Annual Meeting Held

Since not all IFSR members were able to attend the Annual General Meeting, we provide the minutes of that meeting here. The minutes were submitted by International Secretary Harold C. Friend.

The Annual General Meeting of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians was called to order at 3:05 p.m. on June 24, 1996, in the Glenview Room at the Convention Center in Calgary. This meeting immediately followed the Annual General Meeting of the International Fellowships, chaired by Graham Money of South Africa, during which an address was given by Rotary International President Luis Vicente Gay.

John Kenny was introduced and gave an overview of the mission of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians.

Recognition was given to the pioneering efforts of Past District Governor Sammy Samuels in establish the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians.

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Internet Brings The World of Scouting Together

Although Robert Baden-Powell originally envisioned Scouting as a British movement, he was elated when it became international in scope.

Unfortunately, though, cost and other factors have prevented most Scouts and Scouters from participating in Scouting beyond their own borders.

Enter the Internet, which is transforming Scouting just as it has transformed so many other aspects of daily life around the world.

Today, national Scout associations—as well as hundreds of local Scout groups and units—have a pres-
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His past efforts were greatly appreciated.

Nominations were opened. John Kenny (Grangemouth, Scotland, UK) was nominated and elected as International Chairman for 1996–97. Harold Friend (Boca Raton, Florida, USA) was elected as International Secretary. William Fairman (Boca Raton, Florida, USA) was elected as International Treasurer.

John Kenny gave an impassioned speech concerning the goals and purposes of the Fellowship as well as the new direction which the Fellowship should take during the 1996–97 Rotary year.

Individual sections will continue in development. Both RIBI and North America have well-developed functioning sections at this time. Other areas will be encouraged to develop.

Dues structure: The initial fee will be $25 US (£17.50) with either a tie or a pin. The annual renewal fee will be $12 (£7.50). Blue or green ties will be available for $8 (£5). Additional Fellowship pins will be $3 (£2). The funds available will be used for postage, mailings, and answering of inquiries. The new combined mailing list will be produced by the International Secretary and sent to all members who request it. This list should be available by August 15.

There will be two International newsletters sent out at approximately six-month intervals to all members worldwide (Newsletter Editor is Mark Ray, Louisville, Kentucky, USA). Each section will produce its own newsletter twice a year to be mailed only to section members.

All requests for ties will be forwarded to RIBI Section Chairman Tom Cryer. They will be mailed directly from him to the requesting member. North American Section Chairman will be Bud Allison (Houston, Texas, USA).

The monthly coupon request for Fellowship information will be answered by the International Secretary. A one-page information sheet and membership application will be developed.

The RIBI Section will develop plans for the Glasgow meeting. This will include a schedule for hosting the Fellowship booth and the possibility of either pre- or post-convention activities. A trip to Gilwell Park and/or to a regional Scottish Scouting center will be considered.

An open forum was held. Then, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:10 p.m. The next Annual General Meeting is tentatively scheduled for 3 p.m., Monday, June 23, 1997, in Glasgow, Scotland.

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ese on the World Wide Web, the most popular part of the Internet. By visiting these Web sites, you can find out when the Wolf Cub pack in Cornwall, Ontario, meets, or visit the virtual headquarters of the Scout Association in the Czech Republic. You can access Scouting clip-art, recipes, and even books. Best of all, you can meet Scouters from around the world and communicate with them via e-mail.

So how do you get started?

You'll need a computer with a modem and an Internet account.

One of the best places to start is the Scouting JumpStation. This Web site will link you to dozens of other sites around the world. The address is: http://http2.bruneil.ac.uk:8080/~cs92pdt/scout/links.html.

B-P would be proud!

Here are the e-mail addresses of some IFSR officers: Harold Friend, hfriend@mem.po.com; Bill Fairman, wfairman@aol.com; Mark Ray, Mark_Ray@mm.cobb.ziff.com.

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IFS R at the Rotary Internation Convention in Calgary

Clockwise from top left: John Kenny, RI Director and International Chairman of IFSR, speaking at the Annual General Meeting; International Secretary Harold Friend and PDG Graham Money, RI Vocational and Recreational Fellowship Chair; Harold Friend and International Treasurer Bill Fairman; the IFSR booth in Calgary, staffed by David Judge (UK), Harold Friend (USA), and Betty Guia (Philippines).
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

To start or renew your membership, complete the application below. Mail to International Secretary.

Family/Last Name ___________________________________ First Name ________________________________

Address ____________________________________________

City __________________________ State _______________ Zip _____

Country __________________________ Rotary Club _________

Classification __________________________ Email __________

Phone __________________________ Fax ________________

The fees below may be paid in US or British currency by check, money order or traveler’s check. All ties are mailed directly from England. New members confirmation will be sent with your pin or tie. Renewals will be confirmed by a notation on your next International newsletter. The joining fee includes either a tie or pin plus your membership for one year.

New members: $25 or £17.5 Circle one: blue tie green tie pin
One year renewal: $12 or £7.5
Additional tie: $8 or £5 Circle color: blue green
Additional pin: $3 or £2

Our Fellowship, as all Rotarian activities, functions only as well as our volunteers’ efforts. If you would like to volunteer for a position within the fellowship or for a specific activity please indicate below (National or World Jamborees, RI Conventions, National Scout Meetings, Section or International Fellowship Positions, Newsletters etc.)

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