



Newsletter Date  
July 22, 2010

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### PROGRAM HOSTS TODAY

Don Brandt  
Brad Targhetta  
Macoupin County Coroner and Funeral Director

NEXT WEEK  
Ron Eaton

### BIRTHDAYS

7-20: Larry Lacher  
7-25: Cory Gallivan

# The Rotary Banner

## Steamy Edition

### A Towering Achievement Pat



Boyle introduced the club to the director of the Confluence Tower in Hartford, Ms. Emily Taul who told us that the tower is finally open and running and ready to receive visitors. In fact, since the tower opened May 14, over 9000 visitors have taken the 30 minute tour up the 180 foot tower to see the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers and to hear the story of the beginning of the Lewis and Clark expedition. There are two towers with three viewing platforms, 50 ft., 100 ft., and 150ft. The platforms are accessed by elevators. Visitors are led on tours of the towers every 30 minutes by one of the 13 volunteers who staff the site. The tower site also serves as a local visitors' center providing information on the area for people who are driving through. Tours cost \$4. for adults, but there is a \$1 discount for groups. The towers are open everyday: Monday- Saturday, 9:30-4:30 and Sunday, 12:30-4:30. Watch for special events coming up this Fall and Winter, including eagle watching.

### News, Notes, Nonsense and Nothings

-Our solo guest was fan favorite Jeff from Bethalto. He told us that the cruise raffle tickets will soon go on sale for \$20.

-This is the LAST CALL to sell Baseball Mania tickets. Lori has plenty. Chris tried to figure out why he had tickets in the presidential briefcase. It seems that they were a "hand me down" from Kevin.

-We had a surprise visit from our favorite uncle-ADG "Uncle Leonard" Berg. He told us about the initial meeting of the new Riverbend club in a couple of weeks at Lockhaven CC. Cost is \$35 pp. Everyone is welcome to attend. It's not often that you get to attend the FIRST meeting of a club. Let's get a table together. he also offered kudos to Red for his

Rotary license plate. Uncle Leonard sees all and, for all we know, knows all!

-Lori (and a bunch of others) loved the catfish fritters served up by Chef Bob. Joe, not so much. But he did love the pineapple upside down dessert. YUM.

-This week's we will have a "dead" program. Rim shot.

-Ron distributed the "program of the year" ballots. Ballots will also be available today at the meeting and at our web site. Voting will conclude on July 29th.

-Rick was shocked to see one of his many "bosses" at the meeting. It was our program speaker Emily Taul. Small world.

-Our immediate past presidents (yes, plural) stepped up and ac-



## MAKE UP SITES

### MONDAY

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— Red Apple
- Goshen—LCCC Center, Edwardsville

### THURSDAY

NOON

- Riverbend— Johnson's Corner Restaurant, Alton
- Edwardsville—First Christian

### FRIDAY

NOON

- Troy, Silver Creek—Pizza Man, 611 Edwardsville Rd., Troy

To locate a club where you are visiting check:

<http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/rid>

cepted the role as co-chairs for the chili supper that will be held on October 22nd. Thanks to Kevin and Roger.

-Late, later and latest-Cory, Paul and Brad.

Joe's a grandpa. What a great birthday gift!

-Wendell was sporting quite the "imported" watch.

-Roger and Charlie took turns missing the joker. The \$35 pot rolls.

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### 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?

"Please keep your dog beside you, sir," a woman said crossly to the man sitting opposite to her on the bench at the park. "I can feel a flea in my shoe." "Midnight, come here," replied the man. "This woman has fleas."

Q. What do you call a polar bear with ear muffs?  
A. Anything you want, he can't hear you!

East Alton blog:

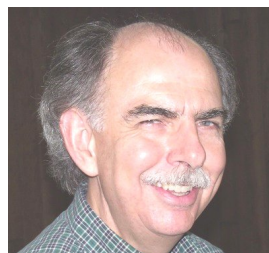
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## From the Archives

**July 24, 1986**

- District Governor Dawson Dean was our speaker.
- Last week new mayor Wayne Buttry told us what's in store for the village.
- We were planning to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Wilshire Shopping Center by selling funnel cakes.
- Rick Skiff struck it rich in Las Vegas. Or not.
- We were collecting magazines to take to the local senior care centers.
- Paul was the new President and, apparently, wielded a heavy gavel.
- Both East Alton and the Bethalto clubs held their meeting at Amelia's restaurant at the airport.



Assistant District Governor, Lenord Berg visited the club last week.

## New Polio Eradication Plan Launched

The World Health Organization and UNICEF cohosted a meeting with Rotary International and other stakeholders in Geneva on 18 June to launch the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) Strategic Plan 2010-12.

The new plan comes at a critical

time for the GPEI. Key endemic countries are witnessing historic gains against the disease. Nowhere is progress more evident than in Nigeria, which has reported just three cases in 2010 as of 6 July compared with 333 cases for the same period in 2009. India has reported 22 cases compared with 107 cases.

Across Africa, 10 of the 15 previously polio-free countries reinfected in 2009 have stopped their outbreaks.

In May, the World Health Assembly welcomed the new plan while expressing deep concern about the substantial funding gap over the next three years. The shortfall is a serious risk to ending polio and highlights the need for Rotary to reach its goal of raising US\$200 million.

Read More at:  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

You and your guest(s) are cordially invited to attend the Rotary Club of The Riverbend Charter Banquet  
Thursday, July 29, 2010  
Lockhaven Country Club  
\$35 per person

Reception: 5:30 pm (cash bar)

Dinner: 6:00 pm

RSVP by Monday July 26, 2010

Call 314-853-1534 or email Angela.braida@ziemergroup.com

## Coming Events

7-29: Charter Meeting of the Riverbend Rotary Club.

9-11: Soap Box Race of Fun

9-23: Visit by District Governor, David Parsons

10-14: Annual Steak Fry

10-22: Chili Dinner

10-28: Halloween Parade

12-9: Christmas Party