#### **Visiting Rotarians**

**Keith Argow of Vienna** 

May 15, 2007

Paul Sawtell & David Coyle

## Today's Meeting

Preeti Krishnan
"Save A Child Now Foundation"

Preeti Krishnan is currently a senior at Langley high school in McLean, graduating in June. She will be attending Georgetown University in the fall. Her vacation to India in 2001 resulted in bringing the best out of her exemplifying character. She was completely touched by the needs of hundreds of thousands of poor children in India and she felt better only after establishing a Foundation called "Save a Child Now" to help many innocent children all over the world. Her continuing efforts resulted in raising \$10,000 and the fund today is being used to send money where there is a need for children. www.saveachildnow.org.

#### **Announcements**

John Leonard's father Dr. William "Bill" Leonard, a Distinguished Rotarian from New York and Florida, passed away recently. Bob Rosenbaum read thankyou's from Pimmit High School Scholarship awardees. Paul Sawtell and Stan Richards were awarded Sapphire Paul Harris pins for continued support of the Rotary International Foundation. McLean Day is May 19, at Lewinsville Park, lots of manpower is needed.

#### Guests

Del Ankers, a guest of Mike Holleran
Lauren Cooper, a guest of Ed Shahin
Bill DuBose, a guest of Jeff DiMeglio
Gailmarie Goldrick, a guest of Chuck Thornton
Tanya Valdez, a guest of Ed Shahin
Margi Vanderhye, a guest of Pam Danner

## **Last Meeting**

Last week we were graced with the presence of **John Gaudet**, author of **The Iron Snake**. **The Iron Snake** is an historical novel based on the construction of the railway between Mombassa and Nairobi in the 1890's. **John** lived in Uganda and Nairobi, Kenya for 17 years and decided to write about it.

#### **Happy Talk**

Today (May 8) is **Martha Child's** birthday; she is having parties all week. **Cherry Baumbusch** supplied our GSE team with artisan note cards as host gifts. She also created a scarf with renditions of her artwork for the GSE team to use while in Southern Africa (and after they return). **Bill Stell** is driving to Blacksburg this weekend; his 6th grandchild

# **Upcoming Speakers**

May 22 - Vince Callahan, Jr.

Member, House of Delegates, 34th Dist.

## **Happy Talk Continued**

is graduating from college. Chet Gray is going to Tallahassee. Naila Alam made a special visit to the White House. Pamela Danner was happy to have hosted Anya from the South African GSE team. Ed **Shahin** is happy the Community Center is expanding into downtown McLean. He is not so happy that the Nats (also referred to as the Gnats) are on their way to a record losing season. Mike DeRose attended a NASCAR event at Richmond Raceway. **Helen Hergenroeder** returned from Big Sur and is happy to have been in the US for 25 years. **Chuck** Thornton is hosting another Chesterbrook Chat, with music supplied by Ed Shahin (is he the next **Bob Rosenbaum?). Keith Argow** is always happy to makeup at McLean. Ricardo Balcells returned (sans blonde hair) from sailing in British Virgin Islands. Larry Deigh bought a new home in Ashburn. Kenny Yang is going to Croatia for ten days. John Rosenbaum had fun playing with Bob Hahne in the Little League Golf Tournament. John McEvilly has a daughter visiting Beijing, currently. Paul Ward is happy to be celebrating his 20th wedding anniversary.