



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS  
OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF  
DAVENPORT

A CENTURY OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF



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## ROTARY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AGENDA

5:30 – 6:30p Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres  
View displays from other Rotary Clubs

6:30 – 6:45p Color Guard Presentation and Opening comments

6:45p – 6:50p Dr. Ed Rogalski Invocation

6:50p – 7:20p Dinner is served

7:20p -7:30p Recognition of special guests

7:30p – 7:35p Scene One of the play

7:35p – 7:55p Immediate Past President of Rotary International  
Ray Klingensmith

7:55p – 8:05 Rotary Scholarship Recipients to speak on Rotary's influence in their life

8:05p – 8:15p Dessert break

8:15p – 8:20p Scene Two of the play

8:20p – 8:40p Command Sgt. Major Steve Blake Guest Speaker

8:40p – 8:45p Closing Remarks Rotary Centennial Celebration Agenda



## LETTER FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR AND DISTRICT 6000 MAP.

Dear President Hamann,

Colleen and I especially enjoyed visiting your club and learning about all the activities that you do locally and internationally. Since the club has been in Davenport for 100 years, its impact has been immense.

As mentioned during my presentation when I talked about the movie, "It's a Wonderful Life," we sometimes forget the value of you, as Rotarians, add to the Davenport Community. Because of your club's commitment over the last 100 years, there is no doubt that Davenport is a better place to live because of all the Rotarians who have dedicated their lives to improving the community.

Therefore, I want to extend special congratulations to the Rotary Club of Davenport and its members on your 100th Anniversary. The commitment and dedication of your members to the ideals of Rotary has helped to build Rotary into the organization it is today. Best wishes in the next 100 years.

With great respect and admiration,

Gary L. Welch  
2010-2011 District Governor

## THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## THE FOUR-WAY TEST

The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions:

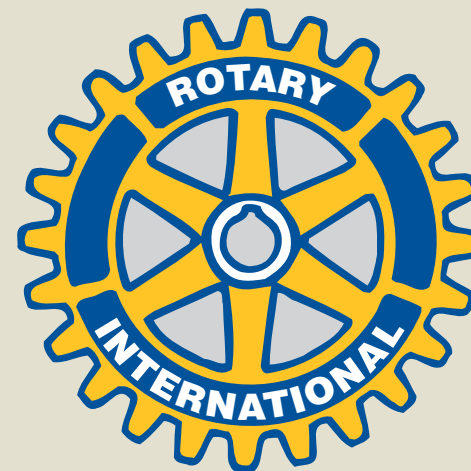
Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

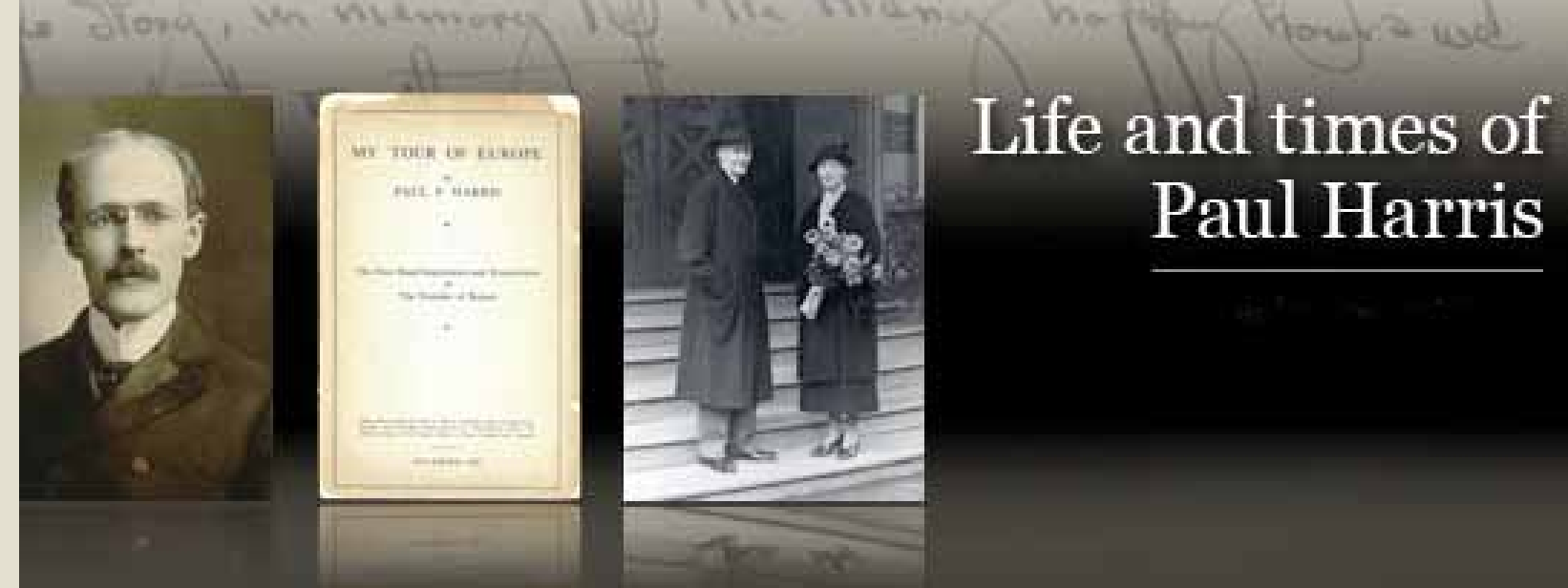
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



## MISSION

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders. See the RI Strategic Plan.



## ROTARY'S ORIGINATION IN CHICAGO

In 1905 in Chicago, Illinois, founder and attorney Paul Harris likely had a much smaller vision for his Rotary than what has come to be known throughout the world for its dedication to service and international goodwill. Raised in a rural village in Vermont, Harris envisioned a new kind of club for professionals that would kindle the fellowship and friendly spirit he had known in his youth.

On 23 February 1905, Harris and three friends - Silvester Schiele, a coal dealer, Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor, and Gustavus Loehr, a mining engineer - met at an office in downtown Chicago. They discussed Harris' idea that business leaders should meet periodically to enjoy camaraderie and decided to enlarge their circle of business and professional acquaintances. Meeting weekly, this new club limited its membership to one representative from each business and profession.

Though the men didn't use the term Rotary that night, that gathering is commonly regarded as the first Rotary club meeting. Soon, after enlisting a fifth member, printer Harry Ruggles, the group formally organized as the Rotary Club of Chicago. The original club emblem, a wagon wheel design, was the precursor of the familiar cogwheel emblem now used by Rotarians worldwide.

By the end of 1905, the club's roster showed a membership of 30, with Schiele as president and Ruggles as treasurer. Paul Harris initially declined office in the new club but served as its president two years later. With membership growing, meetings moved from offices to hotels and restaurants, where many Rotary club meetings are held today.



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To the members of the  
Rotary Club of Davenport, Iowa, USA

My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary:

I am pleased to offer my congratulations to you as you celebrate your club's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

100 years ago, your club's charter members came together to begin a Rotary club—to share their enthusiasm and their vision to make Davenport a better place.

Today, Davenport is a better place, because it has a Rotary club—where men and women of talent, ability, caring, and compassion come together to share their strengths with others. It is my belief that we Rotarians are pragmatic idealists, who bring our ideals to life through our Rotary service. We aspire to live our lives ethically, honestly, with the Four-Way Test to guide us, as we work to elevate ourselves and thereby, to elevate the world.

All the lights of the world cannot be compared even to one ray of inner light of the self. And when Rotarians come together in love and service, those rays of inner light burn more brightly together. In the years to come, this is my wish for your club: that the flame of love and devotion burn in your hearts, that the light of understanding shine in your minds, that the warmth of harmony glow in your homes, and that the bright rays of service shine forth ceaselessly from your hands.

Sincerely,

Kalyan Banerjee  
President, 2011-2012

## LETTER FROM 2011-2012 PRESIDENT



Dear Rotary Club of Davenport,

It is a great privilege to be serving as your President on such a momentous occasion as your 100th anniversary!

This club has accomplished so many wonderful things since its inception. Our founding fathers would be very proud to know their club is not only existing 100 years later, but thriving!

It is with great pride that I can share with others what this Rotary club has meant to the Quad Cities and the world! This is one of the first clubs in the world. We are club number 34. There are over 34,000 clubs in the world with more than 1,200,000 members! And to think the young University of Iowa graduate, Paul Harris, started it all in February of 1905.

The Rotary Club of Davenport has sponsored 9 clubs throughout Iowa and the Quad Cities. I am proud to say these clubs are doing very well and serving their communities and the world.

The Davenport club has also given nearly 1 million dollars in scholarships to local Davenport high school seniors!

We have done hundreds of local projects to benefit those in need in our community, along with numerous international projects that help to build or rebuild impoverished communities.

Congratulations Rotary Club of Davenport on 100 years of service above self!

Sincerely,  
Michael Hamann



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CHARTER MEMBERS

- William T. Waterman, President
- Frank Skinner, Secretary
- H. D. Spencer, Treasurer
- Fred Barr
- R. E. Beedee
- H. C. Blackwell
- Charles Boggs
- Dr. George Decker
- W. P. Dodge
- John Feeney
- George Feiner
- Ben Hansen
- W. H. Harrison
- V. E. Hayward
- Bert Halligan
- Charles Huber
- William Hickey
- O. C. Hill
- Lou Lasher
- Web Mason
- Tom McGowan
- George Noth
- William Pohlman
- Howard Power
- Fred Ray
- E. H. Sanford
- E. M. White
- Dick Waters

CURRENT MEMBERS

Jane Artman-Andrews	2005	Stephen Gray	2005	John J. O'Connor	1965
William D. Ashton	1977	Gregory A. Gutgsell	1985	Daniel F. Palmer	1984
Tara Barney	2007	Michael E. Hamann	1994	Larry Patten	2010
William K. Beck	1990	Dudley M. Hanson	1991	Roger E. Peet	1991
Rick Best	1997	James R. Havercamp	1994	Peter A. Peterson	1977
Tom Bowman	2008	Ralph H. Heninger	1994	Betsy Pratt	2001
Jack F. Broderick	1973	Joanne Hermiston	2008	Eugene G. Rettenmaier	1965
Bill Burress	1979	LeeAnn Herrera	2006	R. William Rider	1982
Don S. Challed	1958	Dennis E. Hoaglin	1987	Patricia Rolfstad	2002
Tony Ciabattoni	2006	Robert G. Hockridge	1994	Jack Rosenberg	2011
Michael Clarke	2009	Jon Honsey	2004	Wesley W. Rostenbach	1974
Dennis Conard	2009	Barbara C. Howe	1997	LaWanda Roudebush	2004
Kenneth F. Conlon	1979	Kevin Howell	2001	Roger Schemmel Jr.	1997
Ken Croken	2008	Glen Hummel	2002	Mary Schricker	2002
Michael Dau	2006	Steven T. Hunter	1990	Mark J. Schwab	1985
Brian DeLaney	1997	Nancy Jacobsen	2005	Rob Scott	2004
Terry Dell	2010	Michael Johnson	2010	Bob Sharp	2008
K. Daniel DeVries	2000	Paul E. Johnson	1985	Kerry Skinner	2006
Daniel Dillie	2002	William Johnson	1996	Susan Skora	2006
Bill Doll	2001	Jody Jones	2007	Matt Slavens	2006
Francis Donchez	2008	er	2002	Julie Smith	2010
John R. Doyle	1955	Kenneth Koupal	1997	Dan Solchenberger	1997
Eric Dresing	2010	Greg Larrison	1996	James C. Stopulos	1985
Carl W. Dresselhaus	1961	Joshua Lederman	2005	James R. Stuhler	1973
MEllen Kabat-Lensch	2009	A.J. Loss	2008	Thomas A. Sunderbruch	1985
Roger Killion	1999	Gary Loss	1996	R. Jay Taets	2004
Dick Kleine	1999	Donald H. Luethje	1980	Teresa A. Thinnis	1988
Frank Klipsch	1988	Chris Lunardi	2007	Rosalie Thomas	2007
Paul Koch	1999	Greg Lundgren	1996	Maggie Tinsman	1998
Kevin Koellnichael L.Duffy	1983	Regina Matheson	2009	Carleton E. Toole	1978
Brock Earnhardt	1986	Michael F. McAleer	1975	Christopher Townsend	2000
Sean Eckhardt	2011	Thomas McDermott	2006	Melissa Van Ert Traman	2011
Rebecca A. (Becky) Eiting	1989	F. Ross McFadden	1958	Marlin M. Volz Jr.	1996
Chuck Elbert	2007	R. Eugene Meeker	1993	James L. Wayne	1984
Patricia Englander	2011	Kirk Metzger	2002	John R. Wellman	1992
Thomas P. Fedje	1975	Larry Minard	2000	Dana Wilkinson	1998
Monica Forret	2000	Randy Moore	2009	Robert Winters	2011
Ian Frink	2010	Steve Morency	1980	Brian Wright	2011
Douglas M. Garner	1968	Robert Morrison	2008	Mark A. Zimmerman	1983
Kirk Goodman	2008	Brian Nagle	1997	Carl E. Zurborg	1961
Cheryl Goodwin	2006	John Nahra	2001		
Jason Gordon	2009	Patrick Newhouse	2011		
Todd Grady	2011	James W. O'Brien	1980		



# THE HISTORY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DAVENPORT

## Reaching the Milepost of a Century of Service

It was the year 1911 when W. H. Harrison, a Davenport insurance man decided to visit Iowa's first Rotary Club in Des Moines. Upon returning home, he called William T. Waterman, Harry K. Spencer, Frank Skinner and Tom McGowan to tell of his experience. Those five men decided to organize a Rotary Club in Davenport.

The above mentioned men worked diligently in selecting members, and on November 11, 1911 twenty-eight charter members got together for their first Rotary meeting at the Davenport Hotel. At that meeting, William T. Waterman was elected President, Frank Skinner, Secretary and H. D. Spencer, Treasurer.

The first three regular meetings of the Club were held at the Davenport Hotel. After that, they met at the Kimball Hotel until 1916. Since that year, and until 2000, the Blackhawk Hotel was our meeting place with a record of 84 years of service in hospitality. Since then, we have been meeting at the Outing Club.

The basic purpose of early Rotary was primarily to develop mutual helpfulness among members. Soon, however, the Club moved toward a mature civic club when members took the opportunity and responsibility to serve not only fellow members, but the community as well. At Christmas time in 1911, the concern for others was shown when the Club gave aid and support to 110 needy children. That project continued for 10 years until in 1921 the effort was consolidated into the organization which is now the Sunshine Club. The Sunshine Club still exists today, and continues to reflect our interest with their mission to improve the lives of persons with special needs.

In 1912, the Club established a Boy Scout Troop. That support continued and came to full fruition in 1928 with the construction of Paarman Hall at Camp Minneyata. The next major project followed in 1913 when the Davenport Beautiful Contest encouraged neighbors to improve their laws and gardens. This contest drew national attention and was recognized

and published in the LADIES HOME JOURNAL. As a result of the publicity, the project was copied by many other cities and other organizations. Grants and support were given to the Friendly House from



1926 until 1950. Of Friendly House, a neighborhood settlement, the late Alfred C. Mueller, its President and a Rotarian, said, "Its neighborhood is Davenport". The Friendly House continues its good service today.

The most notable achievement in the history of the Club is the establishment of the Rotary Memorial College Loan and Scholarship Fund. It was established on May 29, 1922 in memory of the 276 men and women of Scott County who gave their lives during World War I. After an initial funding of \$2500, the fund continued growing from Club members' contributions on their birthdays and other significant events along with two sizeable donations from James and Marguerite Dunn and from Walter and Alice Ackerman. At our 50th Anniversary, the fund exceeded \$56,000 and had given 193 college students some of the needed means to a higher education. Today, the fund has grown to a value of nearly 1.2 million dollars, has made loans to over 400 students and has awarded scholarships to 78 students totaling \$916,500. The current scholarship program is one of the largest in the Quad Cities metro area providing four \$10,000 and one \$16,000 scholarship annually. Every year, there is keen competition among the very best students in the area.

Through the years, popular speakers have honored us with their presence and have provided us with a wide variety of inspiring and educational messages. Captain George Barr, one of Doolittle's Raiders was a speaker, as was Senator Hubert Humphrey in 1959, former Special Assistant to John F. Kennedy, Arthur Schlesinger in 1966, guidance columnist Ann Landers in 1974, Green Bay Packer football great Ray Nitschke in 1978 and in 1980 Leon Jaworski, former Special Prosecutor on Watergate. Vice President George H.W. Bush also made a stop in 1986. Others have included Dr. Gregory Geoffrey, President of Iowa State University in 2010 and Dr. Sally Mason, President of the University of Iowa in 2011. These are but a few of the many quality speakers that the Club has had the opportunity to host. Two members of the Club have been tapped for Knighthood. King Christian X of Denmark knighted Sir John Hansen for outstanding work in providing their country with food and clothing during the German occupation of Denmark from 1940 to 1945. In 1967, Sir Bert C. Wetsell was knighted into the Order of the Knights of Malta by King Peter II of Yugoslavia.

There were two members who have served as District Governors, William M. Brandon in 1937-38 and Henry



Hook in 1973-74. Serving as District Governor is a significant responsibility, as that individual organizes and leads the District in numerous activities. In addition to that, the Governor has the important job of visiting each of the 63 Rotary Clubs in the District 6000, as well as participating in special events that arise during the year.

Early members were from a large cross-section of the community including law, finance, agriculture,

education, manufacturing and other professions. Those members contributed a lot toward the development of our community, much the same as is happening today. Old timers recall when the wives of members were called "Rotary Ann's" and were invited to various Rotary functions. This was before women were inducted into Rotary, so the term is no longer in use.

In recent years, the Club has turned its attention to a balance of activities by adding world service projects to the already impressive array of community services and youth service projects. Rotary President Bill Ashton led a group of 14 from District 6000 to Surat, India for their National Immunization day when they were part of a team that immunized 284,000 children under the age of 5 in Surat in one day.

In 2001, President Brock Earnhardt led a group of four members to the remote Mayan Indian villages in Guatemala's Sierra Madre Mountains. This team looked for and completed water projects in a number of these villages to ensure them a supply of clean drinking water. In 2010, Earnhardt together with 13 other Rotarians from the midwest U. S. and Canada, participated in a Project Safari in Nigeria. The purpose was to provide trust and understanding and to identify potential humanitarian service projects, and at the same time attempting to identify partners who would advance them. The group also advised the Nigerian Rotarians about the grant application process.

As pointed out elsewhere, our Club has been active throughout the years in spreading Rotary to other communities. There are nine area Rotary Clubs that Davenport Rotary aided in their becoming organized. All of these clubs have become very effective Rotary units in serving their communities, the District and Rotary International.

Our Club now has 164 Paul Harris Fellows and two Rotary Foundation Benefactors. All members currently contribute to the Rotary Foundation, and the all time giving to the Foundation now totals over \$354,000.

Through the years, our Club has been known for the values of service, friendliness and generosity toward others.

# PAST PRESIDENTS

William T. Waterman	1911-12	William N. Brandon	1934-35	Rex A. Kleinhen	1958-59	George W. Vieth	1983-84	Burdette W. Hagen	2006-07
Wilfred H. Harrison	1912	Neal D. Kelley	1935-36	Rev. Emerson Miller	1959-60	Harold R. Bischman	1984-85	Dr. Monica Forret	2007-08
Albert F. Dawson	1912-13	E. LeRoy Johnson	1936-37	W. J. Cole/Dr. Robert J. Getman	1960-61	Thomas L. Myers	1985-86	William L. Burress	2008-09
Charles S. Huber	1913-14	Sam Fetter	1937-38	Robert Fritzsche	1961-62	Dr. Edward Rogalski	1986-87	R. Brian DeLaney	2009-10
Howard W. Power	1914-15	A.I. Naumann	1938-39	Raymond C. Judd	1962-63	Larry S. Reed	1987-88	Glen Hummel	2010-11
Oswald Becker	1915-16	Harry J. Lytle	1939-40	Hugh H. Hannah	1963-64	William C. Kubec	1988-89	Michael E. Hamann	2011-12
William H. Korn	1916-17	Blair A. Phillips	1940-41	Arthur Hall	1964-65	Judge Jack F. Broderick	1989-90		
Verner E. Hayward	1917-18	Thomas Whitlock	1941-42	Eugene C. Hawkinson	1965-66	John J. Grady	1990-91		
Charles R. Henderson	1918-19	Ralph Evans	1942-43	Henry J. Lischer	1966-67	James F. Weerts	1991-92		
Lee J. Dougherty	1919-20	Herbert Braack	1943-44	Henry B. Hook	1967-68	Edward J. Hartman	1992-93		
John Ed Krouse	1920-21	Frank M. Schwab	1944-45	Richard A. Reed	1969	Michael J. Smith	1993-94		
Harry K. Spencer	1921-22	George M. Cummins	1945-46	Edward E. Hackner	1969;1970-71	Carl E. Zurborg	1994-95		
Frank D. Throop	1922-23	Harry R. Bartlett	1946-47	John J. Schmid	1971-72	Douglas M. Garner	1995-96		
Albert J. Russell	1923-24	Fenn C. Horton	1947-48	Richard E. Phillips	1972-73	Francis P. Ivory	1996-97		
Charles H. Crowe	1924-25	Henry Meese	1948-49	Richard H. Schmidt	1973-74	Rebecca A. Eiting	1997-98		
Ray Nyemaster	1925-26	Harry M. Nabstedt	1949-50	John E. Mucha	1974-75	Kenneth F. Conlon	1998-99		
Dr. Charles L. Leigh	1926-27	Dr. Louis H. Kornder	1950-51	Richard D. Rickert	1975-76	William D. Ashton	1999-00		
Chris H. Heuck	1927-28	Alfred J. Rashid	1951-52	Fred L. Zimmerman	1976-77	K. Brock Earnhardt	2000-01		
Edward J. Carroll	1928-29	Joseph C. Bransby	1952-53	Thomas W. Priester	1977-78	Daniel M. Foley	2001-02		
Milton Hult	1929-30	Dr. Chester H. Findley	1953-54	Donald H. Sitz	1978-79	Dudley M. Hanson	2002-03		
Edward A. Schmidt	1930-31	Earl J. Pierce	1954-55	Lee Marts	1979-80	Thomas A. Sunderbruch	2003-04		
Kirk A. Hills	1931-32	Alfred Magnusson	1955-56	John F. Rider	1980-81	Teresa A. Thinnis	2004-05		
John H. Soller	1932-33	Donald G. Healey	1956-57	Don S. Challed	1981-82	James Graham	2005-06		
Albert R. Bawden	1933-34	John M. Hollingsworth	1957-58	Paul L. Eckert	1982-83				



## WOMEN JOIN THE RANKS OF ROTARY

One of the great moments in the history of Rotary is when in 1989 the Council on Legislation voted to admit women into Rotary Clubs worldwide. The United States Supreme Court had previously ruled that women should be allowed into Rotary. This action followed years of effort by men and women throughout the Rotary world who had been working for the admission of women into Rotary.

Before the 1989 vote, the Rotary International Constitution and By-Laws stated that only males would be permitted membership. Our Davenport Rotary Club was an early leader in welcoming women into our Club. In August of 1987, two years ahead of the Rotary International change, ten women became members of our Club. Those ten were:

Eleanor M. Duffy	Lois Jecklin
Vada H. Reed	Linda H. Weeks
Kay Runge	Vickie Palmer Miller
Tracey Kuehl	Donna K. Ebeling
Susan Ploeger	Dr. Wanda Bigham

This early acceptance of women into our Club has provided us with some excellent talent to fill top leadership positions as well as Chairpersons on numerous committees.

At this time, the following women have served as President of Davenport Rotary:

Becky Eiting	1997-98
Terry Thinnes	2004-05
Dr. Monica Forret	2007-08

Our Vice President/ President Elect for 2012-13 is Cheryl Goodwin.



Becky Eiting, First woman to preside over the Rotary Club of Davenport



### Not just another Rotary member

Eleanor Duffy, Davenport, attended Monday noon's Rotary meeting at the Blackhawk Hotel as the guest of her son, Mike, left, but she'll be able to attend next Monday's meeting as one of 12 full-fledged female members, the first women to be admitted to the Davenport

organization. New president Larry Reed gives a hearty welcome to Mrs. Duffy, who is chairwoman of the board of Per Mar Security Co. and a board member of the Quad-City Times Plus 60 Club. (QUAD-CITY TIMES photo by Harry Boll.)

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## INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DAVENPORT

Rotary's Fourth Avenue of Service, International Service, is what sets the organization apart from all other service clubs, working to advance international understanding, goodwill, and peace through fellowship with other Rotarians around the world, united in the ideal of service.

The Rotary Club of Davenport has, for many years, sent its presidents elect to RI's international conventions to experience the fellowship of Rotary at the international level. While we have a wealth of international travel stories, none compare to that of 1990 Past President Jack Broderick. Jack and wife Gayle travelled to Beijing, China after the convention in Seoul, South Korea in 1989. From their hotel on Tiananmen Square where they were stuck for nearly a week, Jack was an eyewitness to history in the student protests and military massacre.

Over the last two decades, Davenport Rotary has become a leader in international service, beginning with a Rotary couples exchange in which Past President Larry Reed and Vada travelled to India in 1994. Larry writes, "The Rotary couples exchange program was unique to District 6000. Vada and I were selected to represent our district in the exchange. We were in India for 35 days. We visited 33 Rotary clubs during that time; we were the program at 31 clubs. We attended two district conferences, met hundreds of Rotarians and their families, learned

about dozens of club and district projects, visited hospitals, villages, nature preserves, orphanages, temples, factories, youth camps and on and on. We took the train from Madras to Mysore and Bangalore in south central India. Then we motored, visiting numerous towns and Rotary clubs along the way, to Pondicherry. We saw beautiful countryside, rural villages, historic grandeur, enormous wealth and mind-numbing poverty. The people were wonderful, friendly, gentle and very hospitable. We communicated with several of them for perhaps ten years after our return. It was the trip of a lifetime and it had a profound impact on both of our lives. It humanizes international service and reminds us, constantly, that we are indeed our brother's keeper.



Bill Ashton took our club and District 6000 to the highest level of international involvement in 2000 during his club presidency

when he led a fourteen-person team to a Polio National Immunization Day in India. Ashton's team included 1997 Past President Becky Eiting; 2002 PP Dan Foley; 2003 PP Dudley Hanson; Maggie DeLaney, as well as 2000 District Governor Ray Muston and 2003 DG Gary Pacha. They flew to Mumbai and travelled by car to around Gujarat state in western India. The group spent a day performing polio vaccinations in the slums of Surat, providing immunizations to more than 10,000 children. In all of India, Rotary immunized more than 284,000 children that day.

After returning Ashton initiated Davenport Rotary's first matching grant application with the Rotary Club of Surat. Approved in May 2000, the project provided a computer education center to train tribal girls. Over the next ten years, Davenport Rotary partnered with twenty-nine different Indian Rotary clubs on matching grant projects that have provided toilet blocks for a leprosy sanitarium; a mammography machine for a cancer center; 140 water wells and/or distribution systems; two ambulances for hospitals; oral cancer screening for 5000 students and laser surgery for 30 found to require treatment; repairs to an earthquake-damaged girls school; hospital beds, medical and dental equipment for an orphanage; furniture, equipment, supplies and computers for 16 schools serving poor and handicapped children; a garbage bio-gas converter;



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL SERVICE, CONTINUED

a dental clinic-equipped van; equipment to furnish a dental clinic for poor people; a polio corrective surgery camp; farming equipment; a critical care ventilator for a hospital; a YAG laser for cataract correction and cataract surgery for 1,000 needy persons.

One India project stands out from all the rest: Davenport Rotary partnered with the RC of Rajkot Midtown to construct a village for 300 families displaced by



the 7.9 magnitude earthquake in Gujarat state. The \$284,457 project provided homes, schools, a community center, utilities and amenities under The Rotary Foundation's largest and most competitive grant type, the Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grant, the only 3-H Grant ever approved for a D6000 club. Ashton and Foley returned to India in 2004 to inspect completed projects and prospect for new applications. Ashton travelled to India again in 2007.

In 2001, during his club presidency, Brock Earnhardt organized a project exploratory trip to Guatemala. The team – 2000 PP Bill Ashton,

2003 PP Dudley Hanson, 2009 PP Bill Burress and Earnhardt – travelled to Barillas in the western highlands of the country where they trekked for two weeks visiting a dozen Mayan villages, impoverished settlements of people who had either hidden out in the remote area during the long civil war that ended just four years earlier or were returning from refugee camps in Mexico to start new communities. The team focused on the villages' needs

for satisfactory water supplies by providing equipment for "rainwater harvesting," collecting runoff from roofs and directing into tanks but also supported purchase of a mechanized corn grinder for these people for whom corn is the diet staple and helped finance construction of a road to a medical clinic being developed. Back home, Ashton designed a large concrete tank that was built the following year to collect water from a small seasonal spring.

The team returned to the western highlands in 2003. During the second trip, the team

strengthened relationships with Rotarians in Guatemala City and Huehuetenango that have resulted in matching grant projects for a fire truck, firefighting equipment, an ambulance and a large water supply collection and distribution project. The Huehuetenango relationship helped lead Iowa MOST – the D6000 and University of Iowa Miles of Smiles Team collaboration – to select that city as the site for its cleft lip/cleft palate reconstruction surgery project that has successfully improved the lives of more than 250 patients.

In all, since Bill Ashton filed Davenport Rotary's first matching grant application in 2000, the club and our host country partners have completed humanitarian service projects costing more than \$1,050,000. Much more if the value of Rotarian volunteer labor is considered.

Davenport Rotarians have spurred D6000 to become a world leader in international humanitarian service projects. Burress and Earnhardt have travelled to Central America Project Fairs in Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica and Belize to find worthwhile matching grant projects and reliable partners for D6000 clubs. Ashton, Foley, Burress, Hanson and Earnhardt have given numerous programs to other clubs and non-Rotary organizations, talking about the Davenport projects, explaining The Rotary Foundation grant process and introducing clubs to potential projects. Ashton, Burress and Earnhardt have served on the district's international grants committee, Earnhardt as the chair

## ROTARY CLUB OF DAVENPORT LOCAL SERVICE

### ROTARY PROBATION PROGRAM

In 1971 the Rotary Club of Davenport embarked on a rather ambitious project, the Probation Program. With the cooperation of the court system in Scott County, we undertook the task of serving as probation officers for first-time drug offenders. This was done with the understanding that the courts would screen the defendants to limit the project to those who appeared to have a good chance for rehabilitation.

It soon became apparent that we would need help because of the number of cases involved. We recruited the North Scott and Bettendorf Rotary clubs to join us. Together we had 85 members to serve as probation officers.

Most of the defendants were young people in their late teens or early twenties. The main job of the probation officer was to provide a shoulder to cry on, assist the person in obtaining a job or completing their education and generally acting as a friend or parent that was lacking in their home life.

As the years went by, the juvenile court decided to join our project which increased the case load considerably. We now had cases involving shoplifting, intoxication, fighting, and many other juvenile offenses. Altogether we had over 850 cases of first-time drug offenders and over 275 juvenile cases. This was strictly a one on one basis with no probation officer

handling more than one case at a time. The length of probation was set by the court, but usually amounted to six months. The success of this project was astonishing, at about 80% of the defendants never returned to the court system! In fact there were several instances where former probationers would contact their Rotarian probation officer seeking advice on personal and professional matters.

According to one probationer, his Rotarian probation officer was the one who turned his life around and was the one person they respected and could look up to!



### ROTARY YOUTH HARVEST PARTY

On a cold, crisp day in October of 2006, two hundred underprivileged Davenport youths, experienced an afternoon of fun at a farm and pumpkin patch in rural Scott County. This marked the beginning of one of the Davenport Rotary's most successful community service projects ever!

The New Member Committee was tasked with creating and implementing





a service activity for the club. The new members came together and explored various ideas and options. What came out of it was The Rotary Youth Harvest Party.

Members planned and secured interest in participation with a number of local youth serving agencies in the community. Work began to determine the site, transportation, food, Rotary volunteers and a schedule for the day.

The goal for the project was to provide a positive activity for Davenport's "most needy" children, while teaching them about community service and why Rotary exists.

Buses picked up the youth after school and brought them to the Pride of the Wapsi Pumpkin Patch. Many of these children had never been to the "country", let alone a pumpkin patch or a farm.

Hay racks transported the kids out into the patch to pick their very own pumpkin to take home. The

petting zoo, bonfires and corn maze provided additional activities of fun. Of course the trip would not be complete without food. Hot dogs, chips, pop and the ever famous S'mores cooked over the bon fires.

It is debated on who has more fun, the kids or the volunteers!

This event quickly became a huge success and needed to be an annual project. The Youth Harvest Party has completed its 6th year and has served over 1,500 children! Other Rotary Clubs have been invited and share in the success as this event continues to grow. Included as give a ways to the kids, have been gloves, hats, bags, shirts, and mittens.

In 2007 the Davenport Rotary was a recipient of the District 6000 Simplified Grant in order to help financially support the second year. In 2008 the Davenport Rotary and North Scott Rotary was recognized and awarded the Best Cooperative Project by District 6000 for the Youth Harvest Party!

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## VETERANS FOR VETERANS HOUSING

The push to provide supportive housing for local homeless veterans and their families kicked off on Veterans Day 2003, when four Iowa Quad City Rotary groups: Davenport, North Scott, Bettendorf, and Iowa Quad Cities, pledged \$15,000 toward a down-payment on a four-unit apartment building. The single complex is comprised of 1100 sq-ft townhouse units, each with three bedrooms.

Veterans for Veterans Housing, Inc., a non-profit organization, was

established on August 12, 2003. Its mission is to provide homeless veterans affordable housing in the hope that it will enable them greater success in transitioning/assimilating into society again.

The first two units needed extensive remodeling. The third and fourth units needed to be torn down



to the wall studs before being completely built back up. Local navy construction battalion units, Seabees, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 229, Run to the Wall Motorcycle Club, local business leaders from Associated Builders and Contractors, and fellow Rotarians were instrumental in doing grunt work to bring the townhouse complex back into first class living condition. These volunteers and vendors contributed thousands of dollars worth of their expertise, manual labor, and products.

Sarah Oliver, a social worker for the Veterans Affairs Outreach program based in Iowa City, initially helped with tenant placement. "Getting out of homelessness is sort of like recovering from drugs," Oliver said. "Some, when they've lived outside for a really long time, have a tough

time living inside again. A place to live brings hope back into the equation."

The shelter was dedicated the "Katz House - A Home for Veterans" in March of 2006. Merrill Anderson and Bruce Katz, both Rotarians and veterans, were co-founders of Veterans for Veterans Housing, Inc. Bruce died in August of 2006. Merrill died in April of 2010. Both were so proud of Veterans for Veterans Housing, Inc. Their vision lives on.

## ROTARY AND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Over the past few years, Davenport Rotary has been a supporter of the Habitat for Humanity. On three occasions, our club has organized groups of Davenport Rotarians and their guests, to help this worthwhile organization achieve their goal of building simple, decent and affordable housing for families in need.

When a home is completed, the recipient family purchases the home from Habitat for Humanity on a no-interest mortgage. The cost to construct each home is significantly subsidized by discounted building materials and volunteer labor so that Habitat's mission can make the greatest impact possible.

The house on which we volunteered during Fall 2009 is located at 1610 Eastern Avenue in Davenport. It was a brisk day on December 5th, so we were fortunate that most of the work

was inside. Finishing of railings, miscellaneous framing, preparation for mechanical and electrical rough-in work and insulation were the focus of the day's work. Chairman A.J. Loss and coordinator Dennis Hoaglin supervised the 14 volunteers that day.

On May 5th, 2010 we worked on a house located at 1106 Ripley Street in Davenport. Some of the projects done that day included: installing Tyvek air barrier, vinyl siding, roof/felt shingles, exterior windows and doors, along with miscellaneous wall framing. Kirk Metzger organized the work of the 17 volunteers.

Our most recent project in the Fall of 2010 was when our Rotary club assisted in the construction of a house at 525 W. 11th St. in Davenport. The work day occurred on November 13th, another cold day. The work was done inside and out. A.J. Loss, Dennis Hoaglin, and Kirk Metzger teamed up to



coordinate the day's work along with 10 volunteers. Soffits were installed and framing inside on the main floor and in the basement was completed. Some dry wall was hung that day also.

### **NAHANT MARSH EDUCATIONAL CENTER POND ACCESS PROJECT**

The Nahant Marsh Educational Center exposes thousands of local students of all backgrounds to the importance of the environment with hands on demonstrations. However, the pond in the center of the marsh was not accessible during high water events, so the Rotary Club of Davenport came to the rescue in October of 2009. A member of the Davenport club, Chris Townsend who is a civil engineer, organized a group of Rotarians to build a 150 foot long wood dock that would solve the problem for the 513-acre wetland area adjacent to the Mississippi River in southwest Davenport.



A group of 18 Davenport Rotarians along with some family members and friends gathered on October 18, 2009 to build and put in place

a 150 foot boardwalk that allowed access from dry ground to an existing dock on the pond's edge. It was a nice sunny day for the crew to work. Much of the materials were purchased at a discounted price from longtime Davenport Rotarian Bill Burress's Seiffert Lumber. Many of the crew were familiar with construction and even worked in the building industry. Others just knew how to carry materials or swing a hammer to help. Rotarian AJ Loss, a construction company Executive could draw on his past on-line experience to show the crew short cuts and efficient ways to get the job done. The crew worked until it got too dark to see and while they had made significant progress, the project was not completely done. Several of the crew members came back the following weekend to finish the project. Below is a list of the people who help build the elevated wooden walkway that many students of nature have since used to make their way to the pond in the middle of the marsh.

Chris Townsend  
Kirk Metzger  
Glen Hummel  
Jon Honsey  
Brian DeLaney  
Mike Hamann  
Bill Burress  
Josh Lederman  
AJ Loss  
Mark Zimmerman  
Tom Bowman  
Brian Muckenfuss (friend of Chris Townsend)  
Brian Nagle  
Matt Slavens  
Scott Teasdale  
Linnea Teasdale  
Thompson Teasdale  
Kerry Skinner

Thanks to the work of a few Davenport Rotarians, kids from kindergarten up to 9th grade, as well as adults who want to learn more about nature can more easily take advantage of the offerings of the Nahant Marsh Education Center for years to come.

### **ROTARY STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

For more than twenty years, Davenport Rotary sponsored one of the largest student exchange programs in Rotary. In the spring of each school year, beginning in 1980, as many as 25 students from German language classes in the four Davenport high schools were chosen to travel to Kaiserslautern, Davenport's Sister City in Germany. Burg Gymnasium Kaiserslautern, the select school for students planning to continue with university study, reciprocated by sending a similar number of its students to Davenport for three weeks in the fall. The program was intended to be a cultural exchange, but it also provided the students opportunities to practice the languages they were studying. The club's student exchange committee, chaired by Hugo Arp and by Tom Wilson in later years, secured host families for the Kaiserslautern students in the club and from throughout the community, planned group activities and social events and sponsored trips to Chicago. An emphasis of the exchange program was for the Davenport students to stay in the homes of the Kaiserslautern students whom their families had hosted previously and vice versa. Less frequently, students

did semester-Davenport German teacher Jan Stoltenberg observed, "Students and their families stayed in contact and the exchange impacted their lives for years, though the three weeks alone were life-changing for many participants." The club's student exchanges ended after the September 11 attacks when entry visas became much more difficult to obtain. Dr. Paul Koch at St. Ambrose university, has taken the lead in revitalizing this magnificent program for the Rotary Club of Davenport.

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# ROTARY MEMORIAL COLLEGE LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Rotary Memorial College Loan and Scholarship Fund started on May 29th, 1922, in memory of the 276 men and women of Scott County who gave their lives during World War I. That original fund of \$2,500 has continued to grow so that students from the four Davenport high schools (Assumption, Central, North or West) have an opportunity to go to college. The fund today has a value of nearly \$1.2 million, has made loans to more than 400 students and has awarded scholarships totaling \$916,500. The Loan Fund was discontinued in 2000.

There were seven \$15,000 scholarships given starting in 1984 and ending in 1990. Those first seven recipients were: Jeff Farley, Suzanne Buckwalter, Elizabeth Stryjewski, Kelly Jensen, William Staib, Erin Maher, and Mark Loewenstein. How did the scholarships benefit them?

All stated that it helped them attend college and start on their professional careers. As a quick synopsis of these students:

**JEFF FARLEY** was the first recipient, and he received a degree in Economics and began working on Wall Street. He attended Northwestern University in Chicago and later Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire getting his B.A. and Master's degree. He is the owner of Axis Crane, a full service crane rental and construction company which is located in Portland, Oregon, and serves throughout the Pacific Northwest. The cranes weigh up to 500 tons

and are used to lift turbines for wind farms, among other things. Jeff continues to be on the Board and is Vice President of the Blue Grass Savings Bank, in Blue Grass, Iowa. He is married and has two sons, ages 7 and 12. He and his family live in Seattle, Washington. Jeff vividly remembers the day he walked into a building downtown to be interviewed by 7 or 8 Rotary senior members. He said that the scholarship paid his first year for tuition at Northwestern.

**SUZANNE BUCKWALTER** has been a Mathematics Instructor at Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, since 2001. She received her BA from the University of Northern Iowa and her Masters in Science from Northwestern University in Chicago. She loves teaching high school students about the beauty and utility of mathematics, from abstract proofs in geometry and linear algebra to the applications found in trigonometry and calculus.

**ELIZABETH ANN STRYJEWSKI** graduated from college and worked in the Chicago area where she currently lives with her family of five (her newest baby was born this summer). She is a busy mom but has used her knowledge to assist with several community non-profits.

**KELLY ANN JANSEN** attended Iowa State University and received her degree in Industrial Engineering. She worked with U.S. West and Qwest (currently known as CenturyLink) for ten years. She married Kevin Michael Hinnert in 1992. She and her husband have twin boys who are 8 years old,

and Kelly is very active in many community organizations in the Des Moines area.

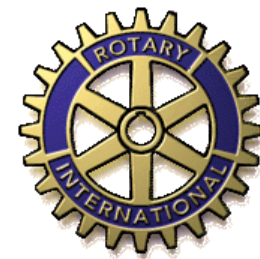
**WILLIAM (BILL) E. STAIB** used the scholarship fund to assist him in going to the college of his choice, and he ultimately earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees. He has studied in Japan, received multiple patents for artificial intelligence computing, and is an entrepreneur currently growing his mother's ecommerce business, among other ventures. He and his wife have five children and have moved back to Iowa. Bill will be speaking during the 100th Anniversary Program and has a letter that will be included in the program.

**ERIN JANE MAHER** graduated from Assumption High School in 1989 and used her scholarship to help fund her medical school. She graduated from Johns Hopkins University Medical School in 1997.

**MARK LOEWENSTEIN** graduated from Central High School and graduated from the University of Chicago. He moved this summer from California where his family and he lived for some time to southern Oregon. His wife and he have two young daughters. Mark is a "web generalist", skilled in semantic HTML/CSS, server-side programming in a variety of languages, database-driven web apps, client-side scripting, Flash programming, and interface design. Mark has his own web business. He works from his home and loves the opportunity to be with his family.

Today scholarships are awarded annually to a senior student currently enrolled in Assumption, Central, North or West High Schools plus an Overall winner. The Overall winner will receive an award equal to the cost of the current University of Iowa annual expenses for tuition, fees, room and board which this year will total \$16,515. The four other winners will receive \$10,000 awards each. There is also the Bob and Donna J. Arzberger Memorial Fund which is partnering with Rotary to provide a Technical/Vocational Scholarship.

As you can see in reviewing just seven scholarship winners, the contributions these young professionals have made to their companies, their families and their communities are very valuable. The investment of the scholarship fund has been extremely beneficial to our Davenport Rotary Club. It is indeed a notable achievement in the history of the Club.



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# ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP FUND RECIPIENT'S THANKS



## SHORT NOTE HOW THE ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITTED YOUR LIFE

Being a recipient of a Davenport Rotary Scholarship made a profound impact on my life. In the days prior to the scholarship announcement, I was not sure if I could afford to attend my 'dream school'. Although the scholarship helped me pay for college, it also brought a greater benefit by encouraging me to pursue my passions while knowing I was supported by my community. In other words, receiving the Davenport Rotary Club Scholarship provided an extra nudge that said in effect, "Reach for your dreams, Bill. We're here for you."

Thanks to the support of the Davenport Rotary Club, I was able to complete two degrees at Stanford. Thereafter, I've had a varied, rewarding and unorthodox career to date, working in industries from financial services to manufacturing to retail, in capacities from inventor to chief executive to 'air conditioner repairman', at large corporations to

companies without any employees, while living on each coast and of course in Iowa. Along the way I've experienced great successes and agonizing failures and have worked with a multitude of amazing people.

My wife and I live in Iowa City and we have five wonderful children. Our oldest child, Matthew, is starting college this fall. Having met many of his friends and colleagues over the years, I am proud (and a bit relieved) that the next generation of young adults in the U.S. includes so many wonderful, talented people. However, with rising college costs and the difficult economic climate, today's high school graduates are more likely than I was to find their 'dream college' out of reach. Further, per ProjectOnStudentDebt.org, Iowa college students have the highest average debt upon graduation of any state in the U.S. For Iowa (and indeed the U.S.) to remain competitive and fulfill our shared vision of opportunity those with talent and a strong work-ethic, we must not only continue but also strengthen our support for these students to obtain an excellent education.

I congratulate the Rotary Club of Davenport for 100 years of service to the community. I am proud to have been a recipient of a Rotary Scholarship. I am even prouder of the Davenport Rotary for continuing to expand the scholarship program, challenging more students: "Reach for your dreams. We're here for you."

William E. Staib

# NINE CLUBS WERE SPONSORED BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF DAVENPORT

The Davenport Club has sponsored the creation of, or been a partner with another Rotary Club, in extending nine new clubs. In 1914, the Rotary Clubs of Rock Island and Moline, Illinois, were started with Davenport sponsorship. In 1915, the Rotary Club of Iowa City, Iowa was sponsored. In 1920 the Rotary Club of Muscatine Iowa, in 1939 the Rotary Club of Maquoketa Iowa, in 1950 the Rotary Club of Burlington Iowa, in 1957 the Rotary Club of Bettendorf Iowa, in 1973 the Rotary Club of North Scott and in 1985 the club co-sponsored the Iowa Quad Cities Club with the Bettendorf Rotary Club.

## ROTARY CLUB OF BURLINGTON, IOWA

### Mike Shinn, President

- Paint-a-Thon, for the last nine years a team of Rotarians has painted the home of a needy elderly citizen
- Joined Chad Pergracke with the Shoreline Clean-up this year having over 130 volunteers clean up 10 miles of shoreline
- Annual Chicken BBQ each September serves 2000 chicken dinners and provides great fellowship among members
- Playground equipment for two local neighborhoods purchased and built to help redeveloping areas, Saunderson Heights and Cottonwood Park
- Sponsor an Ethical Decision-Making Workshop for high school juniors
- Award \$5000 in scholarships each year
- Received the 2000-2001 Outstanding Club Award for clubs of 100 or more in District 6000

## ROTARY CLUB OF MAQUOKETA, IOWA

### Connie Tjarks, President

- Sponsors a scholarship for Maquoketa graduating seniors each year
- Has a High School Scholastic Dinner for the top 20 students and their families
- Established the WAMAC Conference Sportsmanship Award
- More years of continually hosting foreign exchange students than any other club in District 5970
- Participated in Trick or Treat for UNICEF this year with all proceeds going to Polio Plus
- Conducts a highway cleanup for the Department of Transportation for two miles of Highway 64
- Many other projects

## ROTARY CLUB OF THE IOWA QUAD CITIES

### Doug Peterson, President

- Partner in Challenger Little League
- Partner in Challenger Sled Hockey
- Sponsor of the Iowa Quad Cities Great balls of Fire Volleyball Tournament
- Host Group Study Exchange participants
- MAC Conference Sportsmanship Awards
- Raise funds at John Deere Classic
- Support Birdies for Charity, Salvation Army and many other projects

## ROTARY CLUB OF MOLINE, ILLINOIS

### Vicky Miller, President

- Early contributor to Namaqua Lodge Rock Island Girls Home
- Early contributor to Arrowhead Ranch
- During World War II started a student nurses loan fund to help with the shortage of nurses in the Quad City area.
- Contributed \$112,000 to the Polio Plus Program
- Established and continue to add funds to the Augustana Rotary Scholarship Program
- Established a Literary Connection Program in Moline
- Established a Strive Scholarship between Moline High School and Black Hawk college

## ROTARY CLUB OF ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS

### Andrew Guzzo, President

- An avid supporter of the Rotary Foundation, having contributed over \$268,370 through August, 2001, with 217 Paul Harris Fellows and 27 Benefactors to the Foundation
- Produced more District Governors than any other club in their District
- Send and host exchange students each year
- Instrumental in starting Summerfest, a downtown celebration
- Helped sponsor the Milan Illinois Rotary Club
- Many other local activities supported each year

## ROTARY CLUB OF BETTENDORF, IOWA

### Scott Naumann, President

- Title Sponsor of the Run With Carl each Labor Day
- Presentation of the Bettendorf Rotary Lobsterfest for 5 years running.
- Distributing dictionaries to all Bettendorf/Pleasant Valley fourth graders
- Building 100 latrines in a rural village in Nicaragua
- Distributing Thanksgiving baskets and Christmas gifts to needy families
- Hurricane Katrina relief
- Worldwide Polio Eradication
- Defibrillator Donations for Emergency Aid
- Iowa Flood Relief Funds
- Help with Children's Therapy Center Fundraising Events
- Help Military Families while active duty serviceperson is deployed
- Parkersburg Tornado Response
- Water purification projects
- Haiti Recovery Efforts
- Library Service Project volunteer efforts
- Faye Clow Memorial Dictionary Project for Fourth Grade Students

## ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH SCOTT, IOWA

### Becky Bray, President

- The "Fun" Club hosts an impressive six social events a year
- Education Foundation provides scholarships to students from Assumption High School, North High School, North Scott High School and Scott Community College
- MAC Sportsmanship Awards program sponsor and initiator
- Support the Make-A-Wish Foundation
- Host and participate in Youth Exchange and Group Study Exchanges
- Rotary Reads Literacy Program
- Disaster Response Team
- Argentina Exchange and Financial Assistance
- Many other projects and activities

## ROTARY CLUB OF IOWA CITY, IOWA

### Robert Hardy, President

- Started FAMSCO to ship medical, dental and other supplies to Central America. Have sent firetrucks and ambulances also. Are on their fourth container this year (8' x 40' x 8')
- Started a Rotoplast International Chapter to send medical teams to South America to perform cranio-facial surgeries
- A Centurion Club the last two years averaging in excess of \$100 per person in giving to the Rotary Foundation
- Awards Scholarships of \$9500 each year
- Will build their third Habitat for Humanity Home in the spring of 2012
- Numerous other local activities and projects supported

## ROTARY CLUB OF MUSCATINE, IOWA

### Mike Ruby, President

- Has 137 Paul Harris Sustaining Members out of 145 members in the club. Also 28 Paul Harris Fellows and three Foundation Benefactors
- First project was to put the names of deceased veterans on a war memorial at the Courthouse
- Established a tuberculosis sanitarium for Muscatine County
- Built a Rotary Lodge community building and youth summer camp
- Founded Intensive Care Unit at Muscatine General Hospital
- Hosted Group Study Exchange Teams from Norway, Australia, Nigeria, the Philippines and India.
- Contributed over \$190,000 to the Polio Plus Program
- Hosted the "Embassy Wives" from foreign missions to the US in Washington DC each summer to allow them to experience life in the Midwest
- Many other projects from free immunizations to city beautifications



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