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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 247

AMBASSADORS: Bob Priem, Gulf Shore X2; Jim Sloan, Cayman Islands; Aliza Rongstad, Winona, MN. Mark Breneman, Mark Cairns, Brad Lohrbach, Nicole Pierson, eClubOne. Doug Rovang, Lois Nietz, Mike O'Fallon, Karel Weigel, Rotary District MidTerm Meeting.

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: 1/07/09: **Melissa Brinkman**, **Lynn Clarey** 1/15/09: Kim Adams, Lynn Clarey, Mike Podulke, Art Raak.

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: 1/29/09: Mike and Judith O'Fallon, John Woodruff.

At our Rotary Auction last year the Piepgras and Kelly family offered a winter outing in Northern Minnesota at the Piepgras home there. The highest bid was from Sharon Tuntland. They had their "Winter Adventure" a few weeks ago.



Dan and Mary Jo Kelly, Sharon and Al Tuntland, Jane and Dave Piepgras, Jan and Larry Tarnow, Paul Schurke of Wintergreen Dogsledding Vacations and guides Kate and Lisa.



Temperature for the outing was - 48.6 F

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BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
February 6	Danae Ostern	Rochester, MN
	Joe Gibilisco	Omaha, NE
February 10	Bob Fontana	St Louis, MN
	Doug Rovang	Eldora, IA
February 11	Larry Kent	Minot ND
February 12	Fran Kornblum	New York, NY
	Karen Ricklefs	Elmore, MN
	Jerry Schliep	Ladysmith, WI
February 13	Richard Brubaker	Macon, GA
	Jay Wangen	Spring Grove, MN
February 22	Anne Berberich	Rake, IA
February 28	Barbara Callaway	South Bend, IN
	Joe McBride	Butte, MT
February 29	Roger Kempers	Puebla, Mexico

ANNOUNCEMENT – ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR POSITION

The Rotary Club of Rochester is coming to another milestone. Lois Nietz will be retiring this summer. With this in mind we have set up a link on the Web site with information on applying for the Club's Administration Director position. Just go to www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org and click on the link. If you know of someone that would be a good candidate please give them this information. We will be accepting resumes until March 15.

ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks again to everyone who participated in the Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Our club received the Service Club of the Year Award for raising \$7,456 in 102 hours of bell ringing.
- Thanks to all who helped with the meetings in January. Invocations: Borge M. Christensen, Audrey Betcher, Jeff Amundson, Aliza Rongstad. Introduction of Visitors: Leigh Johnson, Phil Karsell, Jim Wiekamp. Visitor's Desk: Sarah Stauder, Walt Menning, John Brockman. Greeters: Glenn Lyden, James Frye, Danae Ostern, Cynthia Shaffer 4 Way Test: Steve Rossello, Mark Utz, Leon Clark, Mary Jo Kelly. Vocational Talk: Steve Courts. Meal Money Collection: James Gibson, Janice Farris.
- Please get your basketball ticket money, \$38, into the office NOW. Thanks.
- Resignations have been received by your board and accepted with regrets: O. Russell Olson, Duane Feragen, Monte Ball and Jerry Watson.

DEADLINES TO PAY ATTENTION TO

February 13 Grant applications for the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic funding

www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org

March 15 Resumes due for position of Rochester

Rotary Club Administrative Director –

www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org

April 1 Applications to club for RI Scholarships

 Ambassadorial and Peace Scholarships www.rotary.org Click on Students and

Youth.

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FEBRUARY ROTARY CALENDAR

February 5 Kahler Hotel – Heritage Hall -

Randy Doyle, "The Future of

Ethanol"

February 12 Kahler Hotel – Heritage Hall -

Kenny Rogers, "Lessons Learned Peddling 10,000 Miles Across America" Bring a Guest to Rotary Day. (Call or email if you are planning to bring someone)

February 19 Kahler Hotel – Heritage Hall -

Minnesota Supreme Court Justice

Paul Anderson, "A Historic

Moment"

February 26 Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -

Patrick Allen and Tom Currier, "Minnesota Student Energy

Project"

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

February 2 Channel One Volunteer Night -

6-8 p.m. – Mike O'Fallon, chair.

February 11 Community Food Response -

Contact Glenn Van Laningham.

February 12 Rotary Board of Directors

Meeting 7 a.m., Directors Room,

Kahler Hotel.

February 18 Rotary Information Meeting -

12 Noon, Kahler Hotel, Mayo

Brothers Room.

Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 Evening at Rochester Public

Library 6-9 p.m.

A NOTE FROM THE RISERS Make-up and Shake-it-up

Can't make your regular Rotary meeting? Take the opportunity to make up at the Risers and start your day with Rotary! The Risers meet from **7-8 am**, **Tuesdays**, **at the Hilton Garden Inn**. Though we're a small club, we're big on Rotary. The food is superb, the fellowship is great and the programs are most interesting! For more information or to check on locations changes, go to the Web site.

ELECTRONIC MAKEUPS

www.rotaryeclubone.org

NEW MEMBERS



New member Jay Wangen, Merchants Bank; proposer Chris Colby; new member Dan Borgmeier, Access Commercial Real Estate; proposer Dana Funk.



Proposer Karel Weigel and new former member Susan Ahlquist, Mayo Clinic.



Proposer Brad Jones; new member Teresa Miller, Kahler Grand HoteL; new former member Tutti Harrington; proposer Allie Good.



New member Bob Bock, Gamehaven Council Boy Scouts. Bob was proposed by Jerry Downes.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS: INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLY - JANUARY 26, 2009

As 530 district governors-elect depart from the 2009 International Assembly in San Diego, California , they leave with a big responsibility. The future of Rotary and its legacy of doing good in the world have been placed squarely in their hands.

But they leave armed with the resources needed to carry out their responsibilities: renewed energy, enthusiasm, a heightened sense of empowerment in leading their clubs in fulfilling the 2009-2010 RI theme, **The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands**.

They also go home encouraged that one of Rotary's longest-standing campaigns has received a big boost with the infusion of \$635 million into the global effort to eradicate polio: a new \$255 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation announced by Bill Gates at the assembly, an additional \$100 million Rotary will match over the next three years, which is part of the \$200 Million Challenge grant – as well as a combined \$280 million pledged by the governments of Germany and the United Kingdom that does not count toward the money to be raised for the Gates Foundation matching grant.

During the week, incoming district governors were challenged by RI President-elect John Kenny to continue working for the health and well-being of children and their families everywhere through the emphases of water, health and hunger, and literacy.

RI President Don Kum Lee reminded participants that membership is critical to the future of the organization. He encouraged districts to achieve Kenny's goals of a minimum net membership increase of one member per club, a retention rate of 80 percent, and the addition of at least one new club per district.

Lee also noted that diversity is important to membership growth. An example of that diversity is incoming governor Leanna Jaggs of District 9920, which covers part of New Zealand and seven other South Pacific nations and territories. Overall, 50 district governors-elect are women. She and her husband brought their nine-month-son to the assembly with her father, a past district governor, to stress the importance of family in Rotary.

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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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PRESIDENT: Doug Rovang

PRESIDENT -ELECT: Dana Funk

PRESIDENT NOMINEE: Karel Weigel

SECRETARY: Jerry Williams
TREASURER: Mary Jo Kelly
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ROTARY DISTRICT 5960 GOVERNOR

Roy Sjoberg, Hudson Daybreak

ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

Vicki Decker, Assistant Governor, Winona

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

Audrey Betcher, Director

Greeters	Steve Rossello
Membership Development	Dana Funk
Visitors Desk	Dianna Parks
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Woodruff
Mentors	Bill Wiktor

CLUB SERVICE II

Dan O'Neil, Director

Club Bulletin	Lorie Luedke, Lois Nietz
Club Web Site	Lorie Luedke
Invocations	Anne Berberich
Programs	Warren Harmon
Public Relations	Karel Weigel
Four-Way Test	Jerry Lobland

CLUB SERVICE III

Ann Beatty, Director

Bell Ringing - Salvation Army	y Paul Bleimeyer, Fred Suhler
Golf Day	Mark Dripps
Music	Jane Belau
Rotary Information	Leigh Johnson
Progressive Dinner	Karen Ricklefs, Marilyn Stewart

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Linda Bonow, Director

Rotation Day	Linda Bonow
STRIVE	Linda Herrick
Vocational Talks	Fred Banfield
Auction 2010	Lorie Luedke

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Stacy Sinner, Director

Library Host	Allan Sessler
Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic	Laurel Schacht
Quarry Hill Fall Festival	Carla Nelson
Rotary Reading Project	Cris Fischer
Rotary Summer Reading Project	Cris Fischer
Service Above Self Awards	Cresta Deeds
Student Guests	Allie Good
Camp RYLA	Jay Toogood
White Oaks Park	Ashok Patel
Community Food Response	Glenn VanLaningham
Rotary Flood Project	Dan Kelly
Channel One	Mike O'Fallon

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Karmen Reid, Director

Foundational Scholarships	Dave Moertel
Group Study Exchange Team	
Rotary International Foundation	n <i>Kim Adams</i>
YouthLINC	Vicki Allen
Rotary Gift of Life	Betty Devine, Brenda Walker
World Community Service	Judith O'Fallon