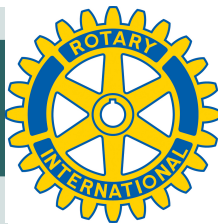


April 21, 2011  
Holy Week Edition



# The Rotary Banner

## **CLUB OFFICERS**

### **PRESIDENT**

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## Wuzzup, East Alton?

Ron E. introduced "he who needs no introduction," our own, Joe Silkwood, for his semi-regular update on the village of East Alton. Highlights included,

- A \$100K grant that was received from Illinois which was used for infrastructure project.
- Road projects including,
  - Broadway in East Alton
  - Finishing Main Street from Shamrock to the Viaduct to accommodate heavy trucks.
- Neighborhood revitalization projects are ongoing with the use Community Development dollars.
  - A new 3 bedroom/2 bathroom home is available for purchase for \$89,900 through this program.
- The park expansion behind the Keesler building continues with the destruction of some of the old defense project housing.
- The village has begun doing their own garbage pick-up service.
- Walgreens had broken ground at East Alton Plaza, spurring interest from other companies as well (can CVS be far behind?)

## **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

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

## **COMING EVENTS**

**4-27:** Combined meeting, hosted by the Bethalto Rotary Club. The meeting will be held at the Bethalto Senior Center with Mother's Catering. 5:30, dinner at 6:00  
**4-28:** No noon meeting.  
**5-19:** Board Meeting  
**6-30:** Installation Dinner

## **PROGRAM**

### **TODAY**

Cory Gallivan

### **NEXT WEEK**

Combined Meeting  
on Wednesday in  
Bethalto

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**None this Week**

## **News, Notes, Nonsense, and Nothings**

Last week we had 32 members and guests dining on soft tacos. Six were from RHS as we welcomed our scholarship students Aaron Saul, Danielle Carol, Allie Scott, Jared O' Dell, and their principal, Corey Wallis and counselor, Marcia Hoagland. Our other guest was Larry Allen.

Rhonda was early—for board meeting, that is. Apparently, waiting around for the meeting to start caused her blood sugar to crash because she was having a bad case of cake-envy.

Lori announced that the first Interact meeting at RHS was held on 4/14 with eight students. They are already off the blocks and looking for a meaningful service project.

There was nearly a crisis when those who came late (and there were several) discovered that the late table was already occupied. It took some squeezing, but everyone found a place at a table with friends.

Lori celebrated her birthday with a "no song" check and a rousing "happy birthday from the club."

50/50 tickets were drawn for Lori and Cory. who left the \$56 pot behind for this week.

## East Alton Rotary Club

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### *Service Above Self.*

#### FOUR WAY TEST

- Is it the Truth?
- Is it Fair to all concerned?
- Will it Build goodwill and better friendships?
- Is it Beneficial to all concerned?

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#### From the Archives

April 28, 1994

-Today we were going to tour the Shell History Museum. Our host was Margaret Middlecoff.  
-Next week we head to the Westerner Club for our Steak Fry.  
-Last week we heard from Jim Bowman, Growth Association Economic Development Director.  
-Our next board of directors meeting in on May 3rd at Jack's  
-The Installation Dinner will be held on June 23rd at Sunset Hill Country Club.  
-East Alton-Wood River night at Busch Stadium will be on July 1st.  
-Gary sez to turn in your McDonald's money ASAP.

#### Just for Fun

The man charged into the jewelry shop, slammed his fists angrily on the showcase, removed a wristwatch from his pocket and shook it under the nose of the owner. "You said this watch would last me a lifetime," he yelled. "Yeah," admitted the owner. "But you looked pretty sick the day you bought it."

#### Micro-Credit Partnership

The Rotary Foundation Trustees have reached an agreement with [Oikocredit International](#), a Netherlands-based cooperative financial institution that promotes socially responsible investing.

Through the partnership, the Foundation will offer packaged grants for Rotary clubs and districts to work with microfinance institutions within the Oikocredit network. Together, these institutions and Rotarians will identify local needs, develop effective approaches, and structure training programs to improve entrepreneurs' business skills.

"This strategic partnership with Oikocredit enables Rotary to work with a globally

recognized leader in the field of microfinance in order to make a meaningful contribution to poverty reduction," said Foundation Trustee Chair Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar. "It allows Rotary club members to directly contribute their valuable expertise and skills without administering the loans directly."

Individual Rotary clubs have worked successfully with Oikocredit partners in the past. In 2009, clubs in Kenya and the Netherlands received Foundation funding to upgrade dairy farms and establish training farms belonging to an Oikocredit-supported milk cooperative near Nairobi. The result was an increase in the quality and quantity of milk

#### Mensa Moment

There is at least one nine-letter word that contains only one vowel. Do you know what it is?

