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Newsletter for Week of July 18, 2011

WEEKLY MEETING NOTES

Jul 18, 2011

President Randy Brittain conducted the first meeting of the new Rotary year and his first meeting as club president. He opened leading the Pledge of Allegiance and The Four-Way Test. Last week's meeting was cancelled due a power outage. Thirty-four (34) of our seventy-four (74) members attended today's meeting, or 46%

Art Puotinen gave a *reflection* on the meaning of excellence taken from the book, *Humility and How I Achieved It* by C. Neal Davis, a former member our club. Davis worked in administration at Judson College before retiring.

President Randy introduced *guests* **District Governor Carlos Früm** and **Jason Nowitzki**, Past President of the Carpentersville Morning Club.

The club had a great turnout for its annual installation dinner on Wednesday, July 6 at the picturesque setting of the Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation. **President Randy** thanked **Wendy Romero** for hosting the installation at McGraw and the many members who attended.

Laurie Bitter recognized and awarded plaques to **Dr. Jerry Cain** for the coordinating and hosting the Annual Student Luncheon and **Dale Lonis** for his work supporting the club's public relations and promotion efforts. Laurie reminded Jerry and Dale that they owe a few happy dollar storage fines and can pay next week since she has waited since late June to present the awards!

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jul 18, 2011



President Randy asked that everyone consider attending the next Random Rotary event on Thursday, July 28 at 4:30 p.m. The event held at the Elgin Public House on Chicago Avenue in downtown

Elgin is a great way to network with members from other local clubs.

Speaking of Elgin Public House, the Rotary Club of Elgin - Breakfast Club has moved from the Elgin Country Club to the Elgin Public House for their weekly meetings. They also changed up their meeting practice in that once a month, they will meet in the evening.

Join the Barrington Rotary Club on Saturday, July 23 at 6:30 pm for a fun evening that includes music and a wonderful traditional Kenyan dinner, and help support the drilling of water wells in Kenya. The event, held at the Village Church of Barrington Special will feature a father and son team as guest speakers who will climb Mt. Kilimanjaro together to raise awareness for clean water in Kenya. Tickets are \$25 per person. Contact Larry Barnett at ialloc8@gmail.com for more information.

John Cooper asked members to keep **Paris Donehoo** in their thoughts and prayers. While on vacation, Paris lost his father. Members may visit the First Congregational Church Web site for more information.

HAPPY DOLLARS AND FINEMASTER

Jul 18, 2011



Dr. Jerry Cain collected happy dollars from several "happy Rotarians."

Dale Lonis is happy after returning from a great family vacation in France with his wife, Kelly, his daughter and his son-in-law; **Laurie Bitters** is really happy for her new shiny bicycle, **Dr. David Sam** is happy for finalizing labor contracts for ECC, **Craig Lamp** is happy for his daughter's role in "Annie Get Your Gun" at the Hemmens, and **Hratch Basmajian** is happy for **District Governor Carlos Früm**.

The basket was passed for July birthdays and anniversaries.

Dr. Jerry Cain quizzed the members on "Say What? Name that Phrase!" Answer choices included scriptures from King James Version of the Bible (now in its 400th year), Aesop's Fables stories and famous quotations.

There was some controversy as to whether the phrase "No one is useless in this world

those who could not carry any other burden in this place. Who in this world, who lightens the burden of another" was Mother Teresa or Charles Dickens.



NEWS FLASH

Jul 18, 2011

This Day in History

John Cooper provided *This Day in History*.

On July 18, 1940, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who first took office in 1933 as America's 32nd president, was nominated for an unprecedented third term at the Democratic Party convention in Chicago. Roosevelt would eventually be elected to a record four terms in office, the only U.S. president to serve more than two terms.

The president received some criticism for running again because there was an unwritten rule in American politics that no president should serve more than two terms. The custom dated back to when the country's first President, George Washington declined to run for a third term in office. Nevertheless, Roosevelt believed it was his duty to continue serving and lead the country through the crisis in Europe, where Hitler's Nazi Germany was on the rise.

In 1951, the 22nd Amendment to the U.S. Constitution stating that no person could be elected to office more than twice was ratified by the required number of states.

President Roosevelt had a connection to Rotary and became an honorary member of the Albany Club while serving as Governor of New York.

Noon Time News

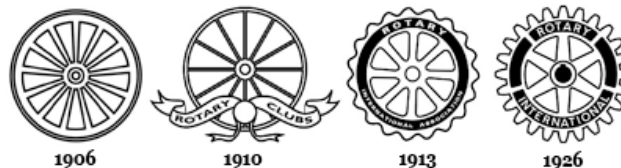
Rick Jakle provided the *Noon Time News*.

The Rotary wheel has a story. The Rotary emblem, unchanged since 1924, was redesigned many times in the early years of the organization. It started out as a wagon wheel with 13 spokes designed by a member of the Chicago Club. In 1911, action was taken by the National Association to establish the wheel as the basic part of the emblem of every Rotary club. Clubs were invited to submit designs to an emblem committee. The design chosen consisted of a wheel with gears cut on the outer edge—the spokes indicated strength and the gears symbolized power.

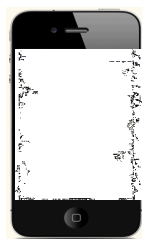
Clubs were encouraged to use the design but were given the latitude to make changes as long as their design included the wheel. Within a few short years, there were several versions of the emblem in use around the world so discussions began on how to standardize the Rotary Emblem. The new version consisted of 6 spokes and 24 cogs.

At the 1921 convention, Rotary formally approved the new design and declared that all Rotary clubs adopt a single design as the exclusive emblem of Rotarians. The design was modified for the last time in 1924 to include a keyway, which signified Rotary as a "living force" and "real worker." However, it was not until the 1929 convention that a standard description of the existing design, with a keyway, was approved.

Also around this time, in 1913, the association voted to change the fiscal year of all clubs to begin on July 1. A few years later, delegates approved a resolution to hold the international convention in June of each year.



News a bit more recent, Rotary has gone mobile and members can now find a club meeting wherever they are with the Rotary Club Locator app. The new free app, called the Rotary Club Locator, helps find out-of-town meeting places, times and directions. The app is compatible with the iPhone but will be offered soon for Android and Blackberry phones.





Jul 18, 2011

Visit from **District Governor Carlos Früm**.

District Governor Carlos Früm spoke on the future direction of Rotary International and its local clubs. Carlos reminded members that Rotary International is changing the way it does business. From 2003 - 2010, Rotary did a fantastic job recruiting 1.1 million new members worldwide, nearly doubling its membership. The downside is that Rotary lost nearly the same number of members during the same period.

In the future, local clubs will need to know what keeps their members interested. Carlos noted that service opportunities are important to members, especially to younger members. When recruiting and orienting new members, clubs must consider the individual needs of each new member and find out how they personally want to serve. Clubs must offer options as everyone will not want to serve in the same way. Carlos stated that statistics show that Rotary has no problem recruiting and bringing in new members, the difficulty is keeping the new member and giving the new member "value" for their time.

Understandably, there will be risks taken as we look at things differently, and with risks, there will be failures. However, the new district slogan, "Don't be afraid to fail, be afraid not to win" says it all. The slogan is now available in badge form with the added message "We've always done it that way" centered in the middle of the badge and crossed out in red.

Mark your calendars:

District 6440 hosts the Rotary International Zone Institute this year on September 9 -11 at the Westin Hotel in Lombard, Illinois. The Zone Institute promises to be an enriching, rewarding and informative opportunity to learn what's new in Rotary. The Rotary International Convention is scheduled for May 6-9, 2012 in Bangkok, Thailand.

A little closer to home, the District 6440 conference takes place April 20 -22, 2012 at the Pfister Hotel in Lincolnshire, Illinois.



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Jun 27, 2011

Our club has sponsored many Mobile Food Pantry through Feeding Greater Elgin. June 27, we had 10 club members and several Interact Club members helping out. We also presented a check to sponsor a future food pantry to Sue Ericson of Feed Greater Elgin.

DID YOU KNOW?

Jul 01, 2011

Did you know you can access the District's Web site at www.rotary6440.org?

Did you know our club's Facebook has 73 members? Let's go for 100 members by the end of summer! Visit us at <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/groups/104813166257>

Did you know Rotary is on Linked-In—and that there are two Rotary groups you may want to join? District 6440 has a group as well as Rotary International. Join at <http://www.linkedin.com/>

Linked in.



JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Jul 01, 2011



BIRTHDAYS

July 7

Wendy Romero and Bob Turner

Jul 14

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Larry Zisman

July 10
Jerry Hoover

July 14
Fatima Moore (Tim)

July 29
Terry Basmadjian (Hratch)

July 30
Jim Bitter (Laurie)

July 31
Ted Schnell

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

July 7
Tony Sanders and Martin Schell celebrate 21 years

July 8
Terry and Hratch Basmadjian celebrate 27 years

July 9
Maureen and Rick Floyd celebrate 23 years

July 10
Sue and Bill Moylan celebrate 46 years

July 12
Kirsten and David Considine celebrate 12 years

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

July 7
Fred Ledebuhr serving 31 years

July 8
Art Puotinen serving 6 years

July 13
Dale Lonis serving 2 years

July 18
Craig Lamp serving 18 years

July 26
Jeff Swoboda serving 1 year

July 28
Jay Curtis serving 15 years

Club Links

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- » [Interact Club - South Elgin High School](#)
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