

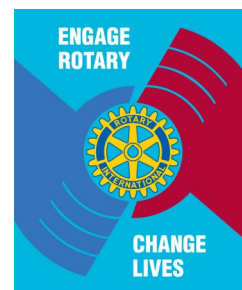
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East Alton Rotary Club
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Bring Relief to Moore, OK

Last week, Angela Valdes talked to the club about the group that she led to Moore, OK for tornado relief. She was able to gather relief supplies in an 18' box truck and a trailer along with eleven volunteers to bring relief to Moore.

They took very specific items— water, Gatorade, basic necessities: food, toiletries, ready-made meals, and a bible, all in a bucket ready to go.

She was surprised at the devastation, but managed to get there just as the city was opening up to volunteers to come back into town. The team just went house to house asking what

people needed. They cleared trees and debris, gave hugs and prayers, helped people find missing items and generally rendered what aid they could give.

There were several communities affected, and Angela's team went to a number of them. The residents had already been taken advantage of, so they were suspicious. Still, her team won their confidence and was able to provide four days of significant help due to the generosity of people in this area.

News Notes and Nonsense

Rotary Day at the Ballpark August 11. Cubs vs the Cardinals.

Tickets must be purchased by July 26. If interested order your tickets at <http://www.rotarydistrict6460.org/Forms/BASEBALL2013.pdf>. All proceeds go to the Literacy Fund.

Tickets are \$45 for Loge seating, left field.

MAKE UP SITES

MONDAY

NOON

- Wood River— St. John UCC,
- Jerseyville— Peace Lutheran

6 PM

- Alton-Godfrey— Alton Sports Tap
- Bethalto— Spirit Hall

TUESDAY

NOON

- Collinsville—Holiday Inn
- Granite City— Niedringhaus Methodist
- Highland— Michael's Restaurant

WEDNESDAY

NOON

- Goshen— LCCC Center, Edwardsville

THURSDAY

NOON

- Riverbend— Mac's Time Out Lounge
- Edwardsville— First Christian Church

FRIDAY

NOON

- Troy, Silver Creek— Pizza Man

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PROGRAM

TODAY

Larry Lacher
Nathan Lacher
Warfare Strategies

NEXT WEEK

Jeny Lewis

BIRTHDAYS

7-20: Larry Lacher
7-25: Cory Gallivan
7-29: Red Littleton

UPCOMING EVENTS

8-11: Rotary Day at the Ballpark.

8-23: Board Meeting

East Alton Rotary Club

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Service Above Self

The Four-Way Test

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it bring Good Will and better friendship?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

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Just For Fun

Two old men were sitting in the yard outside the care home one day when Tim turned to the other and said "John I'm really feeling my age today I just hurt all over, how are you feeling?" John replied "I feel just like a new born babe" Tim looked at him startled "A New Born babe really?" "Yep, I have no hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants."



Swearing in the New President



Business of the Year: Federal Steel



The Installation Crowd

Rotary in Kiev Mending Broken Hearts

The way Olena Ichnatenko tells it, her daughter has two fathers – her birth father and the doctor who gave her a second chance at life at the Ukrainian Children's Cardiac Center.

She was 10 days old when doctors operated to correct a congenital defect. Ichnatenko remembers the early days after her daughter was born in a different hospital: "We were told there that our child was dying and that is it." Only after she took Yaroslava to the cardiac center did she feel a bit of hope for her daughter's life. Yaroslava, who celebrated her ninth birthday this year, is one of the facility's many success stories.

Dr. Illya Yemets, a charter member of the Rotary Club of Kyiv, founded the center in 2003, but its beginnings trace back to the 1990s, starting with a visit from Australian Rotarians led by Past District Governor Jack Olsson. They had stopped in Kyiv on a trip to develop exchanges in non-Rotary countries and learned of the need to train surgeons specializing in pediatric heart conditions. In 1991, Olsson arranged for Yemets to train at a children's hospital in Sydney.

When Yemets returned to Kyiv, he established the first neonatal cardiac surgery department in Ukraine. The department got off to a humble start, housed in a couple of rooms as part of the Amosov National Institute of Cardiovascular Surgery, with equipment donated by Rotarians in Australia, among others. "I am pleased to say that many children were saved on that secondhand equipment," Yemets says.

In 1992, he performed Ukraine's first successful neonatal open heart surgery, on a 21-day-old baby. The Kyiv club was chartered that same year and took on Yemets' cause as its first service project.