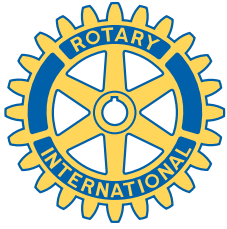


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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 210

NOVEMBER ATTENDANCE: 49.72%

AMBASSADORS (Meetings outside of Rochester):
Diane Ilstrup, Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise (HI)

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: **Lynn Clarey**,
Tank Sholem

ROTARY RISERS: **Judith O'Fallon**, **John Woodruff**

eCLUB: **Sarah Burrington**

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: **Gilda Banfield**, **Cris Fischer**, **Ray Johnson**, **Sue Johnson**, **Pam Meyer**, **Carla Nelson**, **Marilyn Stewart**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
January 4	Wes Duellman	
January 5	Jerry Lobland	Preston, MN
January 6	Timothy 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 20	Cresta Valentine	Colorado
January 24	Walt Menning	LaSalle, IL
January 25	Kathy Lessard	Osage, IA
	Bert Reiman	Riverside, CA

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

2013-2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Members of the Rotary Club of Rochester were presented and approved the following Rotarians to serve on the board during the next Rotary year:

President - **Vicki Allen**

Past President - **Lorie Luedke**

President Elect - **Paul Barton**

President Elect Nominee - **Paul Tieskoetter**

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Treasurer - **Danae Ostern**

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Director of Club Service II - **Teresa Blythe**

Director of Club Service III - **Anne Berberich**

Director of International Service - **Steve Courts**

Director of Vocational Service - **Fred Suhler**

Director of Community Service - **Diane Ilstrup**

ROTARY DUES AND HOLIDAY CLASSIC TICKETS

Please send payments for your Holiday Classic tickets and the second half of this year's Rotary dues to the Rotary office before the end of January, if you haven't yet paid. The office mailing address is TRCR, PO Box 7566, Rochester, MN 55903-7566. Your prompt payment helps save club resources.

George Allen, our most recent Paul Harris Fellow recipient



Congratulations and thank you to Paul Harris Fellow recipient **George Allen**, a Paul Harris plus four.

ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks to all who helped with the December meetings.
 Greeters: **George Allen, Vicki Allen, Tank Sholem, Dana Funk, Jim Sloan, Kathy Lessard**; Cashier: **Jen Woodford, Janice Domke**; Visitors Desk: **Steve Courts, Steve Rossello**; Music: **Maury Hagen, Ann Beatty**; Invocations: **Cris Fischer, Bill Wiktor, Phil Karsell**; Four Way Test: **Mark Dripps, John Edmonson, Vicki Allen**; Introduction of Visitors: **Leigh Johnson, Phil Karsell**; Presenters: Chris Worthington, Darrel Hildebrandt, Diana Parks and Kevin Kleist.

ROTARY eCLUB ONE
www.rotaryclubone.org/

January Rotary Anniversaries

Colin Aldis	1 year
Maury Hagen	1 year
Mark Noble	1 year
Bert Reiman	2 years
Steve Stenhaus	2 years
Phet Saysomphou	3 years
Susan Ahlquist	4 years
Tim Sitzer	5 years
Greg Stavrou	5 years
Todd Villeneuve	6 years
Richard Brubaker	6 years
Nick Kolas	8 years
Frank Streit	8 years
Caroline Baihly	12 years
Karmen Reid	12 years
Lorie Luedke	16 years
Michael Homan	17 years
Mike O'Fallon	20 years
Cynthia Daube	21 years
Judith Taylor	25 years
Lynn Clarey	32 years
Paul Olander	37 years
Bob Priem	38 years
Jim Woodruff	38 years
John Woodruff	38 years



JANUARY ROTARY CALENDAR

- January 3** **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall** - 11:30 am - 1 pm, "Mom, Dad...Can We Talk - Insight and Perspective to Help Us Do What's Best for Our Aging Parents," Dick Edwards, Author, Speaker, and Past President, Rotary Club of Rochester.
- January 10** **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall** - 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, "Blues Music Awards," Sena Ehrhardt.
- January 17** **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall** - 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, "35W Bridge Collapse," Kreg Kaufman.
- January 24** **Kahler Hotel - Windsor Hall** - "Cambodia Wash Project," Joanne Rosener, Rochester Rotary Risers.
- January 31** **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall** - Program by Merlin Ricklefs and Rotary Youth Exchange student Niraj Rajput.

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- January 7** **Channel One Service**, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Channel One Building
- January 9** **Board of Directors Meeting** - 7:00-8:00 a.m., Karsell home
- January 9** **Community Food Response**, 1:15-6:45 p.m., Bethel Lutheran Church
- January 14** **Salvation Army Dinner Service**, 5:45-7:00 p.m., Salvation Army Building
- January 15** **STRIVE, John Marshall High School**, 8:10 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.
- January 16** **STRIVE, Mayo High School**, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- January 17** **STRIVE, Century High School**, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- January 23** **Rotary Information Meeting**, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m., Custom Alarm Conference Room
- January 28** **Salvation Army Dinner Service**, 5:45-7:00 p.m., Salvation Army Building
- January 30** **STRIVE Grub Night**, 5:30 p.m. - Quarry Hill

2012 Salvation Army Bell Ringing Concludes

Thank you Rotarians for volunteering!



Pictured are a few of the many Rotarians, family, and friends who rang bells in December.

Upper Left: **Tom Bruckman**

Upper Right: **Steve Rossello** and **Fred Suhler**

Above: **Laurel Schacht** and family

Middle Right: **Sue Dripps** and her husband **Dave**

Lower Right: **Phet Saysomphou** and family

INDIA COUNTED AS POLIO FREE

An excerpt from "Top 5 Rotary stories of 2012," By Arnold R. Grahl, Rotary News — 21 December 2012

The year got off to an exciting start in January when India marked a year without a new case of polio. By February, the World Health Organization had removed India from the list of endemic countries....

After going an entire year without a new reported case of polio, India was removed from the list of polio-endemic countries by the World Health Organization (WHO). Ghulam Nabi Azad, India's minister of Health and Family Welfare, made the announcement at the Polio Summit 2012 in New Delhi on 25 February.

The news was a huge boost to the morale of Rotarians, who have been laboring to eradicate the crippling disease since 1985. Only three countries — Nigeria, Pakistan, and Afghanistan — remain on the polio-endemic list.

A chief contributor to India's success is the widespread use of the bivalent oral polio vaccine, which is effective against both remaining types of the poliovirus. Another is rigorous monitoring, which has helped reduce the number of children missed by health workers during National Immunization Days to less than 1 percent, according to WHO. The lessons learned in India may well serve to help immunization efforts in the remaining endemic countries.

In May, Rotarians at the RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, celebrated Rotary's having exceeded the US\$200 Million Challenge for polio eradication efforts. The challenge was Rotary's response to \$355 million in matching grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

But the work is far from complete, because worldwide eradication has not yet been achieved. Later in the year,

Rotary launched an online petition drive to urge government leaders to continue funding the Global Polio Eradication Initiative's efforts. And in October, RI launched the World's Biggest Commercial, which enables people visiting the new End Polio Now website to add their photo and join the effort to make history.

2013 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

This year the Rotary International Convention is in Lisbon, Portugal. What an opportunity to travel to Europe, meet your International Rotary friends and become inspired by amazing speakers.



The time is now to register. There are already several people in the District registered and this will be great fun. The dates are June 23-26, 2013, and you can visit the Web site at www.riconvention.org. While at the Web site, check out the **Plan Your Visit** page for helpful hints on getting to and staying in Lisbon. You must be registered through "member access" at www.rotary.org to register for the convention.

Hope to have a great gathering of District 5960 Rotarians to celebrate our Rotary successes.

The Rotary Club of Rochester 2012-13 Club Progress to Goals

CATEGORY	2012-13 GOALS	As of December 2012
Membership (<i>Began Rotary year with 215</i>)	240	210
Rotary Foundation - Annual Program Fund	\$12,000	\$4,260.75 (36% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	13%
Polio Plus (<i>from Auction proceeds</i>)	\$2,500	\$2,500
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project (<i>from Auction proceeds</i>)	\$1,000	\$1,000

25th ANNIVERSARY ROTARY US BANK HOLIDAY CLASSIC

2012 was an especially exciting Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic tournament year as we celebrated 25 years of basketball and giving. The tournament concluded with special recognition and excitement as Rochester's John Marshall boys prepared to take on the Woodbury team before a large and enthusiastic crowd. Original Holiday Classic committee members were introduced and several player records were announced, including a new girls' all time leading tournament scorer, John Marshall's Jamie Ruden, with 82 points. In the end Woodbury's boys and Providence Academy's girls went home with Championship trophies.



Thank you to all the tournament participants: coaches, players, managers, Rotarians, and fans! Through your support, the Rochester Rotary clubs are able to raise money and provide grants. As determined by members of the first tournament committee, "Since students are our medium to raise funds, it is essential that all net proceeds be returned to young people in some form." Watch the Holiday Classic website (<http://rochesterrotaryclubs.org/basketball/index.cfm>) for information to be posted soon regarding the grant process.



25th Anniversary
HOLIDAY CLASSIC



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you!

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL ROTARY US BANK HOLIDAY CLASSIC!

Grant applications will be available soon

The 25th Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic basketball tournament was once again a success. Final figures are being tallied, but to date (not including this year's tournament) we have awarded \$739,540. Thanks to everyone who volunteered during the tournament!



Grant applications will be available soon 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 on March 21.



**Thank you, Rotary, for supporting CHA-
The Cambodian Handicraft Association**

Featured Partner – CHA

Sewing for Sustainability, RCTC, and your Rotary Club has worked together to promote and support CHA. Your generous donations last year provided a generator for CHA. This generator has helped the women continue sewing throughout the day, even when the electricity goes out (which is often a daily occurrence). You have helped the women “help themselves” by providing them a solution to their problems in productivity. This solution is more than “mere charity” it is helping the women become sustainable.

From the CHA Website: The mission of CHA project is to make life better for the handicapped. CHA is the working place for Landmine and Polio disabled Cambodians to improve their skills and learn more skills as well as train them in small business. Also, CHA helps the producers/trainees make a sustainable small business plan when they go back to their villages. As important as the workshop is the promoting of self-confidence, independence, and integration into Cambodian society. Moreover, CHA tries to increase the ability of disabled persons to be socially and economically progressive, and provide or support employment for Cambodian nationals with disabilities, primarily by means of producing or marketing Cambodian silk crafts. Please contact CHA directly for more information about its products, people, and mission.



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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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