

"A Local Service Club with a Global Impact - Offering Leadership and Support to our Community and Beyond"



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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 203

DECEMBER ATTENDANCE: 53.59%

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: Lynn Clarey

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: Bill Wiktor

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: Emil Koretzky

RESIGNATIONS: Tom Bruckman, Tom Claymon

NEW MEMBERS: Martha Cashman, Mark Neville

NEW ROTARY BASKETBALL COURT AT MAYO CIVIC CENTER AUDITORIUM



Rotary leadership, members of the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic steering committee, community leaders, and Mayo Civic Center staff recently gathered to view the new Mayo Civic Center Auditorium basketball court painted with the Rotary logo and "Rotary Clubs of Rochester" markings. The three Rochester Rotary clubs are contributing \$40,000 over four years toward the purchase of the court as a community impact project using proceeds from the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic basketball tournament.

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
February 1	Armin Budimlic	Bosnia
	Joe Messick	Wilmington, DE
February 3	Wendy Shannon	Grand Rapids, MN
	Milt Tostrud	Albert Lea, MN
February 6	Danae Ostern	Rochester, MN
	Joe Gibilisco	Omaha, NE
February 8	Phet Saysomphou	Laos
February 10	Bob Fontana	St Louis, MN
	Doug Rovang	Eldora, IA
February 12	Karen Ricklefs	Elmore, MN
	Jerry Schliep	Ladysmith, WI
February 13	Richard Brubaker	Macon, GA
February 22	Anne Berberich	Rake, IA
February 23	Diane Ilstrup	Carroll, IA
February 29	Roger Kempers	Puebla, Mexico

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



Happy
109th
Birthday,
Rotary!

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Weekly Meetings

- February 6** Windsor Hall, The Kahler Grand Hotel, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., "Rotary Group Study Exchange to Czech Republic and Slovakia" presented by Hudson Rotarian Rob Howard
- February 13** Heritage Hall, The Kahler Grand Hotel, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., "Rochester's Present and Future Water Supply" presented by Rotarian Doug Rovang
- February 20** Heritage Hall, The Kahler Grand Hotel, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., "All About the Heart" presented by Bill Edwards
- February 27** Heritage Hall, The Kahler Grand Hotel, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., "World Community Service Projects Update" presented by Rotarians Don Fell, Alex Ball, Ashok Patel, and Cris Fischer

February Rotary Anniversaries

Dave Piepgras	1 year
Hugh Smith	1 year
Michon Rogers	3 years
Tank Sholem	3 years
Josef Chlachula	5 years
James Frye	6 years
Jason Boynton	7 years
Jeff Amundson	8 years
Kay Hocker	8 years
Carla Nelson	9 years
Audrey Betcher	13 years
Tom Sitzer	14 years
Allie Good	17 years



Other Meetings & Events

- February 3** Channel One Service Location: Channel One Building 6:00-8:00 pm
- February 10** Salvation Army Dinner Service, Salvation Army Building, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- February 11** Rotary Club of Rochester Board Meeting, OMC Foundation Offices, 7:00-8:00 a.m.
- February 11** STRIVE Meeting at JM, Rocket Center, 8:10-9:10 a.m.
- February 12** STRIVE Meeting at Mayo, Spartan Room, 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- February 12** Community Food Response Service, Bethel Lutheran Church, 1:15-6:45 p.m.
- February 13** STRIVE Meeting at Century, The Forum, 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- February 13** Guys Read, Boys and Girls Club at Rochester Public Library, 6:15-7 pm
- February 14** Guys Read, Riverside Elementary, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- February 19** Guys Read, Franklin Elementary, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- February 19** Rotary Information Meeting, Aspen Suites Conference Room, 12:00-1:30 p.m.
- February 26** Wine Down Wednesday, 5:00 p.m., Jabbers

Thanks to all who helped with the January meetings:
 Greeters: Milt Tostrud, Jen Woodford, Danae Ostern, Judith O'Fallon, Stacey Vanden Heuvel, Dennis Nigon, Suzanne Dinusson
 Cashier: Steve Courts, Janice Domke, Danae Ostern, Sergeant-at-Arms: John Woodruff, Visitors Desk: Randy Fett, Mark Barebo, Lois Nietz, Amy Eich, Music: Ann Beatty, Invocations: Richard Brubaker, Caroline Baihly, Vicki Allen, Jim Sloan, Four Way Test: Tank Sholem, Mark Dripps, Cris Fischer, Jen Woodford, Introduction of Visitors: Leigh Johnson, Phil Karsell, Rick Lien, Presenters: Michael McGoon, Donald Hensrud, Matthew Dacy, Elaine Case, Bill Wiktor.



"LIKE" THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER!

WELCOME NEW ROTARY MEMBERS!



Returning Rotarian Mark Neville with sponsor Chris Colby.



New Rotarian Martha Cashman with sponsor Timothy Geisler.

**Howdy
pardners!**

Wrangle up
your friends
and guests
and meet
us at...



The Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation Auction

Rochester International Event Center

Thursday, April 17, 2014

Silent Auction: 5pm-7pm

Social Hour: 5pm-6pm

Dinner: 6pm-7pm

**LIVE Auction
to follow dinner!**

More information coming soon...

Rotary



Support Rotary programs
such as Youth Exchange,
Polio Plus, Fast for
Hope, STRIVE, Rotary
Scholarships and
World Community
Service projects

Buffet Style Dinner

*Menu items
to be decided*





The Holiday Classic steering committee recommended the Rotary clubs assist with the MCC project after the 2012 Holiday Classic tournament. Mayo Civic Center had been looking at replacing both the Auditorium and Taylor Arena courts, and committee members felt the project benefited both Rotary and the community. Displaying the Rotary logo center court provides the clubs greater public awareness. The old Auditorium court will replace the existing "St. Paul" court previously used for B-squad play in the Exhibit Hall during our annual tournament and beginning to be considered "unsafe" for game play.

The community at large will see the basketball courts for the first time during the sub-section boys' basketball tournament starting February 24. Watch for additional information about the opportunity to be part of a gathering to be held at the start of that event. Rotarians will formally reveal the courts to the community on that date.

Rotarians, it may be time to work on your answer to the question "What is Rotary?," because there may be many more community members asking. Rotary Club of Rochester Information Officer and Past President Leigh Johnson tells prospective Rotarians during our information meetings that Rotarians are often "Quiet people doing big things in quiet ways." Well, now may be an opportunity to speak up and share some of those big things with our community members.



INDIA CELEBRATES THREE YEARS WITHOUT POLIO

In February 2012, The Rotary Club of Rochester projected the "End Polio Now" image on the side of the Siebens building, downtown Rochester, to celebrate Rotary's birthday and the Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio worldwide. Great progress has been made toward this end, and lightings continue to all over the world to honor Rotarians' work. India recently displayed a different illumination to celebrate the progress Rotary has made toward the eradication of polio.



Photo courtesy of Post Bulletin, Rochester, MN

"Throughout India and around the world, Rotary clubs are celebrating a major milestone: India has gone three years without a new case of polio. The last reported case was a two-year-old girl in West Bengal on 13 January 2011.

To mark this historic triumph -- reached after a decades-long battle against polio -- Rotary clubs illuminated landmarks and iconic structures throughout the country with four simple but powerful words, "India is polio free."



"India is polio free" (written in Hindi) illuminates Jodhpur Sojati Gate in Rajasthan, India. Photo Credit: Courtesy of the India PolioPlus Committee. Dan Nixon, Rotary News, 13-Jan-2014.

The three-year achievement sets the stage for polio-free certification of the entire Southeast Asia region by the World Health Organization. The Indian government also plans to convene a polio summit in February to commemorate this victory in the global effort to eradicate polio.

The challenge now is to replicate India's success in neighboring Pakistan, one of three remaining polio-endemic countries, along with Afghanistan and Nigeria.

Rotary leaders in India are working with their Pakistani counterparts to share best practices and lessons learned during India's successful anti-polio campaign. Rotary was particularly effective in obtaining the support of influential religious leaders in India's Islamic communities. Pakistani Rotary leaders are playing a similar role to counter rumors and misinformation about polio vaccinations that keep some Muslim parents from immunizing their children.

Meanwhile, National Immunization Days continue in both countries. During these large-scale drives, Rotary volunteers join health workers to vaccinate every child under age five against polio.

"We must now stop polio in Pakistan to both protect Pakistani children and to safeguard our success in India and other countries where we have beaten this terrible disease," says India PolioPlus Committee Chair Deepak Kapur. "Until polio is finally eradicated globally, all unvaccinated children will remain at risk of infection and paralysis, no matter where they live."

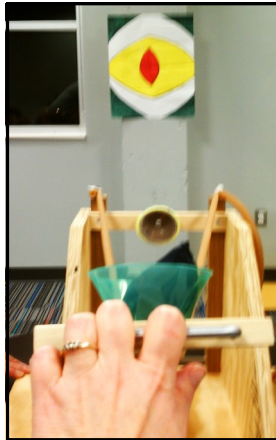
The Rotary Club of Rochester 2013-14 Club Progress to Goals

CATEGORY	2013-14 GOALS	As of February 1, 2014
Membership <i>(Began Rotary year with 203)</i>	210	203
Rotary International Foundation Annual Program Fund	\$12,000	\$4,060 (34% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	8%
Polio Plus <i>(from Auction proceeds and individual donations)</i>	\$2,500	\$2,790 (111% of goal)
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project <i>(from Auction proceeds)</i>	\$1,000	\$1,000 (100% of goal)

LOVING LITERACY

The Rotary Club of Rochester and the "Guys Read" literacy program

The most recent literacy project of The Rotary Club of Rochester is the support of Rochester Public Library's Guys Read program. The club made a donation of \$1500, and Rotarians are now giving vocational service time to assist with the program.



Introducing Rotarian Kathryn Lombardo

I was raised in Brookings, SD, and graduated from Lake Forest College with a biology and chemistry degree. I returned to South Dakota and completed medical school at the University of South Dakota.



My husband, Phil, and I relocated to Rochester in 1987, where I completed a residency in Psychiatry at the Mayo Clinic. I have been employed at Olmsted Medical Center since 1994 as an adult psychiatrist. I was Department Chair of the Psychiatry and Psychology Department for 14 years and in July 2013, assumed the position of President of Olmsted Medical Center. I continue a part-time clinical practice at OMC.

I have been married to my husband, Phil Lombardo, for almost thirty years. We have a son and daughter-in-law, Christopher and Nadia, who live in Minneapolis and a son, Matthew, who lives in Chicago. I enjoy hobbies of cooking and traveling.



"Fear and Hate Must Go! And they will go when nations have goodwill based on understanding."

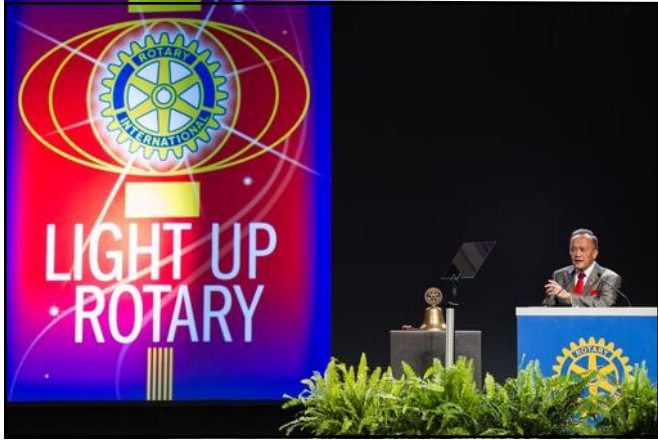
- the world's first Rotarian, Paul P. Harris, Founder and President Emeritus of Rotary International

HUANG ENCOURAGES CLUB MEMBERS TO 'LIGHT UP ROTARY'

By Daniela Garcia, Rotary News, 13-Jan-2014

RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang chose Light Up Rotary as his theme for 2014-15. Huang was inspired by the teachings of Chinese philosopher Confucius who said: "It is better to light a single candle, than to sit and curse the darkness."

"There are so many problems in the world, so many people who need help. Many people say, 'There's nothing I can do.' So they sit there doing nothing. Meanwhile everything stays dark," Huang told the 537 district governors and their spouses and partners who are attending the 2014 International Assembly in San Diego, California.



"The Rotary way is the Confucius way. The Rotary way is to light a candle. I light one, you light one, 1.2 million Rotarians light one. Together, we light up the world," said Huang, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Taipei in Taiwan.

After announcing his theme at the opening session of the five-day training meeting, Huang urged club members to Light Up Rotary in the coming year by hosting a Rotary Day in their community and including local Rotaract and Interact members in their service projects.

"How you Light Up Rotary is up to you," Huang said. "You know where you are strong, you know what your community needs, and you know how you can help."

Huang also shared his membership development goals, including the need for more women and young adults and his goal to increase membership to a total of 1.3 million members. He asked Rotarians to invite their spouses, family members, and friends to join Rotary.

"We need to assume leadership for building strong clubs, and that starts with bringing in new members," he said.

Addressing the status of the fight against polio, Huang noted that with the current momentum Rotary is on track to achieve full polio eradication by 2018.

"When we eradicate polio — and we will — we will have proved ourselves an organization capable of great things. And we'll be even better equipped for the next challenge we choose to take on. We'll have given the world a gift that will endure forever," he said.

By continuing to fight against polio, setting an example in local communities, and growing membership, Huang hopes to see Rotary shine brighter than ever.

"Light Up Rotary is our theme, but it is more than our theme. It is how we live in Rotary, how we think in Rotary, how we feel, how we work," Huang said. "It is how we make a difference — every day, in every club, every district, and every country where we serve."

- ◆ Keynote Speakers Include: Rick King, Marcy Ullom, and David Acouth
- ◆ Networking with other District Rotarians
- ◆ Pre-conference reception Thursday night at Harvest Grill at Bunkers Hills Golf Club
- ◆ Sessions on effective use of social media, marketing, and recruitment
- ◆ District Assembly
- ◆ Opportunity Café
- ◆ Annual Meeting
- ◆ Grant Workshop, and more

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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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 Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic
 District 5960: www.rotary5960.org
 Rotary International: www.rotary.org

ROTARY COMMITTEES

CLUB SERVICE I

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Greeters.....*Colin Aldis*
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 Rotary Information Officer*Leigh Johnson*
 Visitors Desk *Kathy Lessard*
 Sergeant-at-Arms..... *John Woodruff*
 Mentors *Milt Tostrud*

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Club Bulletin *Elizabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke*
 Club Web Site & Social Networking
Elizabeth Karsell, Brian Welke
 Invocations *Bill Wiktor*
 Programs *David Harbert, Leigh Johnson*
 Public Relations *Bill Wiktor*
 Four-Way Test*Steve Sponsel*

CLUB SERVICE III

Anne Berberich, Director

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

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Steve Courts, Director

Rotary Scholarships*Steve Courts*
 Group Study Exchange Team *Maria Brown*
 Rotary International Foundation *Lorie Luedke*
 Youth Exchange *Cris Fischer*
 Rotary Gift of Life*Betty Devine*
 World Community Service*Judith O’Fallon*

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Fred Suhler, Director

Camp RYLA *Dana Funk, Diane Ilstrup*
 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

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 Community Food Response *Phil Karsell*
 Library Hosts*Mary Jo Kelly*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Steve Sponsel*
 Rotary Bell Ringing for Salvation Army ..*Fred Suhler*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic*Lynn Clarey,*
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Bill Nietz, Marv Ramsay, Doug Rovang,
Laurel Schacht, Steve Stenhaug, Lorrie Swancutt,
Jen Woodford
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 Service Above Self Awards*Cresta Valentine*
 Student Guests *Sara Gilliland*
 White Oaks Park*Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*