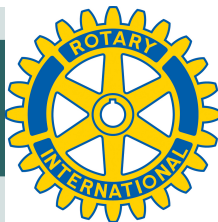


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Winners and Losers  
Edition



# The Rotary Banner

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## Extending Arms of Love

Don Brandt made a rare appearance last week in order to present his guest, Joy Martin, from Arms of Love Ministries. Arms of Love has three primary ministries, "Options Now" which is a crisis pregnancy ministry, "Man Up" which is directed toward building men of character who will be good husbands and fathers, and the "Peace Ministry" which helps to bring healing to women who have had abortions.

Joy is a counselor/facilitator with the peace ministry which is housed at River Bend Family Ministries in Wood River. The Peace Ministry gathers women in small Bible study groups to help them to work through the grief associated with abortions.

Joy reminded us that 1 out of 3 women in America have had abortions, and 1 of 5 women who attend church regularly have had abortions. Since Roe v Wade, 52 million abortions have taken place in the US making the womb the most dangerous place to live in America.

Joy shared her story of her own abortions and how she found faith and peace to help her to recover. Her story is one of great pain and greater grace. She also does speaking in churches, schools, and in youth groups. Joy or one of the others from Arms of Love would be happy to speak for your group.

## News, Notes, Nonsense, and Nothings

Last week, 23 members enjoyed a meal of chicken fettuccini and broccoli/rice casserole on their way to a carb-overload nap.

A mild case of cardinal fever had infected the club. Those uninfected paid for their lack of team spirit.

Brad and Erin made it to the meeting early (well, for them). They managed to beat out Mark V., Rhonda, and Brad L. who made it in just in time to replace scooter "Tax Man" Rod.

Joe served as the substituted SAA. Does that make him the SAB?

Allen H. was MIA (probably filling out his filing extension early).

Lori arrived with no voice and no one to text to. Fortunately, however, Rhonda had pity on her and showed up (following an "important" meeting with a "client").

Erin announced that we will be choosing our scholarship students in the Spring to provide more earnings potential.

The \$32 pot was passed over by Charlie and Dick who took home nice souvenir cards for their efforts.

## **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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## **COMING EVENTS**

4-21: Board Meeting

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.

6-30: Installation Dinner

## **PROGRAM**

### **TODAY**

Ellen Nordhauser  
*Rain Gardens and More*

### **NEXT WEEK**

Ron Eaton

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**None this week**

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#### 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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## Cleaning Streams

### From the Archives

April 12, 2001

-Marvin "don't call me Red" just returned from the Rio Grande Valley.  
-Pat had two make-ups.  
-We celebrated Lori's birthday.  
-An article ran in the April 2nd issue of the Post-Dispatch about our scholarship program. Hats off to Charlie.  
-The Operation Blessing blockade will be on the 21st.  
-Our next Cardinal concession stand event will be on the 24th.  
Our Installation Dinner will be on June 28th at the Moonlight.  
-Our "program" last week was an envelope stuffing marathon. We stuffed 700 envelopes with the flyer announcing our scholarship golf tournament. (Note: of the 16 members assisting, only 6 are current (2011) members.)

### Just for Fun

Did you ever notice?  
When you put the two words  
"The" and "IRS" together  
it spells "THEIRS"?

The banks of the Sacramento River, as it meanders through Shasta County in Northern California, USA, are a tangle of unwelcome plants.

"We used to have large trees and grass instead of this clutter of impassible non-native species," says Randall Smith, a member of the Rotary Club of Redding. "We're trying to get rid of this junk so people can enjoy the river – and so people will see what the natural environment looks like and maybe go home and fix their own backyards."

Smith has chaired the Allied Stream Team, the club's environmental committee, since 2000, leading its members as they tackle projects from supporting wildlife to removing invasive plants.

"The crying need for restoration of our natural habitat in Redding was much larger than picking up discarded coffee cups and Coke bottles," says Smith, who estimates the team's

work over the past decade to be worth \$1.4 million, based on government calculations of the value of its completed projects.

Much of the team's work involves removing non-native plants such as arundo, a tall, fast-growing grass from Asia that crowds out native species, damages the local ecosystem, and poses a fire hazard. Eradicating the plant is a tedious process, but after nine campaigns, the Stream Team is close to victory in Shasta County.

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### Mensa Moment

Marian bought four oranges and three lemons for 90 cents. The next day she bought three oranges and four lemons for 85 cents. How much did each lemon and orange cost?

Did you know that you can now download a meeting-finder app for your smart phone. Look for it at your app store.

