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**PROGRAM HOSTS TODAY** Erin Phillips— Carrie Cohen: Madison Co. Child Advocacy NEXT WEEK Brad Pulaski— Visit to Germany

BIRTHDAYS

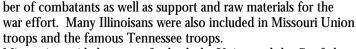
# The Rotary Banner

Dog Days Edition

Not-So-Civil War

Our guest last week was local history guru, Jeff Welker of Roxana HS. Jeff is particularly well-versed in the Civil War, especially as it relates to Illinois and Missouri.

Illinois played a significant role in the war, providing the fourth largest num-



Missouri provided support for both the Union and the Confederate Armies with troops, mules, horses and supplies. Understandably, some of the bloodiest fighting of the war took place in Missouri and along the Illinois-Missouri border.

The infamous prison in Alton operated until 1865. Other Illinois prisons were located in Chicago and Springfield. However, the most important city in Illinois during the war was Cairo, which served as a forward staging ground for Grant's troops moving South. Missouri had the 3rd most battles fought in it of any Confederate state, the largest of which was near Springfield.

News. Notes, Nonsense and Nothings

Our guests included scholarship student Jayson, Allen's kissin' cousin Jeff, the pride of the Bethalto club (who, by the way, heavily plugged their cruise raffle) and potential member Eric. it seems Eric bought a couple of 50-50 tickets and had both of them drawn by our guest speaker. It turns out he only needed one. Yes, his first card was the joker, so he pocketed \$148. Can you get any luckier than that. One wag suggested hat he now has the bucks to cover his first quarterly invoice. Chef Bob pulled out all the stops and "Allensized" the burgers he served for lunch, they were the size of a dessert plate. Speaking of sweet things, rumor has it that there is a desert list making the rounds.

Maybe it was the burgers, but Prez Kevin hit a home run while soliciting for volunteers. It seems that Allen and Steve will be chairing the Steak Fry, Rhonda will take care of the Race O Fun and Brad will take care of the Haunted Trolley. A big THANK YOU to these fine members for stepping up. By the way, we are looking for a car driver for the Race O Fun. Kevin has the details (the driver must be at least 8 years old). Recent EA-WR high school graduate Jayson Osborne was on hand to pick of his \$2200 in scholarship money and briefed us on his future. He will be attending LCCC, studying fire science and nursing. Upon graduation he plans to join the military and pursue a career as a firefighter. He thanked us and offered us assurance that the money will be well spent. We wish him great success and welcome him back any time. HAPPY BIRTHDAY RED!! As



## MAKE UP SITES

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, Edwardsville

THURSDAY NOON

Edwardsville—First Christian

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http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutU s/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/rid efault.aspx

has been his recent practice, Red donated 1 \$ for each of his birthday candles. This year it is 82. We encourage all members to follow Red's generous lead on their next b-day.

Kevin reminded everyone that the Foundation Board will convene after the noon meeting on August 20th.

Lori is circulating info about a "care package" for former scholarship student Ethan who is deployed to Afgasnistan. Everyone at last week's meeting received a list of suggested items.

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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

East Alton blog:

http://eastaltonrotary.blogspot.com/online make-up:

www.rotaryeclubone.org/

The Quotable Paul Harris

Personality has power to uplift, power to depress, power to curse, and power to bless.

Our next day for gathering club oral history is **TODAY** following the noon meeting. Your participation is encouraged!

END POLIO NOW Donate \$5 to end Polio. Text "polio" to 90999 and the charge will be placed on your phone bill. A police officer in a small town stopped a motorist who was speeding down Main Street.

"But officer." the man began, "I can explain,".

"Just be quiet," snapped the officer. "I'm going to let you cool your heels in jail until the chief gets back..."

"But officer, I just wanted to say...."

"And I said to keep quiet! You're going to jail!"

A few hours later the officer looked in on his prisoner and said, "Lucky for you that the chief is at his daughter's wedding. He'll be in a good mood when he gets back."

"Don't count on it," answered the fellow in the cell. "I'm the groom."

Dominican Republic Benefits from Clean Water.

Rotary club members have helped install 19,000 bio-sand filters in the Dominican Republic through the Rotarian-led Children's Safe Water Alliance, reaching an estimated 100,000 people in 300 communities. For seven years, more than 200 clubs in 18 districts in Canada, the Dominican Republic, the United States, and other Caribbean countries have supported the effort, as has The Rotary Foundation, with 30 Matching Grants. In part because of the groundwork that's already been laid, the Dominican Republic was chosen as one of three pilot countries for the new International H2O Collaboration, a worldwide alliance of Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and USAID.

More than 3.5 million people die from water-related diseases each year, and more than 40 percent of those deaths are due to diarrhea. (UNICEF names diarrhea as the second-leading childhood killer.) The average child in a developing country gets diarrhea three or more times a year, leading to four billion cases annually. For those who survive the dehydration, diarrhea gets in the way of nutrient absorption, which can lead to malnutrition, stunt growth

and development, and reduce resistance to other infections that a child might encounter. Unsafe water – often contaminated by untreated wastewater – is a source of other infectious diseases too, such as hepatitis, typhoid, guinea worm, and cholera.

Bio-sand filters, which cost as little as US\$60, reduce waterborne pathogens by more than 90 percent. With no moving parts or required maintenance, all the user has to do is pour water in. Layers of sand and gravel trap parasites, and beneficial bacteria growing on the sand kill micro-organisms. Read more at www.rotary.org