

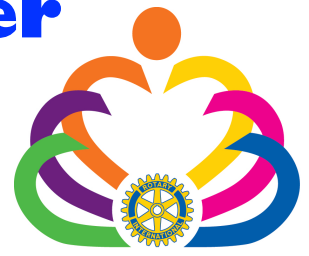
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White Stuff
Edition



The Rotary Banner

East Alton Rotary Club
Chartered Oct. 28, 1971 District 6460

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PROGRAM

TODAY

Cory Gallivan

Denise Schoppet

Developmental Disabilities

NEXT WEEK

Allen Hale

Cathy Littleton-Wahl

BIRTHDAYS

1-16 Rick Hooks

Charlie Kunz

A Healthy County is a Happy County

Amy Yeager is the Educational Coordinator for the Madison County Health Department located in the old Wood River Hospital building. She came as a guest of Ron E.

Amy said that the health department was established in 1996 to coordinate public health initiatives for the county. They offer ten essential services that are outlined on their website: <http://www.madisoncountyhealthdepartment.org/>.

Amy would like everyone to follow the health department on Twitter and to like them on facebook for the most up to date health alerts and information. They also have a YouTube channel with helpful information.

The five priorities of the health department are, teen pregnancy, obesity, substance use/abuse, air quality, and mental health. There are 38 employees of the health department servicing the 280K residents of the county in areas from vaccination, to emergency response, to environmental health.

The county board serves as the health department board and there is an advisory council that oversees operations including a physician, a nurse, and a dentist.

News, Notes, and Nonsense

Twenty-nine Rotarians and guests dined together on Julia's pulled-pork when last we gathered. Guests included Cody Davis (Mark A.'s replacement at Conoco), Dick Bell, and Deborah Hayes (potential new member).

Rhonda arrived early. Must be campaigning. Brad L. was MIA. Campaigning in New Hampshire? Through some parliamentary wrangling by our prez. Rhonda was designated president-elect and Brad was designated president-elect-elect.

Jenny pledged, Diane tested (good thing she had her Banner), and Dick prayed (but not Paul). Ron tied one one (must be the program host). Kevin was back refreshed from two weeks of vaca.

Diane received a rousing BD song after clarification of the \$5.00 treatment was offered

50/50 is over \$100, but still not worth winning according to Diane and Mark A.

MAKE UP SITES

MONDAY

NOON

•Wood River—St. John UCC, WR

•Jerseyville—Peace United Church

6 PM

•Alton—Godfrey—Alton Sports Tap

TUESDAY

NOON

•Collinsville—Holiday Inn

•Granite City—Niedringhaus Methodist

•Highland—Michael's Restaurant

WEDNESDAY

7 AM

•Bethalto—Red Apple

NOON

•Goshen—LCCC Center, Edwardsville

THURSDAY

NOON

•Riverbend—Mac's Time Out Lounge, 315 Belle St.

•Edwardsville—First Christian

FRIDAY

NOON

•Troy, Silver Creek—Pizza Man

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Upcoming Events

2-18: Basketball Tournament

4-7: Lawn and Garden Show

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Service Above Self

The Four Way Test

- *Is it the Truth?
- *Is it Fair to all concerned?
- *Will it Build Goodwill and better Friendships?
- *Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

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From the Archives

Jan. 16, 2002

-Our Prez was Joe, Lori our Secretary and Paul our Treasurer.

-Our speaker last week was former Wood River City Manager and amateur historian Carlton Laird.

-We raised \$32,805.27 toward our \$35,000 scholarship match goal. Our hard work paid off. This included the \$634 raised by selling Krispy Kreme's.

-Joe, Mark S. and Rose will serve as co-chairs of the basketball tournament.

-Last week we recognized a student from the East Alton Middle School as our Service Above Self award winner.

-Joe was still accepting nominations for President-Elect and Secretary.

-The board recently decided that any checking account funds in excess of \$400 will migrate to the Foundation account.

-Charlie and Rick celebrated their birthday's with the "usual" treatment from maestro Allen.

Rotarians Serve Children in Indonesia

A Rotary Foundation Matching Grant project that grew out of a Group Study Exchange (GSE) has provided basic mobile medical and dental care to thousands of children who lost their families in the 2006 eruption of Mount Merapi in Indonesia.

During a District 1200 (England) GSE visit to District 3400 (Indonesia) in 2008, team leader Hugo Pike discovered that many homeless children living in Yogyakarta, Java, needed medical care. His district developed a plan to outfit a vehicle as a mobile clinic that would be staffed by medical teams from a major hospital in Yogyakarta.

"The plan was to have a mobile clinic to make regular visits to parts of the city where a significant number of homeless children were living," says Pike, a member of the Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge, Avon. "The children would be given a medical and dental checkup and, when needed, basic treatment.

"There has always been a great concern to develop a project helping street children," Utama says. "We were lucky to meet Hugo Pike in 2008, and this health services project wouldn't

have ever happened if he hadn't led the GSE team to visit Yogyakarta."

The US\$20,000 project got underway in September 2010, funded by clubs in both districts and a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant. A month later, the project came to a sudden halt when Mount Merapi unexpectedly erupted again, killing more than 350 people and forcing the evacuation of nearly 350,000 residents. The medical teams assigned to the mobile health clinic were redirected to assist the hard-hit hospitals.

Last February, the medical teams were reassigned to the mobile clinic. With the relaunch of the project came an expansion; by partnering with various hospitals, the clinic was able to reach children at 22 locations.

By the time the project ended in June, it had provided health care to 3,636 children -- more than three times the number originally envisioned.

"It was a great honor for Nur Hidayat Hospital to join with Rotary and to work together for humanity," says Dr. Arus Ferry, director of the hospital. Receiving free health services should be a "fundamental right" for the poor children in these neighborhoods, Ferry says.

Just For Fun

The National Game warden put out a warning to all hikers in his area. Warning that they should wear small bells on their boots so not to startle the bears. To distinguish the grizzly bear the notice read-- small bears droppings are small with nut and berries in it. Grizzly bear droppings are much larger with nuts and berries and little tiny bells in it.