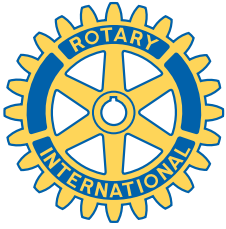


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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 239

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: Tank Sholem, John Woodruff

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: Barbara Hight-Randall, Brian Younge, Marilyn Stewart

RESIGNATIONS: Art Raak and Mark Neville

Proposed 2012-13 Rotary Board of Directors approved

At the December 8, 2011, meeting of the general membership of The Rotary Club of Rochester, Rotarians voted to approve the following members as incoming directors of the 2012-2013 board: President-Elect Nominee: Paul Barton, Treasurer: Ray Johnson, Secretary: Caroline Baihly, Director of Club Service I: Sue Johnson, Director of Club Service III: Anne Berberich and Director of Community Service: Diane Ilstrup. Continuing their terms on the board in 2012-13 are: Director of Club Service II: Bill Wiktor, Director of International Service: Cris Fischer, Director of Vocational Service: Linda Herrick, Past President: Mark Dripps, President-elect: Vicki Allen and President: Lorie Luedke.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
January 5	Jerry Lobland	Preston, MN
January 6	Tim Geisler	
January 7	Margaret Hinz	Rochester, MN
January 9	Mike Muñoz	Lexington, NE
January 10	Steve Courts	Minneapolis, MN
January 11	Rod Anderson	Breckenridge, MN
January 19	Nancy Brataas	Minneapolis, MN
January 20	Cresta Valentine	Colorado
January 24	Walt Menning	LaSalle, IL
January 25	Kathy Lessard	Osage IA
January 25	Sheldon Sheps	Winnipeg, Canada
January 25	Herbert Reiman	Riverside CA
January 27	Robert Bleimeyer	Wyoming
January 27	Sarah Stauder	Milwaukee, WI
January 31	Rick Sheldon	Rockford, IL

New Members Inducted



L-R: Rotarians Leigh Johnson proposed Mike Muñoz, Susan Ahlquist proposed Pam Meyer, Jennifer Woodford proposed by Rick Lien at the December 8 new member induction ceremony.

Major Donor award presented



Mark and Sheryl Tasler (center) receive a Major Donor award on December 1 from Past President Karel Weigel and Major Donor Leigh Johnson.

ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks to all who helped with the December meetings:
 Greeters: **Audrey Betcher, Vicki Allen, Mary Jo Kelly, Harriet Hodgson, Jim Sloan and Kathy Lessward.**
 Invocations: **Steve Courts, Jim Sloan and Jerry Mahon.**
 Introduction of Visitors: **Leigh Johnson and Jerry Downes.** Four Way Test: **Judith O'Fallon, Dan Kelly and Walt Menning.** Visitors Desk: **Don Scholz, John Brandrup, Michael Homan and Betty Devine.** Cashier: **Janice Farris, Jim Wiekamp and Bert Reiman.**
 Presenters: **Tim Penny, Carla Nelson, Joanne Martin and Tim Hildebrandt.**



January Rotary Anniversaries

Bert Reiman	1 year
Steven Stenhaus	1 year
Phet Saysomphou	2 years
Susan Ahlquist	3 years +
Gregory Stavrou	4 years
Tim Sitzer	4 years
Todd Villeneuve	5 years
Richard Brubaker	5 years
Frank Streit	7 years
Nick Kolas	7 years
Karmen Reid	11 years
Caroline Baihly	11 years
Lorie Luedke	15 years
Michael Homan	16 years
Mark Cairns	17 years
Mike O'Fallon	19 years
Cynthia Daube	20 years
Judith Taylor	24 years
Lynn Clarey	31 years
Paul Olander	36 years
Robert Priem	37 years
Jim Woodruff	37 years
John Woodruff	37 years



JANUARY ROTARY CALENDAR

- January 5** **Kahler Hotel - Windsor Hall - "Heart Disease,"** Dr. Kopecky
- January 12** **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.* "Rotary Nicaragua Trip,"** Pat Stallman
- January 19** **Kahler Hotel - Windsor Hall - 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.* "Mississippi National River and Recreation Area,"** Paul Labovitz
- January 26** **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.* "Running in Treatment: Personal Best,"** Cynthia Cycon

* Please note meeting time change.

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- January 11** **Rotary Board of Directors' Meeting - 7:00 -8:00 a.m.,** The Kahler Grand Hotel, Directors Room
- January 11** **Community Food Response - 1:15-6:45 p.m .,** Bethel Lutheran Church - Contact Glen VanLanningham or Phil Karsell
- January 18** **Rotary Information Meeting - 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. -** The Kahler Grand Hotel, Mayo Brothers Room
- January 23** **Salvation Army Dinner - 5:45-7:00 p.m. -** Salvation Army Building

TIME CHANGE FOR THURSDAY MEETINGS

In response to the preference of the majority of member interest survey respondents, the Thursday meeting time of The Rotary Club of Rochester will change beginning Thursday, January 12, 2012. The buffet lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m., lunch will continue and the business meeting will take place 12:00 to 12:30 p.m., and the program will be presented 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. The board of directors hopes this change will allow more members to attend meetings and benefit from our quality programs.



2011 ROTARY US BANK HOLIDAY CLASSIC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Rochester Rotary clubs hosted the 24th Annual Holiday Classic at the Mayo Civic Center on December 27-29, 2011. Over 100 volunteer shifts were filled by local Rotarians, and members of the steering committee spent countless hours working on the tournament. The Minnesota Army National Guard participated as a bronze sponsor and staffed the event to greet and educate citizens. Thirty-two teams from 16 area schools competed for championship titles.

All games, both varsity and B-squad, were held at the Mayo Civic Center. Volunteers, participants, and fans appreciated being able to move easily through the skyway

system to Mayo Civic Center and being able to move quickly from game to game. Many fans arrived to support one team and stayed to cheer for another.

Teams competed to win, overtime was played, and games were won by a single point. Ultimately, Providence Academy became the girls varsity champions, Osseo the boys varsity champions, Lakeville North the girls B-squad champions, and Lakeville South the boys B-squad champions. It was another successful year of basketball and fun all in the name of raising funds for the youth of community!



Site Coordinator Richard Hurt and Rotarian Laurel Schacht working the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic.



Rotarians Amanda Mallinger-Reinartz & Krystal Ohlhaber selling tickets at the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic.



Members of the Minnesota Army National Guard greeting fans at the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic.

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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL ROTARY US BANK HOLIDAY CLASSIC!

Grant applications will be available soon

The 24th Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic basketball tournament was a success once again. Final figures are being tallied. To date (not including this year's tournament) we have awarded \$700,040. Thanks to everyone who volunteered during the tournament! The youth of Rochester will be the real winners.



The grant application is available on our Web site – www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org If you know of a group or organization that would be interested in applying for a grant, please get in touch with them.

Criteria for grants: 1) youth-related or 2) education-oriented, 3) Rochester-based, and 4) have a demonstrated need.

The grant selection committee consists of two members from the basketball steering committee and the community service directors from each of the Rochester Rotary clubs. Grants will be awarded at an all-club meeting held in the March/April timeframe.

ROTARY AND UNESCO-IHE JOIN FORCES TO EDUCATE WATER PROFESSIONALS

Rotary and the UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education are teaming up to tackle the world's water and sanitation crisis by increasing the ranks of trained professionals critically needed to devise, plan, and implement solutions in developing countries that bear the brunt of the problem.

Through this new strategic partnership, The Rotary Foundation will provide grants to Rotary clubs and districts to select and sponsor eight students each year for scholarships to any of three 18-month Master of Science degree programs at UNESCO-IHE, a United Nations institute in Delft, The Netherlands, that is the world's largest



postgraduate water education facility. The school's scholarship-eligible programs are Municipal Water and Infrastructure; Water Management; and Water Science and Engineering.

"This strategic partnership with UNESCO-IHE enables Rotary to work with a globally-recognized leader in the training of water professionals at a time when such experts are desperately needed in many parts of the world," said Rotary Foundation Chair William B. Boyd. "By identifying high-quality, high-potential candidates for these scholarships, Rotary clubs will help the countries most impacted by the water and sanitation crisis increase their capacity to identify and implement solutions. It is a strategic, long-term investment with long-term benefits."

"We are delighted to have this new cooperation with Rotary. The task ahead is no less than training the next generation of water leaders to be equipped to deal with the enormous water challenges ahead in the coming decades," said Prof. András Szöllösi-Nagy, UNESCO-IHE's Rector. "The water crisis, compounded with climate variability impacts, is looming. The cooperation with Rotary is an important milestone in the large scale, global capacity-building required to tackle this crisis."

According to a joint report by the World Health Organization and UNICEF, about 2.5 billion people

worldwide do not have access to improved sanitation facilities. About 884 million obtain water for drinking, cooking, and washing from unprotected sources. Waterborne diseases such as diarrhea, cholera, typhoid, and dysentery, claim nearly 2 million lives a year, most of them children under age five. The continuous task of fetching water keeps millions of people, especially women and girls, from going to school and holding productive jobs. Improved water and sanitation is key to achieving all eight Millennium Development Goals set by the United Nations.

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, under its new Future Vision plan, seeks to forge strategic partnerships with established organizations with expertise in Rotary's six areas of focus, one of which is water and sanitation. The other focus areas are peace and conflict prevention/resolution; disease prevention and treatment; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and economic and community development. The foundation grants support major international projects with sustainable, high impact outcomes. UNESCO-IHE scholarship grants are available only to clubs in the 100 Rotary districts piloting Future Vision until the plan is fully implemented July 1, 2013.

UNESCO-IHE is a United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization "category I" institute and is owned by all the UNESCO member states. Its mandate is to strengthen and mobilize the global educational and knowledge base for integrated water resources management, and contribute to meeting the water-related capacity building needs of developing countries and countries in transition.

ROTARY DISTRICT 5960 GOVERNOR NOMINEE DESIGNATE

Gary Campbell, from the Anoka Rotary Club, has been selected for the position of District Governor Nominee Designate. He will be presented at the Annual Business Meeting of District 5960 on April 13, 2012 for confirmation as the nominee for District Governor for the year 2014-2015.



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 Youth Protection Officer *Kim Adams, Aaron Johnson*

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 Library Hosts *Mary Jo Kelly*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Barbara Porter*
 Rotary Bell Ringing for Salvation Army *Fred Suhler*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic *Lynn Clarey, Lorie Luedke, Lois Nietz, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht*
 Service Above Self Awards *Cresta Valentine*
 Student Guests *Sara Gilliland*
 White Oaks Park *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*