple test to guide their actions in life. Here it is:

"The 4-Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

1st Is it the TRUTH?

2nd Is it FAIR to all concerned?

3rd Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

4th Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

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MEETINGS

Monday: Holiday Inn - Sunland Park, 12 PM

EL PASO MAKEUPS

Tuesday: **East El Paso**, 12 PM

Airport Hilton

Wednesday: **Sunrise**, 7 AM

Sunland Park Holiday Inn

Vista Hills, 12 PM

Vista Hills Country Club

Thursday: **El Paso**, 12 PM

1st Presbyterian Fellowship Hall

Anthony, 12 PM

Dos Lagos Golf Club

Franklin Mountains, 5:45 PM

Sunrise Center Furr's Cafeteria

Friday: **Northeast**, 12 PM

Sunrise Center Furr's Cafeteria

JUAREZ MAKEUPS

Tuesday: Juarez Sur, 2:30 PM

Campestre Juarez

Wednesday: Cd. Juarez, 1:30 PM

Campestre Juarez

Juarez Chamizal, 2:00 PM

Rest. Barrigas Monumental

Juarez Americas, 3:00 PM

Campestre Juarez

Juarez Frontera, 7:30 PM

Rest. Viva Mexico

Thursday: Juarez Paso del Norte, 2:00 PM

Campestre Juarez

Juarez Empresarial, 2:30 PM

Rest. Barrigas Mon.

Friday: Juarez Industrial, 2:00 PM

Campestre Juarez

Juarez Ejecutivo, 2:00 PM

Mision de Los Lagos

Juarez Norte, 8:30 PM

Casino Juarez

Juarez Oriente, 9:00 PM

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