

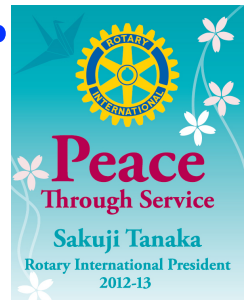
January 31, 2013
Back to the Ice
Edition



The Rotary Banner

East Alton Rotary Club
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PROGRAM

TODAY

Rhonda Pluester

Monica Bristow

RBGA

NEXT WEEK

Brad Pulaski

Andy Yakstis

BIRTHDAYS

2/4 Mark Speciale

Ready for Anything

We had the opportunity to meet Erin's fiance', Mike Crews, last week who is the Fire Chief in Taylorville and a member of the Emergency Management Assistance Team. The EMAT is a twelve-member team that is ready to respond to any emergency in the US with an eight-hour warning. Their deployment is for sixteen days. The Illinois team was called out to assist in New York and New Jersey in the aftermath of super-storm Sandy.

Mike's assignment was management of disaster shelters in the New York City and New Jersey areas. He showed us a number of pictures showing the devastation and talked about challenges meeting basic necessities including food, water, and fuel. Whole neighborhoods burned with no water to put them out. Sand that washed inland had to be gathered, sifted and returned to the shoreline. Over 40,000 vehicles were destroyed, and fuel lines were miles long. Several shelters had to be consolidated and supplies had to be sorted that arrived from all over the country. The pictures showed unimaginable loss.

NEWS, NOTES, AND NONSENSE

Twenty-six Rotarians dined on pork two ways last week, BBQed and stuffed. Among them were Erin and Virgil in the same meeting; almost unheard of.

Joe says the Basketball Tournament is ready to roll. We could use one more fifth-grade girl's team.

We have purchased a table for the RBFM Trivia night on Feb. 22. Lori is looking for club members and spouses to fill it up. She also said that we will be sponsoring two RHS student to RYLA this year. She reports that \$301.44 was collected by the bell ringers this year.

Rick made sure that Roger was kept busy as lugmeister. The club was wrong about the 2012 weather and those who missed last week or were not signed up for the BB Tournament got the privilege of contributing to the lug.

Brad P. had two shots at the \$156 in the 50/50 pot. The results were predictable and the pot rolled over to this week.

MAKE UP SITES

MONDAY

NOON

•Wood River—St. John UCC, WR

•Jerseyville—Peace United Church

6 PM

•Alton—Godfrey—Alton Sports Tap

•Bethalto—Strykers

TUESDAY

NOON

•Collinsville—Holiday Inn

•Granite City—Niedringhaus Methodist

•Highland—Michael's Restaurant

WEDNESDAY

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

2-16: Basketball Tournament

2-28: Board Meeting

4-20: District Conference

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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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Club Archives

January 29, 1998

-Larry was our VP and Allen our Treasurer. Larry covered for MIA President Matt Maberry.

-We welcomed our newest member Mark V., who was sponsored by the "original" Mark.

-Historian Mike Peterson was looking for missing issues of the Banner.

-The 10th annual basketball tournament would be held on January 31st.

-Paul blamed his son for his tardiness.

-Charlie managed to keep his (Olin) powder dry.

-Dick was bragging about his diet. His program on February 26th would feature a presentation from Senator Roth and his IRA.

-The district would welcome a GSE team from Italy this spring.

Board Notes Jan. 24, 2013

-Our cash balance at the end of December was \$465.

-Brad L. reported that he was involved with a new LCCC program that would send "care packages" to troops stationed abroad. He would like to involve the scholarship students with the program.

-Allen plans to meet with his fundraising "kitchen cabinet", Mark S. and Mark A., to talk about potential fund raising ideas. A 50-50 will be offered at the basketball tournament.

-We will sponsor two Roxana HS students to attend the RYLA conference. Cost is \$195 per.

-Rhonda suggested we get involved (sweat equity/\$\$) with a baseball field rehab project at the Hartford park. She will provide details as they become available.

-A donation of \$75 was authorized to purchase a ticket to send a vet to the Veterans treatment Court dinner.

-We will make a \$100 donation to the Riverbend Family Ministries (the amount may be \$160 if we can come up with 8 participants for their trivia night.)

leader of Myanmar's democracy movement and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, delivered the keynote address at the Rotary Global Peace Forum held in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, 25-27 January.

She was honored with the Hawaii Peace Award for her longstanding pursuit of democracy through peaceful, nonviolent means. After 20 years of house arrest, Suu Kyi was released in November 2010, and last year was elected to Myanmar's parliament as a member of the pro-democracy opposition party.

Suu Kyi told the attendees that absolute peace is an unattainable goal, but one that we must nevertheless continue to endeavor toward. She said that democratic institutions are necessary to guarantee human rights.

"The kind of peace we want is very simple. We want permanent peace," said Suu Kyi.

She also noted that young people have an important role to play. The Honolulu forum emphasized the importance of getting youth involved in the peace process.

"We must help our young people so that they may be able to take over our task of nation building," Suu Kyi said. "We depend on our young people to take us forward."

Suu Kyi Addresses Peace Forum

Aung San Suu Kyi,

Just For Fun

A man takes his place in the theater, but his seat is too far from the stage.

He whispers to the usher, "This is a mystery, and I have to watch a mystery close up. Get me a better seat, and I'll give you a handsome tip."

The usher moves him into the second row, and the man hands the usher a quarter.

The usher looks at the quarter, leans over and whispers, "The wife did it."