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*Is it the Truth? -- Is it Fair to all concerned?  
 Will it build Goodwill and better Friendships? -- Will it be Beneficial to all Concerned?*

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**James**

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### Our Speaker This Week

Sometimes profound change occurs when and how we least expect it. For instance, up until the late 1700's cotton was expensive to produce in the U.S. The inventors of the cotton gin, thought that their contraption would reduce the need for slave labor because far few people would be needed to pick the seeds out of the cotton. Unfortunately, the number of southern slaves and plantations increased dramatically after the invention of the cotton gin made it much cheaper and easier to produce.

Likewise, in the 1400's Spain and Portugal were struggling to boot the moors out of the Iberian peninsula and hoping to get rich by finding a faster and easier way to acquire spices and other scarce

### Pizza Tonight

6:30pm tonight at DaVinci's Pizza  
 1812 Hayes St Near the  
 intersection of Hayes St and 18th  
 Ave N. Contact Amy Brown for  
 more information--  
[prising@comcast.net](mailto:prising@comcast.net)

### From the President (That'd Be Chris)

Chris would like to bring three items to everyone's attention.

Chinese and Indian commodities. In 1492, they finally pushed the last of the moors out and Columbus thought he found the orient. For the next 200 years, Spain became arguably the most powerful and wealthy European country when it figured out how to work with a dramatically different reality than Columbus could imagine.

Our speaker this week, James Chesser, may be at the cusp of some similarly dynamic changes. You may remember his impassioned speech at one of our semi-annual parties about his trips to China and his efforts to export democracy and possibly Christianity; his descriptions of how people's face lit up at the mere suggestion that have worth and rights as an individual outside their national identity.

While no one is predicting a mass conversion of the Chinese to Christianity, changes could be afloat in the legal underpinnings of our economy. The American economic model is built on the ability of someone to own something and derive value from that something because of individual legal rights we give them in ownership. The most stunning examples of these concepts are the huge amounts of wealth created for Microsoft and its one user one license approach to software as well as for individual mega stars and writers in Country Music, Rock and Roll, Movies, etc. These models have been successful because we have had a few million people accept the idea and go along with it.

**What if the world's potentially largest market, one that has the ability to utterly dwarf ours in size, is culturally incapable of going along with this idea of individual ownership for the next 100 years? We cannot force them to abide by our approach. We cannot even force our own high school and college kids to abide by "the rules."**

For those of you who do not know James well, he has an interesting history. A native of Canada, his first degree is a Bachelor and Master of Arts in Advanced Physics, from Trinity College, Cambridge University, U. K. He then spent time as a rough neck in the oil business in the Arctic Circle. He has also studied Electrical Engineering at Yale, served as an assistant conductor for the Charlottesville Symphony Orchestra, in Virginia, and received his JD from the University of Virginia. Since 1985, he has worked in a variety of facets of Entertainment law, securing visa's and

1) He would like the upcoming elected board and officers join the regular board for the regular meeting tomorrow.

2) Please consider attending our district conference April 18-20! This is a Rotary Multidistrict Conference. Speakers include RI President Wilf Wilkinson, John Osterlund, General Manager of the Rotary Foundation and others. The registration deadline is 3/27/08. For more information, go to <http://kytnrotary.org/>

3) We are ringing the bell at 7:25. Please make an attempt to be there by then so that the speaker has time to deliver their presentation.

## Reservations Please!

**The Preds Game!** Amy has put a deposit down for us to go see the Preds play one of the historic hockey clubs, the Chicago Blackhawks on March 22. The tickets she has saved for us normally cost \$63 and we get them for \$46.00, but she does need payment soon. You can contact her at [prising@comcast.net](mailto:prising@comcast.net)

## Club Service Opportunities

**Meals on Wheels:** Check the sign-up sheet and either find an open slot or find someone to pair with. (Pick someone you don't know very well and get to know them.)

## Upcoming Events

property rights for Americans visiting "closed" countries as well as foreigners visiting here.

**3/7/08--Right After the Meeting--** Foundation and Club Boards meet, everyone welcome. This week Chris requests that the board and officers elected for the next term also attend.

**3/11/8--4-6:00 PM--**Packing backpacks for Cochrill Bend Elementary at the Second Harvest Food Bank in Metro Center.

**3/22/08** Nashville Predators--see information above.

**4/18-20/08--**Celebrate the Magic of Rotary--More information above.

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## **Donate Life!!**

### **Share Your Life/TN Donor Registry News.**

NOW you can register online at <http://www.tndonorregistry.org/> to become an organ, eye, and tissue donor.

This registry is the culmination of many dedicated years by Boyd Fulton, Tome Meredith, and others who have selflessly and passionately carried the torch to get this registry in place. Getting the word out to increase the number of registered donors is now the highest priority and we need your help.

The Green Hills Rotary Club has formed a Share Your Life committee to get ALL club members involved and increase the registrations.

*What are we asking you to do?*

**Talk with 10.....**Simply talk with at least 10 of your family members, friends, colleagues and others to share information with them about this cause. ....point them to the registry or provide a donor consent form for them to complete.

It will have a major impact on the lives of so many people: children, adults, and their families.

The new registry will allow all hospitals and donor families (this is critical) to easily identify those people who have consented to be registered donors. Hopefully, it also means that the number of registered donors will dramatically increase.

There will be a presentation from the SYL Committee at an upcoming meeting to provide more information.

**Meals on Wheels:**

2/29/2008 Rob Barber  
3/7/2008 Hamp Turner  
3/14/2008 Andrew Duthie  
3/21/2008 Cindy Luna  
3/28/2008 Nancy Davis

**Coming up Next:**

2/29/2008 Chris Clark, Former News Anchor  
3/7/2008 Jame Chesser  
3/14/2008 Randall Yearwood, Architect  
3/21/2008 Roland Jones  
3/28/2008 Rick Hollis

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