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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 188

FEBRUARY ATTENDANCE: 40%

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: none reported

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: none reported

ROTARY eCLUB ONE: none reported

OTHER CLUBS: Sara Gilliland, Ray Johnson, Sue Johnson

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: Robert Olson, Mark Noble, Gary Harmon, Dennis Nigon

ROTATION DAY APRIL 27

What Happens on Rotation Day?

Members may be assigned as an attendee or offer to host at a location where you do business or enjoy a special interest (i.e. a



workshop, garden, etc.). Rotation Day goes back to the early days of Rotary when Rotarians rotated their meeting site each week. It gives you the opportunity to get to know each other a little better and find out about your host's vocation/interest.

What is the Host's Responsibility?

Hosts sign up and give the number of members they would like to accommodate for lunch. This can vary from a minimum of six to whatever number you are able to accommodate. Hosts are given a list of members, invite their guests, give directions, etc. Hosts order lunches for all attendees. Members have already paid for their Rotation Day lunches with their dues, so the host simply submits a billing to the Rotary office for lunches. During the meeting time, 11:30-1:00 pm, members introduce themselves, and the hosts tell about their occupation. Some may provide a tour of their facilities. Hosts take attendance and turn it into the Rotary office.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
April 4	Jim Frye	Topeka, KS
April 7	Jack Spittell	Baltimore, MD
April 8	Ingrid Neel	Kuressaare, Estonia
April 17	Janice Domke	Ephrata, WA
	Kathryn Lombardo	San Diego, CA
	Jane Piepgras	Austin, MN
April 18	Maurice Reiner	Tripp, SD
April 22	Steve Lehmkuhle	Dayton, OH
	Dan O'Neil	Rochester, MN
April 29	Jeff Allman	Hammond, IN
	Don Scholz	Cleveland, OH
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If we have missed your birthday, please let us know.



DRIVERS NEEDED TO TRANSPORT OUR 2017 CAMP RYLA STUDENTS

The three Rotary clubs in Rochester will once again sponsor four local high school students for participation in this year's Rotary Youth Leadership Academy in Hudson, WI, April 21-25. Rotarians are needed to provide transportation for the students to and from the event. Participants are to be in Hudson, WI on Friday, April 21 between 4:30 and 6:00 pm and need to be picked up on Tuesday, April 25. The Rotarian providing transportation back to Rochester is invited to attend the St. Paul Rotary Club meeting at 12:00 pm at the Downtown DoubleTree Hotel. Camp RYLA leadership and attendees provide a high-energy

APRIL CALENDAR Weekly Meetings

- April 6 Service Day, Rochester Public Library, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
- April 13 Traditional Meeting, "The Commission 'Collaboration Fosters Innovation,'" presented by Sunny Prabhakar, Room 101, Mayo Civic Center, 11:30 am 1:00 pm
- April 20 **1905 Meetings**, Express Employment Professionals, Olmsted History Center, Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce, Trinity Lutheran Church, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
- April 27 Rotation Day, Charter House and Rochester Area Foundation, 11:30 am -1:00 pm

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What Do Those Attending Do?

Guests wait for an invitation by email or phone from your host. Please respond to the host to confirm that you are attending and arrive promptly at 11:30 pm on Rotation Day to enjoy the event!

Sign up to participate by Thursday, April 13.

Rotation Day 4/27/17 attendee sign-up Rotation Day 4/27/17 host sign-up



Other Meetings & Events

- April 6 Channel One Service, 6:00-8:00 pm, Channel One Building (131 35th St. SE)
- April 11 Rotary Club of Rochester Board, OMC SE Clinic Conference, Room 4-2 (210 9th St. SE), 7:00 am
- April 12 Rotary Clubs of Rochester World Community Service Meeting, Edina Realty Conference Room (1301 Salem Rd SW) 7:00 am
- April 10 Salvation Army Dinner Service, Salvation Army Building, 5:30-7:00 pm
- April 19 Rotary Information Meeting, location TBD, 12:00-1:30 pm
- April 26 Wine Down Wednesday, Forager Brewing Company, 4:00 pm

CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU, JIM SLOAN! Paul Harris recipient



Thanks to all who helped with March meetings: Greeters: Lorrie Swancutt, Melody Trimble, James Seward, Heather Holmes, Mike Mahrer, Karen Ricklefs, Jerry Lobland; Cashier: Janice Domke, Danae Gaio, Caroline Baihly; Sergeant-at-Arms: John Woodruff; Visitors Desk: Allie Good, Jan Hagedorn, Walt Menning; Music: Jim Sloan, Mark Neville; Reflections: Elaine Case, Sarah Burrington, Phil Karsell; Four Way Test: Stephanie Fisher, Tank Sholem, Mike O'Fallon; Introduction of Visitors: Jen Woodford; Presenters: Sean Tehan, Christina Valdez, Marna Anderson, Tory Johnson

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT STACEY

Did you receive the email about the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta? The header reads, "Celebrate with Bill Gates in Atlanta." I think it should read, "Celebrate with President Elect Janice Domke in Atlanta!" The RI Convention will be held June 10-14, and we have a great opportunity to have record attendance of Rotarians from The Rotary Club of Rochester since the Convention is so close to home. Please consider checking out the convention agenda to see what's in it for you and your fellow Rotarians!

Last year, it was my privilege to represent you at the RI Convention in Seoul, South Korea. It was a remarkable experience which connected me even closer to the mission of Rotary.

Can I just offer a few of the benefits you may gain from attendance this year?

- Instant recognition by complete strangers who automatically become your friends when they see your Rotary lapel pin;
- Updates on global initiatives that make you proud of the wonderful and effective work that Rotary does worldwide;
- A good dose of inspiration and motivation to get even more engaged in Rotary work, at home and abroad;
- A better understanding about the extraordinary track record of Rotary as a charitable organization;



- Hearing the President Elect of Rotary International speak about the 2017-2018 theme;
- An opportunity to hear Bill Gates, live and in person, speaking about the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's work with Rotary to help end polio; and
- The chance to spend some time with your 2017-2018 club president and literally thousands of other Rotarians who all believe in "Service Above Self."

Ask anyone who has attended the Rotary International Convention. They will tell you there is nothing quite like it! Visit <u>www.riconvention.org</u> for more information.

Yours, for Rotary, Stacey Vanden Heuvel Club President, 2016-2017

The Rotary Club of Rochester 2016-17 Club Progress to Goals		
CATEGORY	2016-17 GOALS	As of March 31, 2017
Membership (Began Rotary year with 185)	187	188
Rotary International Foundation Annual Program Fund	\$10,000	\$8,939 (89% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	16%
PolioPlus	\$2,500	\$4,050 (162% of goal)
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project	\$1,000	\$1,000 (100% of goal)
Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation	\$10,000	\$6,967 (70% of goal)



GATEWAY SCIENCE FAIR

Dear Rotarians,

On behalf of the entire GATEway Science Fair planning team, I want to thank you for conducting the Holiday Classic and selecting the GATEway Science Fair as a recipient of a \$1000 grant this year. My two team members and I also appreciated the lovely Awards Luncheon. The grant will be used for our 2018 Fair, which we will be scheduling soon.

While inclement weather caused us to postpone the 2017 Fair by one day, we were grateful that all our partners and volunteers could accommodate that shift. On February 26, we had over 200 students attend the Fair, from twenty-eight different public and private schools in Rochester and the surrounding areas. Each student received feedback and encouragement from three of the many scientific professionals who volunteered to review the projects and talk with the students. The students and their families were also treated to the

Science Museum of Minnesota's presentation on the topic of electricity. In addition to their written feedback, each participant received a student-designed t-shirt, a certificate of participation, a program, and a wonderful sense of being recognized for his or her personal efforts and scientific accomplishments.

In addition to the Fair itself, we conduct free, handson, how-to Science Fair workshops every fall to introduce students and their parents to the scientific method of inquiry. We also offer a version of that presentation to teachers and bring it to their classrooms. We deeply appreciate your support of our mission to nurture the love of science in the children of our community. We are looking forward to the 2018 Fair season!

Sincerely,

Dee Voldal, GATEway Science Fair Planning Team



BEAR CREEK SERVICES

We would like to thank the The Rotary Club of Rochester, the Rochester Rotary Risers, and the Greater Rochester Rotary for providing us with a grant to purchase 15 circular tables.

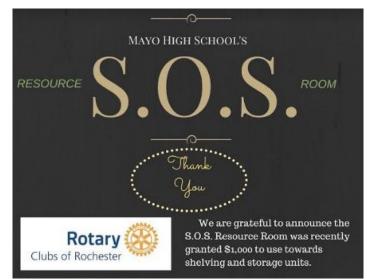
The circular tables are being used by MANY programs and events hosted at our building for children and young adults who have disabilities. The circular tables were requested by staff members of these programs who wanted to increase the stimulation and socialization of the children who participate in the programs.

We hosted 40+ Folwell Elementary students to meet and and have dinner with people who have disabilities. The goal of this event was to erase the stigma that students may have had about people with disabilities.

The teachers from Folwell Elementary who attended this event said that the change from long rectangular tables to the more inclusive circular tables made a positive difference compared to previous years!

We thank the Rotary Club of Rochester for their support. These tables will have a long-term impact on many important programs and events for individuals who have special needs!

MAYO HIGH SCHOOL S.O.S.



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program for this meeting, and it quickly becomes clear why Rotary clubs support this amazing opportunity for high schoolers. Alternatively, students may simply be picked up at 1:30 pm after the meeting. If you are interested in providing transportation, please contact Rotarian Dana Funk.

INVITATION FROM CAMP RYLA

All Rotarians and their family are invited to come out for dinner on Sunday April 23 at Camp St. Croix. We will have a picnic dinner and an activity with the campers, usually a small group discussion about ethics.

You can come out a little early and enjoy the camp grounds and fellowship with your fellow Rotarians and Rylarians. We just ask you to cover the cost of dinner, which is about \$10 to \$15. Coming out to camp is good for you since you get fresh air and get to meet the people who will be running the world in about 20 years (and you will feel better about how the world will be running then, as well). It is also good for Rotary. As all of you know, membership in North America has been declining for years. These kids are the people we will want to be Rotarians when they grow up. The purpose of the group activity is as much to let them know that there is a group of people that care about their future and to help them become more aware that there is a way for them to be able to give back to their community when they are ready. Please let me know if you are interested in coming out at info@campryla.com. We have room for 100 Rotarians as long as we know in advance to plan for the meals.

Thanks to Rochester Rotarians, sponsors, advertisers, and volunteers, we were able to give \$26,000 to area youth programs.





Rotary Community Grant recipients from our 2016 Holiday Classic proceeds: Bear Creek Services, Bella Voce Young Women's Choir, Boys and Girls Club Rochester, Channel One Regional Food Bank, GATEway, (The Rochester Chapter of the Minnesota Council for the Gifted and Talented), Honors Choirs of Southeastern Minnesota, Mayo High School National Honor Society, Rochester Area Family YMCA, Rochester A Better Chance, Rotary Clubs of Rochester youth programs, Rochester Public Library, The Rochester Salvation Army for School of Music, SEMYO - Southeastern Minnesota Youth Orchestra, Somalia Rebuild Organization







James N. Lucas, Past-President, Bloomington Rotary Club, published in the DG Installation event program, posted online June 28, 2013, by Charlene Ribaudo

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who wants to do something extraordinary...to rise above the daily routine...to make a difference in a community and the world.

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who takes on a small tasks with unusual enthusiasm.

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who has a vision of the world at peace, brought about by goodwill and understanding.

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who sees three million children each year die from disease and asks: Why?

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who sees 1,200 Rotary Foundation scholarships awarded each year and asks: Why not more?

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who believes that truth is a difficult and worthy pursuit.

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who acts not out of convenience but out of conviction.

A Rotarian is an ordinary person who believes that "Service Above Self" is more than an ideal. It is a belief that transforms an ordinary person into an extraordinary member of the world community.

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NEW BOOK PRAISES ROTARY'S ROLE IN FIGHT TO END POLIO

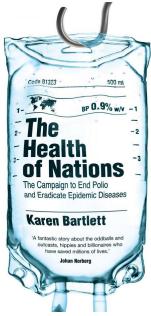
By Sallyann Price, taken from <u>https://www.rotary.org/en/new-book-praises-rotarys-fight-end-polio</u>

A new book in the field of public health highlights Rotary's role in the global effort to wipe out polio, and places it in the context of humanity's relentless struggle to contain the world's epidemics.

In "The Health of Nations: The Campaign to End Polio and Eradicate Epidemic Diseases" (Oneworld Publications), British journalist and Sunday Times best-selling author Karen Bartlett surveys the global landscape of epidemics past, present, and future. Beginning with the 1980 eradication of smallpox, she guides us through more timely threats such as the Ebola and Zika viruses, and looks ahead to a future without malaria, measles, or polio.

"Who decided to rid the world of polio? Not politicians or global health organizations, as you might expect," she writes, in one of several chapters devoted to polio. "The starting gun was fired by Rotary International, a network of businessmen more used to enjoying convivial dinners, raising money for local good causes, and organizing floats to carry Santa Claus around suburban neighborhoods at Christmas."

Bartlett offers a comprehensive, readable account of the polio-eradication campaign's history and Rotary's unlikely role as its chief advocate. From epidemiologist John Sever's early suggestion that Rotary adopt ending polio as an organizational mission to the first immunization drives in the Philippines and Central and South America, the world community doubted both the idea of a campaign targeting a single disease and Rotary's capacity as a volunteer organization to execute it.



The narrative traces Rotary's mission to reach all the world's children with Albert Sabin's polio vaccine, the formation of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), and the struggle to interrupt transmission in the world's poorest communities, particularly in densely populated countries like India, which has not reported a new case since 2011.

"Polio eradication is a twentieth-century dream, conceived by idealists and driven by big international institutions and mass mobilizations of volunteers, working together to make a better world for all," Bartlett writes. "It must succeed or fail, however, in a twenty-first century marked by factionalism, religious intolerance, and rising inequality."

Aziz Memon, chair of Rotary's National PolioPlus Committee in Pakistan, is interviewed about the challenges facing his country, one of the few where polio remains endemic and conflict has slowed progress. Carol Pandak, director of PolioPlus at Rotary headquarters, weighs in on the contributions of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, in both funding and high-profile advocacy. Other prominent voices from Rotary's GPEI partners chime in throughout.

Based in London, Bartlett has previously worked in politics and written for Newsweek and Wired. She's produced documentary films and written nonfiction books, including a biography of musician Dusty Springfield and a collaboration with Anne Frank's stepsister Eva Schloss on Schloss' memoirs.

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ROTARIANS CHANGING THE WORLD

INVITATION TO 5960 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Submitted by Jim Hunt, District Governor 2016-17

District 5960 Rotarians & Guests,

Please join us to celebrate "Rotarians Changing the World" at our 5960 District Conference 2017 at the Holiday Inn East in St Paul. This is going to be an event you won't want to miss. There will be something for everyone starting with a reception / party on Thursday evening. Friday morning will see the kick-off "of "our highly-acclaimed line up of keynote speakers with Christopher Michaelson, Business Ethics professor at St Thomas. Global Peace Scholar David LaMotte, author of "World Changing 101" will highlight lunch. Tom Thorfinnson, Chief Strategy Officer for Rotary International, will spot light the evening session before David's return as Friday evening's entertainment. Saturday's featured speaker, Neema Namadamu, comes to us from the Democratic Republic of Congo and will be an inspiration to all. Interspersed will be great breakout sessions that will stretch and grow your world view, and develop district-wide friendships. And we will feature the Inbound Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team from Northern Australia and Timor-Leste.

Conference Schedule Highlights

Thursday, April 27

2:00 - 4:30 pmGrants Management Seminar - please book attendance for this training at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/gmsapr275:00-8:00 pmWelcome Reception with appetizers & cash bar. Meet, greet & network with other Rotarians.

Friday, April 28

Friday Morning Session:		
9:00 am	Registration Opens	
9:45 - 10:30 am	Christopher Michaelson "Ethics and the Four-Way Test"	
10:45 - 11:30 am	Breakout 1	
11:45 am-1:15 pm	David LaMotte "World Changing 101: Challenging the Myth of Powerlessness"	

Friday Afternoon & Dinner Session:

1:30 - 2:15 pm	Breakout 2
2:30-3:15 pm	Breakout 3
3:30-4:15 pm	Breakout 4 & Annual Meeting
4:00-5:30 pm	Rotary Youth Exchange Country Fair
4:00 - 7:00 pm	Photo Booth
5:00-6:30 pm	Happy Hour: cash bar
6:30-9:00 pm	Dinner & Entertainment, Speaker: Tom Thorfinnson, Chief Strategy Officer Rotary International;
	Entertainment by David LaMotte

Saturday, April 29

Saturday MorningSession:7:30 amRegistration Opens8:00 amBreakfast Starts8:30 - 9:30 amNeema Namadamu "Breaking down barriers: One woman leading the way for peace in eastern Congo"9:45 - 10:30 amBreakout 510:45 - 11:30 amBreakout 6Learn more and register online at http://www.rotary5960.org/dc2017/

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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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Four-Way Test	Mark Dripps
Music	VACANT
Reflections	. Heather Holmes, Kelly Engler
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Woodruff
Programs	Wes Duellman
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