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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 208

FEBRUARY ATTENDANCE: 47.64%

AMBASSADORS (Meetings outside of Rochester):

Rotary District 5960: **Alison Good**; Odense

Carolinekilde Rotary Klub: **Borge M.**

Christensen; South Fort Myers Rotary Club: **Jerry**

Downes; eClub One: **Borge M. Christensen**

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: **Lynn Clarey**

ROTARY RISERS: **John Woodruff**

ON LEAVE: **Gilda Banfield, Carla Nelson**

NEW MEMBERS: **Bill Bourne, Heather Holmes**

ROTARY COMMUNITY GRANT RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the following youth programs who received Rotary Community Grants from the 25th Anniversary Rotary US Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament. \$19,000 was distributed to community programs, bringing the 25 year total to \$758,540.

- The ARC Southeastern Minnesota
- Channel One Backpack Program
- Bella Voce Women's Choir
- Bolder Options Rochester
- Boys & Girls Club Rochester
- Century Booster Club
- Lourdes Athletic Department
- John Marshall DCD-SP Program
- John Marshall Booster Club
- Mayo Hardwood Club
- Sunset Terrace Playground Project
- RNeighbors RColorful Corners
- Rochester Robotics
- Southeastern Minnesota Youth Orchestra
- Sports Mentorship Academy
- PossAbilities' Stepping Out Program
- Diversity Council's Student Leaders Creating Change
- Women's Shelter
- PossAbilities Youth Recreation Program
- Salvation Army's Youth Retreat

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
April 4	Linda Bonow	St Paul, MN
	Jim Frye	Topeka, KS
April 7	Jack Spittel	Baltimore, MD
April 8	Ingrid Neel	Kuressaare, Estonia
April 17	Janice Domke	Ephrata, WA
	Jane Piepgras	Austin, MN
April 18	Maurice Reiner	Tripp, SD
April 20	Gail Sauter	Owatonna, MN
	C. John Hodgson	Fergus Falls, MN
April 22	Steve Lehmkuhle	Dayton, OH
April 26	Art Kennel	Gap, PA
April 27	Dan O'Neil	Rochester, MN
April 29	Paul Olander	Morris, MN
	Jeff Allman	Hammond IN
April 30	Don Scholz	Cleveland, OH

If we have missed your birthday, please let us know.

VALUED ASSOCIATES DAY

April 25

The Rotary Club of Rochester will host Valued Associates Day, Thursday, April 25.

Please invite, as your guest, one or more of your valued associates to Rotary. This is a great opportunity to thank them for all they do and to share your Rotary experience with them. Sign-up online at our Web site or at an upcoming Rotary meeting by April 18. Please include the name(s) of your valued associate(s) so we may have a name tag ready for them when they arrive at the meeting.

ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks to all who helped with the March meetings:
Greeters: Jerry Mahon, Judith O’Fallon, Sue Dripps, Mark Dripps, Cris Fischer, Pam Meyer;
Cashier: Jen Woodford, Joanne Stormer, Janice Domke;
Visitors Desk: Sue Dripps, Paul Tieskoetter, John Woodruff, Maria Brown;
Invocations: Audrey Betcher, Phil Karsell, Lorie Luedke, Karel Weigel;
Four Way Test: Mark Dripps, Jen Woodford, Brent Fisher, Teresa Blythe;
Introduction of Visitors: Rick Lien, Leigh Johnson, Vicki Allen;
Presenters: Richard Hurt, Sonya McNamara, Darrell Thompson, Craig Swalboski, Robyn Befort, J. Drake Hamilton.

April Rotary Anniversaries

Peggy Elliott	1 year
JoAnn Stormer	1 year
Peter Carryer	2 years (plus)
Thomas Shives	2 years (plus)
Armin Budimlic	3 years
Linda Hillenbrand	4 years
Tom Bruckman	5 years
Bruce Ryan	5 years
Brenda Walker	6 years
Ashok Patel	8 years
Dan O’ Neil	9 years
Mark Dripps	10 years
Ruth Dolan	14 years
Ardell Brede	18 years
D.W. “Bill” Harreld	21 years
Doug Rovang	23 years
John Spittell	24 years
Richard Hurt	34 years
Glenn Miller	54 years



APRIL ROTARY CALENDAR

- April 4** Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - 11:30 am - 1 pm, “Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation-Investing in Entrepreneurs,” Tim Penny.
- April 11** Kahler Hotel - Elizabethan Room - 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, “Dakota War,” John Furst.
- April 18** Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - 11:30 am -1:00 pm, “The Kwik Trip Story,” John McHugh.
- April 25** Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - “ABC6 News Chief Meteorologist Chris Kuball.”

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- April 1** Channel One Service, Channel One Building, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- April 8** Salvation Army Dinner Service, 5:45-7:00 p.m.; Salvation Army Building
- April 9** STRIVE, John Marshall High School, 8:10 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.
- April 10-12** Rotary Office Closed
- April 10** Board of Directors Meeting - 7:00-8:00 a.m., Directors Room, Kahler Grand Hotel
- April 10** STRIVE, Mayo High School, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- April 10** Community Food Response, 1:15-6:45 p.m., Bethel Lutheran Church
- April 11** STRIVE, Century High School, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- April 17** Rotary Information Meeting, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Kahler Hotel’s Directors’ Room
- April 22** Salvation Army Dinner Service, 5:45-7:00 p.m., Salvation Army Building
- April 24** STRIVE Banquet, Rochester International Event Center, 5:30 p.m.

ROTARY eCLUB ONE
www.rotaryclubone.org/

The Rotary Club of Rochester 2012-13 Club Progress to Goals

CATEGORY	2012-13 GOALS	As of March 2013
Membership <i>(Began Rotary year with 215)</i>	240	208
Rotary Foundation - Annual Program Fund	\$12,000	\$12,977.45 (108% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	24%
Polio Plus <i>(from Auction proceeds and individual contributions)</i>	\$2,500	\$2,800
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project <i>(from Auction proceeds)</i>	\$1,000	\$1,000

Graduating Seniors recognized at Rotary



Catherine Karsell with parents Carolyn and Kris Karsell and Rotarian Granddad Phil Karsell.



Ariana Shives with Rotarian Dad Thomas Shives.



Ryan Moertel with Rotarian Dad Dave Moertel.



Alyssa Titchenal with STRIVE Mentor Michon Rogers.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Rotarian **Jen Woodford** and new Rotarian **Heather Holmes**.



Rotarian **Don Scholz** with new Rotarian **Bill Bourne**.

CHANGES MADE TO CLUB MENTOR PROGRAM

It has been the tradition of The Rotary Club of Rochester to offer new Rotarians a mentor upon induction. The mentor's role is to facilitate Rotary fellowship, educate new members about service opportunities, and encourage the embodiment of "Service Above Self." Suggestions for serving as a successful mentor include:

- Monitor the new member's comfort level and involvement in the club through periodic personal meetings.
- Accompany the new member to club meetings on occasion.
- Introduce the new member to club members. One way to do this is to sign-up together to serve as greeters at a Thursday meeting.
- Explain the various club committees and suggest a committee assignment that is compatible with the new member's interests, if possible.
- Inform the new member about special meetings and Rotary social events held throughout the year. Attend as many of these events as possible and act as an informal host to the new member and the member's family, introducing them to other club members and making them feel at home.
- Ensure that the new member understands all club rules, including the attendance requirement and options.



- Monitor the new member's attendance. Suggest make-up alternatives, when necessary, and accompany new members to meeting make-ups, if possible.
- Be readily available to answer questions and provide advice or guidance if asked.

Many of our new Rotarians have indicated they feel more comfortable being mentored by their proposer. It will now be the decision of the proposing Rotarian whether s/he will serve as the new member's mentor or request another Rotarian for the role.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING FOR ROTARY DISTRICT 5960

The Annual Meeting of the District for the Fiscal Year 2012-13 will be held on Friday, April 19 at the Holiday Inn East, 2201 Burns Avenue, St Paul, MN 55119 (I-94 and McKnight Road intersection), in conjunction with the 2013 District Conference. The meeting will commence at 4:30 through 5:45 p.m.

ROTARY COMMUNITY GRANT THANK YOU'S

PossAbilities

I'm President-elect of the PossAbilities Board. Please pass along my appreciation to the scholarship committee for providing grant money to our two youth programs. All of the money will be used by our youth. Thanks again.

Sincerely,
Bill Kleis



Lourdes High School Basketball Program

On behalf of all the Lourdes basketball players – Thank you so much for the generous donation. This money will be used by the basketball programs and is much appreciated. Send our thanks to all Rotarians.

Marv Peters
Lourdes Athletic Department

Facebook posting from PossAbilities

A big THANK YOU to The Rotary Club of Rochester for selecting our Stepping Out Program and Youth Recreation Program to be recipients of grants. Thank you for helping to ensure that every individual with a disability can reach their fullest potential!

Holiday Classic Table Worker

Just wanted to once again say thanks for the invite. The luncheon as usual went great.

Greg Glasenapp
Table Worker, 2012 Holiday Classic

Minnesota Youth Orchestras (SEMYO)

On behalf of Southeastern Minnesota Youth Orchestras (SEMYO), I would like to thank the Rochester Rotary Clubs for the donation of \$500 to support SEMYO's outreach programs. The support from our community partners is instrumental to the success of our mission which is dedicated to the artistic and personal development of young instrumental musicians. The luncheon yesterday was very inspirational and we appreciate being included among the wonderful organizations who work to enrich the lives of youth in the region.

We appreciate the support from the Rochester Rotary Clubs and US Bank for SEMYO's young musicians and all you do to make our community a better place to live.

Sincerely,
Jocelyn Woog
Interim Executive Director, SEMYO"



Holiday Classic Luncheon speakers included Craig Swalboski, Rochester Post-Bulletin, Robyn Befort, PossAbilities, and Darrell Thompson, Bolder Options and former NFL player.





You and your guests
are invited to
**The “Famous”
Rotary Progressive
Dinner**

Saturday, May 4, 2013
5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

If you have participated in the past (and it’s been four years) you know this is a great evening of fellowship, food, and fun. If you have not yet been to this event, you are in for a treat! Watch for more details to come soon.

STRIVE Banquet Donations



The STRIVE Banquet committee is collecting small items for “goodie bags” to be given to our 2012-13 STRIVE students at the upcoming banquet on April 24. Items donated in the past included pens, pencils, note pads,

sticky notes, water bottles, water bottle holders, gift cards, calendars, flashlights, passes to the Y, candy / snacks, etc. Promotional items from your business are great! If you have gifts you are willing to share with these young people, please contact Rochester Rotary Riser President Amanda Reinartz.

INVITE A YOUNG PERSON ON A SERVICE PROJECT AND CHANGE A LIFE

By Danae Cooney, a Rotary scholar and former Interactor from Hamilton, New Zealand
Rotary Voice, March 28, 2013

“Sometimes all it takes is one; one person willing to open a door, offer an opportunity and lead another.

In August 2011, I was 16 years old. I was given the opportunity to participate in a Rotary service project in Fiji. I traveled with a team of Rotarians, including my stepfather, to a small, remote village in Fiji called Saqani,



where we refurbished a rotting, unusable preschool. And while it’s impossible to share everything about that trip, it’s important to share with you some of the impact it had on me.

Fiji was my first experience of being involved with the Rotary cause, hands on, and it changed my life. When you do a service project with Rotarians, you’re helping change the lives of those less fortunate, alongside like-minded people; people with a common goal, a common purpose, and a common belief in “Service Above Self.” Despite being only 16 at the time, I realized that in Rotary, age is inconsequential. It’s your head, your heart and your purpose that count.

In Fiji, I not only saw how blessed I am, but I realized that I must use this to help others. I decided that, for me, being born in New Zealand means I have a responsibility to grow and learn. I now know I must take any opportunity of service that I’m offered, knowing that each opportunity will grow me for yet another opportunity along the way, and I will have even more to offer those in need.

Fiji was a pivotal experience for me, and cemented my dream of making humanitarian work an ongoing part of my life. And all because one Rotarian was willing to offer me an opportunity to serve.

Is there a door that you can open for a young person today? Take a young person with you as you humbly serve others. It will potentially change their lives and the lives of many others in the future. Open a door.”



“LIKE” THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER
ON FACEBOOK!

GLOBAL VACCINE SUMMIT TO RECOGNIZE PROGRESS IN IMMUNIZING ALL CHILDREN EVERYWHERE

Reprinted from the Press Room of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
Abu Dhabi, March 7, 2013

“Global leaders unite to reaffirm commitment to end polio and improve child health.”

Under the patronage of His Highness General Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, and in partnership with United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, it was announced today that a Global Vaccine Summit will be held in Abu Dhabi on April 24-25, 2013.



The Summit will endorse the critical role that vaccines and immunization play in saving lives and protecting children for a lifetime. It aims to turn a spotlight on the

importance of building and maintaining powerful routine immunization systems to keep all children healthy, no matter where they live. Despite tremendous progress, one child still dies every 20 seconds from a disease that could have been prevented by an existing vaccine. The Summit, held during World Immunization Week (April 24-30), will continue the momentum of the Decade of Vaccines — a vision and commitment to reach all people with the vaccines they need.

BILL & MELINDA
GATES foundation

The Global Vaccine Summit will showcase how the world is uniting to improve child health by developing better and more affordable vaccines, by providing access to existing and new vaccines, and by strengthening routine immunization.

“We must continue to immunize every child against polio and other vaccine-preventable diseases,” said UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. “We have seen an unprecedented level of commitment for eradicating polio from political, religious and community leaders at all levels. Together, we can and will finish the job.”

At the summit, donors, global leaders and partners will demonstrate their support for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative’s Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan 2013-2018, the first comprehensive plan to lay out all the critical elements needed to achieve eradication. Ending

polio is an early milestone in the global roadmap to save more than 20 million lives by 2020.

“Thanks to tremendous progress in 2012, we now have a unique window of opportunity to change history and end polio,” said Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. “We must invest now to ensure strong immunization systems will protect our gains against polio and help us reach mothers and children with other life-saving vaccines and additional health services.”

“The Vaccine Summit in Abu Dhabi is another critical step to ensuring that all

children have access to life-saving vaccines. This collaboration is part of our ongoing work with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, potentially transforming generations to come. Under the guidance of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Abu Dhabi, we remain committed to advancing the opportunities and benefits of a healthy global society through childhood immunizations,” stated His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan.

The organizing partners of the Global Vaccine Summit are: UNICEF, the World Health Organization, the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, the GAVI Alliance, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.”

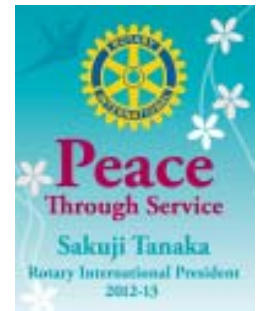


**END
POLIO
NOW**

Rotary 5960 District Conference

April 18-20, 2013, Holiday Inn East, St. Paul

Join other Rotarians from our club and all over District at the upcoming conference on April 19 and 20. Learn more at <http://rotary5960.org>. Click on What's New?
Registration deadline is April 11.



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

Friday, April 19, 2013

7:30 am	Registration Opens (main floor)
8:00 - 11:30 am	District Assembly (training for 2013-2014 officers) (no charge)
9:00 - 11:00 am	Opportunity Cafe set up (2nd floor hallway)
11:00 - 11:30 am	Credentialing for club delegates to Annual Business Meeting (first floor registration)
11:00 am	Opportunity Cafe/Social Networking opens
Noon - 1:30 pm	Luncheon and Keynote (Lynn Casey, CEO of Padilla, Speer, Beardsley-premiere Public Image firm) "Recruitment and Retention: Cracking the Code!" (\$30 per person)
1:45 - 2:45 pm	Breakout Sessions 1 (complete schedule/list coming soon)
2:45 - 3:15 pm	Break-Opportunity Cafe open
3:15 - 4:15 pm	Breakout Sessions Block 2 (complete schedule/list coming soon)
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Credentialing for club delegates to Annual Business Meeting (first floor registration)
4:30 - 5:45 pm	Annual Business Meeting for club delegates (V One Restaurant-main floor) Speaker RI Rep Christine Etienne
6:00 - 6:45 pm	Reception (Opportunity Cafe closes)
6:45 - 8:45 pm	Dinner - Keynote by RI Representative PDG Christine Etienne (D6290) "Working for Peace Through Service" (\$50 per person) "A Tribute to the Chairman of the Board" Rotarian Ron Reynolds Sings Frank Sinatra Governor Kovarik "After Hours" (V One Restaurant-main floor)

Saturday, April 20, 2013

8:00 am - noon	Registration opens (main floor)
7:30 - 9:00 am	Breakfast on the Run (to the bus) (\$15 per person)
8:30 am	Bus departs for Feed My Starving Children
9:00 - 11:00 am	District Conference participants will truly pursue "Peace Through Service." Hands-on opportunity. Attendees will pack food at the <u>Eagan location of Feed My Starving Children</u> . Transportation will be provided to and from the hotel to the packing site for those who desire it. We can accommodate 90 volunteers for this hands-on international service project, so sign up early to insure your spot.
11:30 am	Bus returns to Holiday Inn East (\$5 per person)
11:45 - 12:30	Country Fair with Youth Exchange students
12:30 - 1:45 pm	Youth Exchange Buffet Luncheon - Marilyn Fitzgerald, Ph.D. Dr. Fitzgerald consults with organizations investing in projects intended to achieve sustainable outcomes. Currently, she is involved in micro-loan projects in rural western Guatemala. She is author of <i>If I had a Water Buffalo: Microfinance as a Means to Sustainability</i> , published November 2012 and addressing the essentials of humanitarian aid. (\$30 per person)
2:00 pm	Conference adjourns

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build good will and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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WEB SITES

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Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960:

www.rotary5960.org

Rotary International:

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ROTARY COMMITTEES**CLUB SERVICE I**

Sue Johnson, Director

Greeters *Colin Aldis*
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 Mentors *Milt Tostrud*

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Club Bulletin *Elizabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke*
 Club Web Site *Elizabeth Karsell*
 Invocations *Bill Wiktor*
 Programs *Dana Funk*
 Public Relations *Paul Barton*
 Four-Way Test *Steve Sponsel*

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Biennial Auction *Mark Dripps, Dana Funk*
 Golf Day *Mark Dripps*
 Music *Ann Beatty*
 Social Events *Anne Berberich*

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 Rotary International Foundation *Mark Dripps*
 Youth Exchange *Cris Fischer*
 Rotary Gift of Life *Betty Devine*
 World Community Service *Judith O'Fallon*

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 Rotary Literacy Coordinator *Stacy Sinner*
 Rotation Day *Danae Ostern*
 STRIVE *Mark Dripps, Diane Ilstrup*
 Vocational Talks *Alison Good*
 Youth Protection Officer *Michon Rogers*

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Diane Ilstrup, Director

Channel One *Tom Moyer, Phet Saysomphou*
 Community Food Response *Phil Karsell, Glenn VanLaningham*
 Library Hosts *Mary Jo Kelly*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Steve Sponsel*
 Rotary Bell Ringing for Salvation Army *Fred Suhler*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic *Teresa Blythe, Lynn Clarey, Elizabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke, Bill Nietz, Lois Nietz, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht, Steve Stenhaug, Lorrie Swancutt*
 Salvation Army Dinners *Linda Hillenbrand, Sue Johnson*
 Service Above Self Awards *Cresta Valentine*
 Student Guests *Sara Gilliland*
 White Oaks Park *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*