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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 255

AVERAGE SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE: 62.85%

AMBASSADORS: Eric Matteson, Windhoek, Namibia; Truda Tyce, Kyrenia Cyprus, Glenn VanLaningham, District World Community Service Meeting.

Greater Rochester: 10/12/05: Linda Bonow, Jerry Downes, Fred Nobrega, Doug Pritchard, Marv Ramsay. 10/25/05: George Allen, Lynn Clarey, Mac Hamilton, Neal Lloyd, Chris Rustad, Jerry Schliep, Mark Tasler. 11/09/05: Bari Amadio, Ashleigh Rosson Hoffman, Mike Quinn, Anysley Smith, Fred Suhler, David Tines. 11/16/05: Mac Hamilton, Jim Orke, Mike Quinn, Alan Sessler.

Rochester Rotary Risers: 10/24/95: Charlie Fish, John Woodruff. 11/01/05: Valerie Pace, Marcia Redalen 11/03/05: Charlie Fish, Valerie Pace, Alan Sessler, Chuck Springer, Mark Utz, John Woodruff. 11/15/05: Marty Anderson, Charlie Fish, Judith O'Fallon, Mike Quinn, Alan Sessler.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON - DECEMBER 15

You should have received invitations to the Holiday Luncheon. Please check the times. We are starting with an eggnog reception at 11:00 a.m. with the **meeting to begin at 11:45 a.m.** Our entertainment is the Choral Arts Ensemble and since most of this group works, we needed to move the time up. Our lunch will be a plated sit-down lunch. Come when you can and socialize with fellow members. **We do need reservations!** Sending your check in is the best way to go and will speed things up for you. We usually have 250 people in attendance and you don't want to stand in line to pay. Checks need to be written to Rochester Rotary, not the Kahler.

ELECTRONIC MAKEUPS

Can't make it to Rotary? There is an electronic makeup opportunity at www.rotaryclubone.org. Follow the directions found there, read some Rotary information, then fill out an electronic makeup card and turn it in to the Rotary Office or forward it to us.

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Dec. 4	Marvin Ramsay	LaCrosse, WI
Dec. 7	Jerry Mahon	Rochester, MN
Dec. 10	Jenny Hosfeld	Minneapolis, MN
Dec. 13	Jim Wiekamp	Hull, IA
Dec. 14	Dave Oeth	Dubuque, IA
Dec. 15	Jeannette Krom	Utrcht, The Netherland
	Mike Mahrer	Grafton, ND
	Barrie Pederson	Edina, MN
Dec. 16	Mike Bue	Annaston, AL
Dec. 17	George Waters	Minneapolis, MN
Dec. 19	Mary Jo Kelly	Aberdeen, SD
Dec. 20	Frank Knox	Rochester, NY
Dec. 22	Tonya Boysen	Rochester, MN
Dec. 25	Christine Cross	New Kensington, PA
	Doug Pritchard	Keewane, IL
Dec. 27	Cynthia Daube	Detroit, MI
	Sara Gilliland	Lawrence, KS
Dec. 28	Steve Sperling	St Paul, MN
Dec. 29	Glenn Miller	Mount Palatine, IL
	Jim Sloan	New York, NY

HAVE YOU??

- Signed up for bell ringing?
- Signed up to work at the basketball tournament?
- You can do this from our Web site or at upcoming meetings.
- Sent in your reservations and check for the Holiday Luncheon?

ROTARY NEWS

- We are sorry to accept with regrets resignations from **Barbara Porter** and **Neal Lloyd**. Both have been great members and we hope that in the future their work load will again allow them to rejoin our membership.
- **Darliss Huss** spent three weeks with the Red Cross to assist hurricane survivors. I'm sure she has some interesting stories to tell. We're proud of you Darliss.
- The first quarter attendance contest was won by the Rotary Risers (AGAIN). The results were the Risers: 65.01%, Rochester Rotary, 59.68% and Greater Rochester 59.60%.
- President Mike sent out several letters to members who have not been attending. Attendance is not the most important part of Rotary but if you do not attend, you have no idea what is happening in your club or meeting any of your fellow members.
- Haven't the programs been great? – three standing ovations in just a few weeks and we are a club that doesn't do this very often. There is a long list of potential programs and the committee appreciates you turning in program suggestions. Please remember though, program ideas have to be reviewed by the program committee before they can be scheduled. To have a good variety, not all suggestions will be used.
- Thanks to all who helped with the November meetings: Greeters: **Jim Sloan, Jim Fleissner, Don Sudor**. Visitors Desk: **Judith O'Fallon, Doug Pritchard**. Introduction of Visitors: **Leigh Johnson, Dave Oeth, Keri Smith**. Invocations: **Dick Edwards, Merlin Ricklefs, Tom McComb**.
- Special thanks to **Bob Priem** for filling in as Sergeant At Arms and **Jerry Balm** who helps herd members to the correct meeting room.
- Please let us know if you have difficulty with the Web site – such things as opening the calendar or linking to the member list.
- Don't forget to bring your parking ticket with you to the meeting if you park in the Kahler ramp. This needs to be stamped before you can get out of the ramp.
- You will be receiving two tickets for the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic. The cost is \$38. You can sell them, give them away or do whatever you can think of. It's important for all of us to know that all three clubs do this and if you do not pay for your tickets, the club has to pay for them. We will be sending out the January dues notice at the same time to save postage.

DECEMBER ROTARY CALENDAR

December 1	Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall District Governor Lee Finholm from Red Wing
December 8	Kahler Hotel, Elizabethan Room Brian Murphy, "Rotary and Peace Corps – Service Above Self"
December 15	Kahler Hotel, Heritage Hall Annual Holiday Luncheon Meeting starts at 11:45 – Reservations required
December 22	No Meeting
December 29	No Meeting

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

December 4	Rotary Movie Afternoon - 3 p.m. Popcorn, pizza, pop, and movie of your choice - \$10/per person. Call the office for reservations.
December 8	Rotary Board of Directors Meeting 7 a.m. - Charter House
December 14	Rotary Information Meeting 12 Noon, Mayo Brothers Room, Kahler Hotel
December 27-29	Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

STRIVE MEETINGS

December 13	John Marshall - 9:25-10:15 a.m.
December 14	Mayo HS - 9:38-10:30 a.m.
December 15	Century HS - 9:32-10:17 a.m.

- Engagement news – **Nate Johnson** is engaged to **Ann Rivas** with a wedding planned for August 26, 2006. Great news!
- Check out the Web site for the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic. It's great! Thanks to fellow Rotarian, Greater Rochester Rotary Member **Chris Berg**. You can get there by going to www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org. You can sign up to work at the tournament on this Web site.
- Be sure to check out some Holiday CDs we have available at our desk. **Matt Camrud** has his CD available for \$10 – all proceeds will go to the Rotary International Foundation. The Choral Arts Ensemble will also have their CD available and even though this is for their fund raising, they will also give a portion of the proceeds to our Rotary International Foundation.

ROCHESTER ART CENTER IS AWARDED IMPACT GRANT FROM ROTARY US BANK HOLIDAY CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

A committee made up of members from all three Rochester Rotary Clubs reviewed and selected the recipient of the grant which was then approved by all three Rotary Clubs.

Members of the committee were **Dan Nistler, Greg Woodworth**, Rochester Risers; **Sara Gilliland, Jim Clausen**, Rochester Rotary and **Bill Oehler and Jay Beck**, Greater Rochester. **Cris Fisher** represented the basketball steering committee and served as chair.

The Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic will award an impact grant for \$30,000, to be paid in three annual installments of \$10,000, to the Rochester Art Center. The project consists of the installation of three interactive, adaptable, multilingual kiosks which will offer in-depth information on exhibitions, artists, and activities as well as a companion online interface. Software development and infrastructure expenses will also be covered by the grant award.

The committee felt that this project fits all of the criteria of the project, 1 – Youth oriented – The Art Center gave over 60 tours last year to more than 1,500 school children. This project will also reach the many children who visit outside of the classroom, 2 – Locally-based, 3- Lasting Impact – these kiosks will be placed throughout the gallery (one added each year) and a plaque will be displayed on each kiosks recognizing Rochester Rotary Clubs as the donor, 4 – May qualify for matching funds – In receiving this grant the Rochester Art Center will have opportunities to leverage addition funding for its educational programs.

Other factors influencing the committee's choice were:

- 1 – Rotary would be the primary sponsor,
- 2 - The project provides great recognition for Rotary service clubs,
- 3 – The grant provides much-needed funding for the arts, and
- 4 – The project will have broad community impact.



ROCHESTERARTCENTER

FELLOW ROTARIANS RECENTLY RECEIVE AWARDS. CONGRATULATIONS!

At a Philanthropy Luncheon, **Jim Clausen** was named Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser. **Joe and Jo Gibilisco**, Outstanding Philanthropists, and the late **Dr. Robert Feldt**, the Chapter President's Award.

Jane Belau received the President's Award at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet. She was named for her service, leadership and the inspiration she has provided to the Chamber. At this same banquet, **Audrey Betcher**, was presented the Athena Award which is presented to someone who helps girls or women achieve excellence and gain balance between their professional and personal lives. She was chosen for her work with the STRIVE program and with the Leadership Greater Rochester group.

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY TO MOVE

In January, Greater Rochester Rotary will begin meeting at the Ramada Hotel (1517 16th St SW) (formerly Best Western Apache). A shuttle will be available for those who work downtown. Pick up (11:50 a.m) and drop off (1:30 p.m.) are at the west side of the Gonda Building.

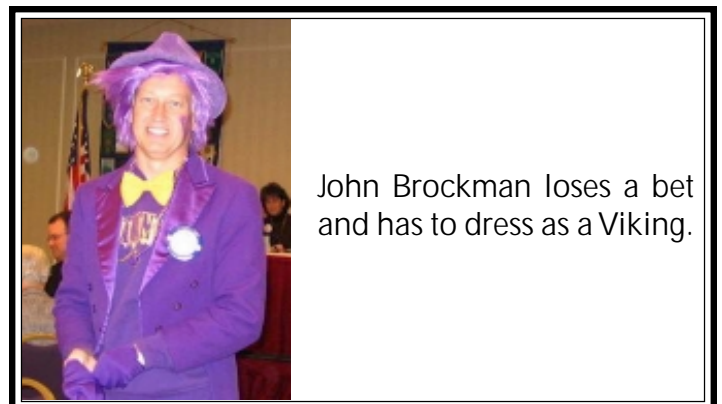
BELL RINGING DATES – SALVATION ARMY

There are still a few time slots open for bell ringing. Call or email the office or Chair **Fred Suhler** (281-5090). Dates are Saturday, December 3, 10 and 17.



WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Captain Tom McComb of the Salvation Army with sponsor Rick Lien.



John Brockman loses a bet and has to dress as a Viking.

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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

Rochester Rotary Club: www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org

Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: www.rotary5960.org

Rotary International: rotary.org

ACTIVE COMMITTEES

Four Avenues of Service
Club, Vocational, Community International

CLUB SERVICE I

Warren Harmon, Director - 538-1236

- Greeters *Rich Good*
- Membership Development *Rick Lien*
- Visitors Desk *Bari Amadio*
- Sergeant-at-Arms *John Woodruff*

CLUB SERVICE II

Brian Murphy, Director - 536-4870

- Club Bulletin *Lorie Luedke, Lois Nietz*
- Invocations *Doug Sparks*
- Programs *Karen Ricklefs*
- Public Relations *Jane Belau*
- Technology Committee *Lorie Luedke, Steve Sponsel, Phil Karsell, Lois Nietz*

CLUB SERVICE III

Dana Funk, Director - 282-9468

- Bell Ringing - Salvation Army *Fred Suhler, Rick Lien, Dana Funk*
- Golf Day *Mark Dripps, Rick Lien, Dana Funk*
- Music *Ann Beatty, Jane Belau, Matt Camrud, Linda Herrick*
- Rotary Information *Leigh Johnson*

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Laurel Schacht, Director - 288-4331

- Rotation Day *Laurel Schacht*
- STRIVE *Audrey Betcher, Laurel Schacht*
- Vocational Talks *Laurel Schacht*
- Auction 2006 *Vicki Allen*

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Vicki Allen, Director - 287-7100

- Library Host *Allan Sessler*
- Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic .. *Paul Barton, Lynn Clarey, Cris Fischer, Cal Guyer, Nate Johnson, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Mark Tasler*
- Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Laurel Schacht*
- Rotary Reading Project *Cris Fischer*
- Service Above Self Awards *Marie Maher*
- Student Guests *Keri Smith*
- Camp RYLA *Doug Rovang*

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Stacey VandenHeuvel, Director - 292-7200

- Foundational Scholarships *Linda Rings*
- Group Study Exchange Team *Gilda Banfield*
- Rotary International Foundation *Bill Nietz*
- Youth Exchange *Mike Busch, Karmen Reid*
- Gift of Life *Mary Jo Kelly*
- World Community Service *Glenn VanLaningham*