

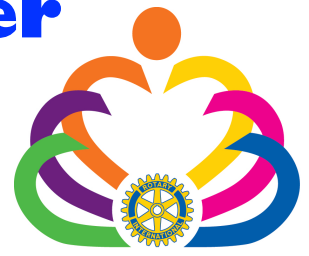
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World Water Day
Edition



The Rotary Banner

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PROGRAM

TODAY

David Miller

Mayor Tom Thompson

Asian Carp

NEXT WEEK

Rick Hooks

Tad Armstrong

The First Amendment

BIRTHDAYS

3-2: Dwyann Isringhausen

3-4 Dick Thompson

A Well-Deserved Honor

Red introduced us to his son-in-law, Judge Patrick Murphy who has served as a federal judge in the central district court in East Saint Louis for 14 years. Prior to that he served as an attorney in Southern Illinois. Judge Murphy is also a Viet Nam veteran who served in the Marine Corp. He shared an experience visiting wounded veterans of Afghanistan and Iraq which he had written under the title, "Skin in the Game."



There is no way to do justice to this moving reading in this short article. The reader is encouraged to listen to the entire presentation at: <http://eastaltonrotary.blogspot.com/search?updated-max=2012-03-17T03:00:00-05:00&max-results=15&start=45&by-date=false>

News, Notes, and Nonsense

We had a big crowd last week with 31 Rotarians and guests. Guests included Helen Littleton and Patricia Murphy (Red and Helen's daughter and our speaker's wife.) Salisbury steak and Chicken and Rice were on the menu.

Erin was back after back surgery. She said that she was happy to have her pants on. She and Brad were standing buddies. She was today's recipient of the birthday song.

Apparently, Rose ran out of winnings and was back for more.

We were encouraged to attend district conference in Springfield on April 14. Online sign-up is now available.

The Roxana HS Rotoract /club has invited us to help with concessions for a May 12 baseball game at Roxana HS. Proceeds will go toward their international project. The interact students will be our guests for our meeting on April 12. We will also meet a RYLA student at that time.

Just call Rod, "scooter."

'Rose did get her shot at the 50/50, along with Allen H. Alas, Rose will have to try again this week. Allen should just quit trying!

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

4-14: District Conference

4-26: Board Meeting

4-26: Combined Meeting.

6:00 p.m. at Julia's

NO NOON 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

March 28, 2002

-Rose was our Prez, Joe our Prez-elect and Treasurer and Lori our Secretary.

-As part of our \$35,000 matching fund drive we were selling Krispy Kreme donuts, \$5 a doz. Among the other fund raisers planned: a golf tournament, Cardinal concessions, a trivia event, roadblocks, Entertainment books, a luncheon and a chili supper.

-Our program was presented by Mark V. He spoke about potential problems with tax returns. (Nothing was mentioned about electronic filing. How quaint.)

-Charlie reported that one of our scholarship students had just completed a phlebotomy program.

-Ken Harmon made a presentation recognizing us for our assistance with the construction of the first Habitat for Humanity house by the Wood River Chapter. he also noted that the three Madison County chapters were looking to merge operations.

-RI recently announced the winner of the Centennial logo design contest.

Water World

Villages in four regions of Ghana are being equipped with ventilated pit latrines, showers, and boreholes featuring hand pumps and mechanized pipes through the efforts of dozens of Rotary clubs in Latin America, North America, and Ghana.

The effort is part of the The International H2O Collaboration, an alliance between Rotary International and USAID, a centerpiece of Rotary's emphasis on water and sanitation issues.

Launched in 2009, the alliance works to implement long-term, sustainable water, sanitation, and hygiene projects in the developing world. The first phase of the partnership has focused on three countries: Ghana, the Philippines, and the Dominican Republic.

In 2011, The Rotary Foundation also established a strategic partnership with UNESCO-IHE, a United Nations institute in The Netherlands that is the world's largest postgraduate water education facility. The

Rotary Foundation will provide grants to Rotary clubs and districts to select and sponsor eight students each year for scholarships leading to master's degrees in specified program areas.

Collaboration is key if Rotary is to help the world achieve the water and sanitation improvements called for in the United Nations Millennium Development Goals, said Ron Denham, chair of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group and a member of the Rotary-USAID Steering Committee.

"We realize that the challenge of meeting the development goals is something that no organization can achieve on its own," Denham said. "Not even Rotary, with its 34,000 clubs and over 1.2 million members. To be successful we need leverage, the leverage that comes from collaboration with others who share our goals."

To draw attention to the need for action, the United Nations has designated 22 March as World Water Day.

Just For Fun

While taking a routine vandalism report at an elementary school, the policeman was interrupted by a 6 year-old looking up and down his uniform, she asked, "Are you a policeman?" "Yes," he answered and continued writing the report. "My mother said if I ever needed help I should ask the police. Is that right?" "Yes, that's right, the policeman told her." "Well, then," the little girl said as she extended her foot toward him, "would you please tie my shoe?"

