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PROGRAM TODAY

Jeny Lewis
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Human Trafficking
NEXT WEEK
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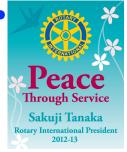
BIRTHDAYS

12-10: Chris H.

The Rotary Banner

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Olin Corp. and East Alton: A Long Partnership

Charlie's guest last week was Olin Corp's. CEO, Joe Rupp.

Joe outlined a brief history of Olin Industries, which began in East Alton in 1892. In 1898 they added Western Cartaige compay and purchased Winchester in 1931. Matheson Chemical Corporation, which also began in 1892, merged with Olin in 1954. Olin Corp. became extremely diversified until the 1970's when they began to focus on their primary markets through consolidation. The last major portion of that consolidation was the selling off of the metals component in 2007. Today Olin Corp. includes Winchester, based in East Alton and the Chemical company located in Mississippi.

Winchester employs 1500 people and focuses on shot shells and some ammunition. Their market is 30% law enforcement and military, and 70% recreational. When all of the movement is finalized, there will remain 750-1000 jobs in East Alton. New products are constantly being developed including lead-free bullets, cube-shaped shot (for tighter packing and larger kill zone), and a copper/steel bullet for the military.

Olin is also the largest producer of bleach in the US and has recently added a chemical distribution company-- KA Steel.

NEWS, NOTES, AND NONSENSE

We had a full house of 33 gathered for Julia's fried chicken and ham last week. Seems that Jeny brough her entire staff including Dan Reedy, Lindell Helmkamp, Allan Meyer, Brenda Jackson, Ted Klazner, and Greg Worden. Jeff "I have no clue" Dyer also was visiting from Bethalto.

Jeff noted that Bethalto Rotary is in vagabond mode, using temporary meeting places until a permanent home can be found, perhaps the Bethalto Water Building.

Chris said that we are collecting toys for students at Lincoln Elementary.

Mark announced that they were still conducting interviews at RHS

Good news included Mark and Nancy's 40th wedding anniversary and Brad L.'s nomination as Illinois veteran of the month for December.

50/50 tickets were drawn for Joe and our speaker, Joe. \$99. rolls 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—Airport
 Restaurant

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

To locate a club where you are visiting check: http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/rid

Upcoming Events

12-13: Board Meeting

12-14: Poinettia Delivery

12-15: Bell Ringing

12-20: Christmas Party.

12-27: No Meeting

East Alton Rotary Club

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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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Club Archives December 3, 1992

- -We were meeting at DiRomero's Restaurant. Rod was our Treasurer and Joe the SAA.
- -Today's program was provided by Alton Physical Therapy. Last week's program was on flame control (add your punch line here.)
- -Next week we would gather at Norm and Carole Taylor's for the Christmas Party.
- -Christmas light hanging would take place on Saturday.
- -Salvation Army bell ringing happens on the 12th.
- -A Christmas choral event is scheduled for the 17th.
- -Don't forget that to bring your "A" game any Sunday for a basketball scrum at the E A Middle School gym.

Rotoract Helps Children in Ukraine

In Ukraine, close to 100.000 children live in orphanages, which provide education and basic care but few opportunities to develop creativity. Members of the Rotaract Club of **Kviv Multinational** worked with children at an orphanage in Zgurivka, a village outside the capital, to make Ukrainian folk art. Together with the Rotaract clubs of Moscow-East. Russia: Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan; Baku, Azerbaijan; and El Tahrir, Egypt, the Kyiv Multinational club formed Creativity Without Borders, a

project in which each club organized a hands-on creative project at an orphanage in its country. In Zgurivka, local craftspeople taught the children to make traditional motanka dolls – colorful cloth figures that are seen as talismans and protectors of families. The five Rotaract clubs exchanged the handicrafts (which also included candles, papyrus products, and embroidery) and auctioned them; the **Kyiv Multinational** Rotaractors used the funds they raised to buy woodworking

and embroidery kits

for the orphanage in

Zgurivka.

Just For Fun

A little boy returned from the grocery store with his mom. While his mom put away the groceries, the little boy opened his box of animal crackers and spread them all over the kitchen table.

"What are you doing?" asked his mom.

"The box says you shouldn't eat them if the seal is broken," said the little boy. "I'm looking for the seal."