

# THE ROTARY BANNER

NEXT BANNER-MAY 7

EARTHY EDITION

EAST ALTON ROTARY CLUB [WWW.EASTALTONROTARY.ORG](http://WWW.EASTALTONROTARY.ORG) CHARTERED OCT. 28, 1971 DISTRICT 6460

## FOSTERING FAMILY VALUES

LAST WEEK WE HAD THE PLEASURE OF HEARING FROM



HOLLY KIEU, FOSTER CARE LICENSING SPECIALIST WITH THE ALTON OFFICE OF CHILDREN'S HOME + AID. HER AGENCY IS A LEADING CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY IN ILLINOIS. THE AGENCY WAS FOUNDED NEAR VANDALIA IN 1883 AND NOW IT PROTECTS, EDUCATES AND COUNSELS MORE THAN 40,000 CHILDREN EACH YEAR. HOLLY'S FOCUS IS ON THE FOSTER CARE DIVISION OF CHILDREN'S

HOME + AID. FOSTER CARE PROVIDE SAFE, SECURE AND NURTURING HOMES FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN SEPARATED FROM THE CARE OF THEIR BIOLOGICAL FAMILIES. HOLLY WORKS TO FIND SUITABLE HOMES FOR THESE CHILDREN WITH FOSTER PARENTS WHO CAN PROVIDE THE APPROPRIATE CARE BASED ON THE CHILDREN'S INDIVIDUAL NEEDS. CHILDREN'S HOME WORKS TO RECRUIT AND QUALIFY THE BEST POSSIBLE FOSTER HOMES AND GUIDE FAMILIES THROUGH THE LICENSING PROCESS. FOSTER PARENTS MUST BE ABLE TO PROVIDE A SAFE HOME SPACE FOR THE CHILD. THERE IS AN APPLICATION PROCESS AND A BACKGROUND CHECK FOR EACH PERSON IN THE HOUSE OVER AGE 18. THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (DCFS) PROVIDES A MANDATORY 27 HOUR TRAINING COURSE FOR EACH FOSTER PARENT. THE LICENSING IS GOOD FOR A 4 YEAR PERIOD. THE DETERMINATION AS TO WHO NEEDS FOSTER CARE PLACEMENT IS MADE BY DCFS. HOLLY'S AGENCY PROVIDES DIFFERENT LEVELS OF FOSTER CARE. SHE FIRST TRIES TO IDENTIFY A BLOOD RELATIVE TO ASSUME FOSTER RESPONSIBILITIES. HER GOAL IS TO FIND CARE THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF EACH CHILD. THE AGENCY ALSO PROVIDES A HOST OF SUPPORT SERVICES TO FOSTER PARENTS. AMONG THESE ARE; FREQUENT MEETINGS WITH CASE WORKERS, INDIVIDUALIZED PLANS FOR EACH CHILD, RESPITE CARE TO GIVE FOSTER PARENTS TIME OFF, MONTHLY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO COVER THE COSTS OF FOOD AND CLOTHING. IF YOU WOULD LIKE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION GIVE HOLLY A CALL -462.2714x3008 OR VISIT THEIR WEB SITE [WWW.CHILDRENSHOMEANDAID.ORG](http://WWW.CHILDRENSHOMEANDAID.ORG). WE THANK HOLLY FOR TAKING THE TIME TO SHARE HER KNOWLEDGE WITH US ABOUT THIS IMPORTANT COMMUNITY SERVICE.

## OUR HISTORY IS OUR LEGACY

MAY 7TH MARKS THE FIRST DATE IN OUR HISTORY PROJECT. THE BOARD HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT TO START TO CAPTURE OUR HISTORY VIA A DIGITAL RECORDER. THE FORMAT IS A WORK IN PROGRESS. AFTER OUR MEETING ON THE 7TH, ANY MEMBER IS WELCOME TO STAY BEHIND FOR A FEW MINUTES AND TALK ABOUT OUR HISTORY. INITIALLY, WE WILL BE MEETING AFTER A MEETING EVERY OTHER MONTH. KEEP IN MIND THAT THIS IS VERY MUCH A WORK IN PROGRESS AND WILL EVOLVE AS TIME PASSES. WHAT WE DO KNOW IS THAT DON IS OUR ONLY CHARTER MEMBER AND THAT THE REST OF US ARE NOT GETTING ANY YOUNGER. SO, NOW IS THE TIME TO GET OUR MEMORIES AND OBSERVATIONS DIGITIZED. THIS INFORMATION WILL BE ARCHIVED AND AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTION LET RICK KNOW.

APRIL 23, 2009

OFFICERS  
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BIRTHDAYS  
PAUL HOOVER  
APRIL 28TH

## THE SKINNY

--GOOD FRIEND PAT WAS VISITING FROM THE WOOD RIVER CLUB. AFTER ASSESSING \$5 FINES, SHE ANNOUNCE THAT SHE WILL BE THE CLUB VP NEXT YEAR.THERE WERE NO MAKE-UPS.  
--ROGER CAN'T FOOL US WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
--WE HOPE THAT BRAD CAN GET THE PIX THAT ARE STUCK IN ASSISTANT GOVERNOR GENE LEE'S CAMERA. CHECK OUT WENDELLS' VIDEO FROM THE COMBO MEETING ON OUR BLOG.  
--THANKS TO LORI, OUR DISTRICT IS NOW ON FACEBOOK PRESENCE. YOU NEED TO SIGN-UP AND GET NETWORKING.  
--THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE IS ON MAY 29/30. ROGER HAS THE INFO.

--OUR INSTALLATION DINNER WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 25TH @ MOONLIGHT. THE COST WILL BE ABOUT \$20. MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW.

--IS THERE SOME KIND OF CONSPIRACY WITH THE 50-50.

--WHEN A PAYDAY LOAN PLACE CLOSES, WHAT DOES THAT TELL US ABOUT THE ECONOMY?

--PAUL WAS STOPPED IN HIS TRACKS BY LARRY'S GRACE. AMEN!

--ROGER COVERED THE AGENDA IN ORDER. WHO KNEW?

--DEBBIE SENT US A THANK YOU NOTE. HER DAUGHTER IS DOING WELL.

--DURING THE PAST WEEK,DOGS, MARK S.,SLANG, DRYWALL, SPACE AND FACEBOOK HAVE BEEN FEATURED ON OUR BLOG. GO TO-[HTTP://EASTALTONROTARY.BLOGSPOT.COM/](http://EASTALTONROTARY.BLOGSPOT.COM/) TO GET THE DETAILS.

--MARK S. AND RICK TOOK THEIR TURNS ON THE \$23 50-50. END OF STORY.

## FRIEND OF ROTARY

ONE OF THE MANY NICE THINGS ABOUT OUR WEB SITE IS THE ABILITY TO ADD "FRIENDS" TO OUR EMAIL LIST. IF YOU HAVE THE EMAIL ADDRESS OF ANY POTENTIAL MEMBER OR OTHER "FRIEND" WHO YOU THINK MIGHT LIKE TO RECEIVE THE ELECTRONIC VERSION OF THE BANNER, GIVE RICK OR LORI THEIR EMAIL ADDRESS. WE WILL ADD THEM TO THE LIST SO THAT THEY RECEIVE THE SAME BANNER NOTIFICATION THAT YOU RECEIVE WHEN YOU MISS A MEETING. PRETTY NEAT. THIS IS A GREAT TOOL TO HELP BUILD MEMBERSHIP AND CREATE GOODWILL FOR OUR CLUB AND COSTS US NADA.

## CLUB BLOG

RICK HAS RECENTLY ESTABLISHED A CLUB SPONSORED BLOG. A BLOG IS A WEB LOG THAT ALLOWS FOR QUICK AND TIMELY UPDATES. THE VISION FOR OUR BLOG IS TO SERVE AS A LESS FORMAL MEANS THAN OUR WEB SITE TO SHARE INFO AND HAVE A GOOD TIME. PHOTOS WILL PLAY A PROMINENT PART. THE BLOG WILL ALSO SERVE AS THE PLATFORM FOR THE PODCAST OF OUR WEEKLY SPEAKERS. RICK WILL BE RECORDING OUR SPEAKERS AND CONVERTING THE RECORDING TO A PODCAST. THERE WILL BE A LINK AT OUR BLOG SITE TO EACH PROGRAM SPEAKER. THE PODCAST WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON ITUNES IF YOU WANT TO DOWNLOAD IT FOR LATER LISTENING. JUST SEARCH FOR EAST ALTON ROTARY IN ITUNES. WE DO NEED A COUPLE OF MEMBERS WHO WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE BLOG. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, LET RICK KNOW. BOOKMARK THE BLOG AND CHECK THE BLOG FREQUENTLY. WHO KNOWS, YOU MAY BE FEATURED. GO TO [HTTP://EASTALTONROTARY.BLOGSPOT.COM/](http://EASTALTONROTARY.BLOGSPOT.COM/)



TODAY'S WORD- hillbilly-It was first used in print in an article in the New York Journal. It was spelled "Hill-Billie" and used in a story of a "free and untrampled white citizen of Alabama who lived in the hills."

#### IT HAPPENED TODAY

1616: William Shakespeare died in Stratford-on-Avon  
1963: Pete Rose of the Cincinnati Reds got his first hit in the major leagues.  
1968: The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church merged to form the United Methodist Church.  
1985: The Coca-Cola Company announced it was changing the secret flavor formula for Coke  
1985: Former Senator Sam Ervin died at age 88.  
1988: A federal ban on smoking during domestic airline flights of two hours or less went into effect.  
1993: Labor leader Cesar Chavez died in San Luis, Arizona  
1994: Mourners from around the world left memorials at the Richard Nixon Library in Yorba Linda, California, in memory of the 37th president who had died the day before at age 81.  
1995: Lawyer turned sportscaster Howard Cosell died in New York at age 77.

#### Online Club Member Directories

One of the features of using ClubRunner is the master database for member information. In other words, it is very important to maintain accurate information in the ClubRunner database. Accurate, up-to-date information about a member is then derived from this database. In addition to providing directory information, photos are useful, especially to new members, in order to identify and become familiar with other members in the Club. The following directories are available to members of the Club:

View Club Directory (all members).

View Club Photo Directory (all members).

View Printable Directory (all members).

View Mailing Labels Directory (if the member has sufficient access).

In each case log into the website <http://www.eastaltonrotary.org> All member information is secure because the information is not viewable without using a member login and password. In the box on the left hand side labeled My ClubRunner (when you are in the ADMIN screen), select View Club Directory. At the top left click on Display Regular Members. If you wish to print this list on paper, click on Printer Friendly Version. This gives you member names, their e-mail address and business and home telephone numbers in a very compact form. Alternatively, you may select View Club Photo Directory. This option gives much more information for each member. By clicking on the member name or the photo, you will view whatever the person has stored in his/her profile. You may choose to click on View Printable Directory for printout of information for all members. If a member has sufficient access then mailing labels can also be printed out. It is the responsibility of each member to protect the information of other members from being improperly used.

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#### **RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



#### **CLUB ARCHIVES**

April 23, 1998

Charlotte Wiegand told us about the new fountain in front of the East Alton municipal building

#### 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?

East Alton blog:

<http://eastaltonrotary.blogspot.com/>

online make-up:

[www.rotaryclubone.org/](http://www.rotaryclubone.org/)

"Getting caught is the  
mother of invention."-  
Robert Byrne

#### **MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES**

MON. NOON-WOOD RIVER  
ST. JOHN'S UCC  
NOON-JERSEYVILLE  
REACE UNITED CHURCH  
6PM-ALTON-GODFREY  
CASTELLI'S @ 255  
TUE. NOON-COLLINSVILLE  
HOLIDAY INN  
NOON-GRANITE CITY  
NIEDRINGHAUS  
METHODIST  
NOON-HIGHLAND  
MICHAEL'S  
RESTAURANT  
WED. 6:30AM-BETHALTO  
AIRPORT  
NOON-GOSHEN-LCCC  
CENTER-EDWARDSVILLE  
THU. NOON-EDWARDSVILLE  
FIRST CHRISTIAN