ROTARP HISTORY East Alton Rotary Club WWW.EASTALTONROTARY.ORG Chartered Oct. 28, 1971. District 6460

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PROGRAM HOSTS TODAY Charlie Kunz— Scholarship Program NEXT WEEK Virgil Moore

BIRTHDAYS July 16— Ed Keller

The Rotary Banner

Baseball Mania Edition

Painting with Passion

What happens when you have raw God given talent, inspirational music and some paint? Some pretty amazing things, that's what!

Andy Raines, The Passion Painter, visited East Alton Rotary Club and amazed and inspired members of the club. Painting to music from Hillsong's

Saviour King Andy painted an abstract picture of Jesus on the cross. There is something soothing about experiencing the music and watching how the painting unfolds...leaving you hungry for more.

Andy will be traveling to Orlando, FL a little later in July to rock the paint as he helps Pastor & Worship Leader Clint Brown release a new CD.

Andy & his wife Sara live in Wood River with their two daughters. Andy is Children's Pastor at Abundant Life Community Church and an instructor at Ranken Technical College. For more information on Andy, including booking and merchandise, please visit Andy's website: <u>www.ThePassionPainter.com</u>.

A very big thank you to Andy for sharing with us!

News, Notes, Nonsense and Nothings



Chris Herzog presents Mayor Bright with a check for \$1600 for the new village stop/street signs.

Our guests were past president Debbie Brazier, who received plenty of encouragement for her to return to active membership, and Bethalto Ken. Ken told us that the club is now meeting at 7AM and that they are selling chances for a Carnival cruise for 2 (\$2500 value) or \$2000 cash. The tix sell for \$20 per. Their club web site has all the details or contact a club member. There were no make-ups.

President Kevin led us in grace and asked us to pray for those members not in attendance. Amen.

It was a two napkin lunch. Chef Bob prepared his great fried chicken.

"Grim Reaper" Cory was busy distributing the new quarterly statements.

President Kevin reminded everyone that Larry is now the contact person for the newsletter and that Lori is handling the calendar.

We circulated a birthday card for Ed. Red reported that he and Jeanie are doing OK. HAPPY BIRTHDAY ED!!



MAKE UP SITES MON. NOON Wood River St. John's 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 7:00 a.m. Bethalto Airport • NOON Goshen LCCC Center, Ed-wardsville THURSDAY NOON Edwardsville First Christian To locate a club where you are visiting check: http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutU s/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/rid <u>efault.aspx</u>

The Soap Box Festival will be held on September 12th. A signup sheet will start circulating in August. We will be covering the crosswalks.

Kevin is looking for volunteers to coordinate the Steak Fry and Christmas parties.

To date, BaseballMania has paid out \$190. We have lost \$425 in prizes that were assigned to unsold tickets. That's too bad. Tickets can still be sold.

Debbie and Paul each had a futile attempted to win the \$116 50 -50.



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FOUR WAY TEST

• Is it the Truth?

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

- 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.rotaryeclubone.org/

We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk, and the next Twenty-four years telling them to sit down and shut up!

Our next day for gathering club oral history is **August 6** following the noon meeting. Your participation is welcome!

END POLIO NOW Donate \$5 to end Polio. Text "polio" to 90999 and the charge will be placed on your phone bill. A juggler, driving to his next performance, is stopped by the police. "What are those machetes doing in your car?" asks the cop. "I juggle them in my act." "Oh, yeah? Says the doubtful cop. "Let's see you do it." The juggler gets out and starts tossing and catching the knives. Another man driving by slows down to watch. "Wow" says the passer-by. "I'm glad I quit drinking. Look at the test they're giving now!

Former refugee, now Rotarian looking for water.

Since Dut launched <u>Water for</u> <u>Sudan</u> in 2003, the organization has drilled 43 wells in 43 villages. His latest project established two drilling crews with members from rival Sudanese tribes. In January, Dut, a member of the Dinka tribe, traveled to dig wells with Tuany, of the Nuer tribe.

At age 11, Dut fled his village in South Sudan and joined the thousands of boys who trekked across Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya in the late 1980s. Many of these "Lost Boys" died of hunger and disease along the way. Dut was among the fortunate ones and immigrated to New York in 1996. Several years later, he learned his father was in the hospital in South Sudan, dangerously ill from drinking contaminated water. Friends from church bought him a ticket for his first return home. "The doctor told my father to drink clean water," he recalls. "But there was no clean water in my village."

When he returned to the United States, he launched Water for Sudan with help from John Turner, a member of the Rotary Club of Penfield, N.Y., who is now chief operating officer. In 2006, Dut joined Turner's Rotary club.

Dut spends the dry season (November through May) drilling wells in remote villages and the wet season raising funds from Rotary clubs and other donors. Drilling teams travel through the bush from Kampala, Uganda, to South Sudan. Village leaders choose where to drill, and the community collects gravel and digs the hole. Four villagers are trained to maintain the new well, so the people are no longer forced to migrate seasonally with their livestock in search of water. "They build a school, they have a market, and have houses and

a market, and have houses and clinics," Dut says. "The children who walk eight hours a day to get water don't have to do it anymore."

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