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SHIPMENTS

As of June 30th, MSNI has shipped 128 containers to 33 different countries throughout the world. Additionally, we have provided medical equipment and supplies to non-profit organizations in our District and elsewhere.

Our mission this year is to ship one container every month to a developing country. Our first shipment for July 2008 is going to Belize. This Belize shipment is being coordinated by Board Member David Webb from Fort Smith, Arkansas. David has made several trips to Belize to assess the need, and the medical equipment and supplies we are now sending will join up in Houston with other needed equipment for Belize.

The August 2008 shipment is scheduled for Viet Nam. This shipment is being coordinated by Board Member Herb Orr. This shipment will be followed by a shipment to Ecuador.

HOW SHIPMENTS ARE SELECTED

Each year, MSNI receives more requests than we can possibly fill. In order for a recipient to qualify, they must provide MSNI with proper documentation

identifying them as a legitimate recipient of humanitarian aid in the country of need. This will allow us to ship tax-free and duty-free.

A Rotary club in a developing country does not automatically qualify as a recipient of humanitarian aid. Therefore, many of our shipments have to go through a third party such as a NGO (non-governmental organizations) recognized by that country's government. Additionally, some religious groups are also recognized as legitimate recipients.

Additionally, we must have funding for the shipping of the container. MSNI does not charge any of our recipients for the content of the container, but we must be able to pay for the shipping cost. This shipping cost averages \$7500 per container. If our goal is to ship one container each month, it is necessary for us to identify sponsorships for approximately \$100,000. In the past, we have obtained funding from Rotary District Simplified Grant money, individual foundations that wish to support a specific country, church groups, and organizations consisting of individuals from a specific country who wish to provide assistance to their native country.

CAR RAFFLE



Director of Operations Larry Biron presenting winner, Renee L. Ryan, with Early Bird prize.

At MSNI's quarterly board meeting held in Fayetteville, Arkansas, on July 19th, the Early Bird drawing was held for the 42-inch flat screen TV. The winner, chosen by Past District Governor Fred Vorsinger, was Mrs. Renee L. Ryan from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The Grand Prize drawing for the 2009 Mercedes C300 will take place at our District Conference in Joplin, Missouri, September 28th, during the MSNI Annual Meeting.

Attached with this mailing please find a raffle ticket order form.

