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#### VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 187

**NOVEMBER ATTENDANCE: 46%** 

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: Janice Domke,

Judith O'Fallon, Stacey Vanden Heuvel

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: none reported

ROTARY eCLUB ONE: none reported

OTHER CLUBS: Mark Dripps, Heather Holmes

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: Robert Olson, Mark Noble

NEW MEMBERS: Jennifer Dreisch, Donna Greason,

Jan Hagedorn, Mac Hamilton, Melody Trimble

RESIGNATIONS: Steve Courts, Jesica Johnston,

Tom Sitzer, JoAnn Stormer



"The famous "Red Kettle Bell Ringer Singers," an accomplished singing group that makes an annual appearance at HyVee each year at Christmas. This year it was at HyVee South near Apache and attracted the attention and participation of Santa Clause -- a rather significant honor and achievement." – Merlin Ricklefs

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
January 1	Bill Hendee	Owosso, MI
January 4	Patricia Carlson	Colfax, ND
	Wes Duellman	
	Sue M. Johnson	Rochester, MN
January 5	Jerry Lobland	Preston, MN
January 7	Margaret Hinz	Rochester, MN
January 9	Mike Muñoz	Lexington, NE
January 11	Rod Anderson	Breckenridge, MN
	Jennifer Teske	Hampton, IA
January 24	Walt Menning	LaSalle, IL
January 25	Kathy Lessard	Osage, IA
	Bert Reiman	Riverside, CA
January 30	Melody Trimble	KI Sawyer AFB, MI
January 31	Deb Muench	Sparta, WI
If we have m	issed your birthday,	, please let us know.

### CELEBRATE ROTARY'S BIRTHDAY IN FEBRUARY

Rotary's birthday is February 23. Rotary Club of Rochester Rotarians will be encouraged to celebrate by wearing Rotary logo apparel. If you don't yet own any, you can purchase items online.



# JANUARY CALENDAR Weekly Meetings

Service Day, Rochester Public January 5 **Library**, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm Rochester Public Schools CTECH January 12 presented by Erin Broviac, Riverview Suites C&D, Mayo Civic Center, 11:30 am -1:00 pm January 19 1905 Meetings, locations TBA, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm January 26 Ability Building Center presented by Doug Schommer, Riverview Suites C&D, Mayo Civic Center, 11:30 am -1:00 pm

## January Rotary Anniversaries

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### Other Meetings & Events

January 2	No Channel One Service due to holiday observed
January 3	Rotary Club of Rochester Board, OMC SE Clinic Conference, Room 4-2 (210 9th St. SE), 7 am
January 9	Salvation Army Dinner Service, Salvation Army Building, 5:30-7 pm
January 11	Southeast World Community Service Meeting, Edina Realty Conference Room (1301 Salem Rd SW) 7 am
January 18	Rotary Information Meeting, location TBD, 4:30-5:30 pm
January 25	Wine Down Wednesday, Beetles Bar & Grill (230 20 <sup>th</sup> Ave SW), 4 pm

## SELECTION OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINEE-ELECT

By 2016-17 DG Jim Hunt

"As District Governor, I am pleased to announce that Paul Perez, Rotary Club of Prior Lake, has been selected as District Governor Nominee-elect of District 5960 for the Rotary Year of 2019-2020.

The selection was made by the District Governor Nominee Selection Committee, chaired by Past District Governor Marlene Gargulak.

Congratulations to Paul with special thanks to Marlene and the committee, which has selected such an outstanding candidate. We all wish Paul success on his journey along the District Governor track."

#### Thanks to all who helped with the

December meetings Greeters: Joel Haak, Gary Harmon, Josef Chlachula, Brad Jones, Jim Sloan, Kathy Lessard; Cashier: Caroline Baihly, Danae Gaio, Janice Domke; Sergeant-at-Arms: John Woodruff; Visitors Desk: Suzanne Dinusson, Betty Devine, Jen Woodford; Music: Jim Sloan, Kristine Ihrke, Judith O'Fallon; Reflections: Melanie Tschida, Sue Johnson, Richard Brubaker; Four Way

Test: Paul Tieskoetter, Danae Gaio, Mark Dripps; Introduction of Visitors: Heather Holmes, Jen Woodford; Presenters: Santa Claus, SEMYO Woodwind Quintet directed by Corey Henke



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## **OUR** HOLIDAY CLASSIC BY THE NUMBERS

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**Finance** Volunteers

Site Managers

Steering Committee Members

Holiday Classic Sponsors

Halftime Entertainment Groups

High School Basketball Teams

Volunteers

### AND A FEW MORE FUN NUMBERS!

**60 Pieces of Fruit** 96 Cookies 100 Water Bottles 1,150 Mini Basketballs

Thank You for supporting our **Local Youth Programs** 



- Adult Event Pass \$22
- Student Event Pass \$10
- Adult Day Pass \$14
- Student Day Pass \$6



#### A NOTE FROM PRESIDENT STACEY VANDEN HEUVEL

As we embark on a new year, 2017, I think of the New Year resolutions I have not kept for the full year. So, for this year, I resolve to renew all those and keep them for as long as I can. Last year I resolved to be more present and mindful. I need to do better at that. I will try harder. It's a good resolution.

And, I'm adding one for 2017, and that is to try some new things.

I invite my fellow Rotarians to join me in trying some new things for the betterment of The Rotary Club of Rochester.

Starting on the first Thursday of each month, I hope you will join me at the Rochester Public Library to perform some community service together and socialize with fellow Rotarians. It should be a lot of fun to gather together in an easily accessible, warm, downtown location where the work we will do will help the Library in its efforts to strengthen community and enrich lives through engagement and learning.

Recall that the largest word in our club's word cloud gifted by District Governor Jim was service. And our visioning effort last October made it clear to me that we wanted to be a service club of inspired individuals whose contributions improve lives in communities locally and worldwide. Let's inspire each other and regularly gather to perform service together in 2017. We should be a large group since this regular meeting time is already on our calendars and we all agree that we benefit from serving others and from fellowship with other Rotarians.

#### Please join me on Service First Thursdays.

Another new thing I'm asking you to join me in is our new 1905 Meetings. As you know, Rotary was founded in 1905. The first Rotarians gathered in small groups at Rotarians' places of work. They met and participated in meaningful discussions that lead to enhanced vocational, community, and other service. At our 1905 meetings, we will meet at other locations throughout Rochester. These new meetings really hearken back to the days of Paul Harris himself. For part of the meeting, we will be all together, and I will join you via a live Facebook feed from a central downtown location. Throughout the community, we will be in smaller groups for a video presentation and discussion together.

Some of our willing Rotarians are hosting these meetings in their places of work, and members of our programs committee and our club board will be attending the various locations to help with the 1905 meetings. Your parking will be free of charge, unless you join me downtown.

So for part of the meeting, I will be with all of you via technology for a reflection, announcements, and the Four Way Test, and for the second part of the meeting, we will participate in an onsite program that ties to one of the Rotary focus areas (vocational service, peace and conflict resolution, and more). To start, these meetings will be "brown bag," meaning bring your own lunch: grab an apple or banana or yogurt, pack a sandwich, or find a drive through on your way. The site hosts may provide water to drink. Imagine that Paul Harris held his meetings in much the same way, except that we will have technology!

I think we can be successful with this new meeting format if we all give it a chance. After the last Speed Networking meeting, our special visitor, former Rotary International President Ray Klinginsmith, told me that he liked the program and saw our energy together and wanted to take it back to his club.

Please join me for 1905 Meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

On the 2nd, 4th, and occasional 5th Thursdays, we will continue to the traditional meeting format at the Mayo Civic Center. Please continue to join me for those meetings as well.

So how does trying these new meeting formats help our club and members? First, we are helping people who may need to schedule their service opportunity amidst their otherwise busy work and family life. And, we are giving you some more discussion and socializing time at the same time. I've heard many times that people just start a great conversation at the weekly meeting, and I'm ringing the bell! I'm trying to keep the meeting on time to honor your schedules, but I acknowledge that conversation time with your fellow Rotarians might be what you are looking for! Also, for the 1905 Meetings, we are bringing Rotary closer to you! We are well aware of the logistics and time commitment to attend the weekly meetings regularly, especially for those coming from the four quadrants of town. Some of our homebound or office-bound Rotarians might even be able to join us, much like e-club meetings, if they have a Facebook account. These meetings also are for the cost-conscious Rotarian. Rotarians on a budget have pointed out that they sometimes have decided not to come to meetings because of the cost of meals and parking. Service First Thursdays and 1905 Meetings will be cost free to you. They also will incur less expense for your club. Meeting room fees are a new reality for our club's budget, and we are trying this meeting structure to be good stewards of your dues. (If you would like more information about this, please reach out to me. I would be happy to share more.)

And as always, we encourage you to bring guests to any of our meetings, Service First Thursdays, 1905 Meetings, or our traditional Thursday meetings. Growing our membership remains an important goal for The Rotary Club of Rochester. We are the largest club in District 5960, but we need to retain current and attain new members to hold that honor.

Please join me in inviting a guest to Rotary. In the words of our Rotary Information Officer Leigh J. Johnson, every Rotarian was invited to join Rotary, except Paul Harris. We grow because of our associations and relationships. Invite a guest to Rotary every month! Pick someone you like to spend time with, someone with values like yours, someone who wants to make a difference in their community and world, someone who also wants to try something new in 2017.

I wish you a happy, healthy, prosperous new year, with my best wishes for your trying something new in 2017.

## Welcome New Members



Proposer Colin Aldis with new member Melody Trimble



Proposer Janice Domke with new member Jennifer Driesch



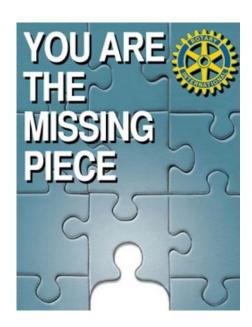
Proposer Ingrid Neel with new member Donna Greason



Proposer Chris Colby with new member Mac Hamilton



Proposer Stacey Vanden Heuvel with new member Jan Hagedorn



The Rotary Club of Rochester 2016-17 Club Progress to Goals		
CATEGORY	2016-17 GOALS	As of November 30, 2016
Membership (Began Rotary year with 185)	187	187
Rotary International Foundation Annual Program Fund	\$10,000	\$5,539 (55% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	10%
PolioPlus	\$2,500	\$2,800 (102% of goal)
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project	\$1,000	\$0 (0% of goal)
Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation	\$10,000	\$5,400 (54% of goal)



#### FROM ROCHESTER AREA FAMILY YMCA BOARD CHAIR ANN BEATTY

"Dear Friends of the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic,

In this season of Thanksgiving we want to send you warm greetings with much appreciation for all the many gifts you've given the Rochester Area Family Y this year. On behalf of the Y board, staff and its many members, I send you heartfelt thanks. Our mission continues to thrive and our community participants continue to grow because of generous donors, partners and sponsors like you. Our ongoing partnership is making a difference everyday in the lives of so many and for all the support you've provided, we are most grateful. Thank you."

#### FROM AUDREY BETCHER, ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR

"Thanks to support from Rotary Clubs of Rochester and other organizations committed to furthering literacy, Rochester Public Library (RPL) and community partners are making a difference in the lives of underserved children and adults. Rochester Reading Champions (RRC) was developed in 2014 to provide free, specialized tutoring to targeted Olmsted County residents. Tutors give twice weekly lessons to struggling readers at locations they frequent including the Boy & Girls Club of Rochester, Olmsted County Adult Detention Center, Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge, Hawthorne Education Center, and St. Francis of Assisi School.

As a core of the program, The Reading Center trains dedicated volunteers in the Orton-Gillingham (O-G) Approach--a proven reading intervention method. In addition to 120 hours of intensive coursework to become RRC tutors, volunteers often spend approximately 2-5 hours per week preparing individualized lessons and tutoring students. Our goal, of adding 8-10 tutors to the program annually, ensures that RRC continues to address the literacy needs of our growing community. In 2016 RRC's volunteers were recognized for their contributions by the United Way of Olmsted County and KTTC with the 10 Who Make a Difference Award.

RPL received a \$1,500 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic Community Grant to support pre and post assessments of youth. This funding from Rotary Clubs of Rochester provided critical start-up costs and promoted capacity building for the program.

After just two years, RRC has a cohort of 23 highly trained and committed tutors who have worked with 37 struggling readers and provided 1,398 free lessons. To date, volunteers have donated 7,095 hours and six grade school students reached the 80 lesson benchmark to receive a post-assessment. Since all of the students exceeded expectations and improved reading from two to four levels, this success demonstrates the high impact of RRC.

Thank you, Rotary!"

#### FROM RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE MANAGER LINDSEY DITTMER AND GUESTS

"Dear friends, Thank you once again for the amazing dinner! Your act of kindness warmed our hearts and filled our tummies. We greatly appreciate all you do for the families at RMH!"

#### A SNEAK PEEK AT THE WEB REFRESH

Posted on December 13, 2016, By Rotary staff, <a href="https://blog.rotary.org/2016/12/13/a-sneak-peek-at-the-web-refresh/#more-7283">https://blog.rotary.org/2016/12/13/a-sneak-peek-at-the-web-refresh/#more-7283</a>

In January, visitors to Rotary.org will discover a new, contemporary site that tells Rotary's story in a fresh and exciting way. It's the first step in a two-part process to refresh our entire website: first the public site, Rotary.org, and then My Rotary.

Some of the changes will be obvious: a modern design, increased use of imagery and graphics to tell our stories, and better organization of content to help readers find out who we are and what we're doing. Others, like the improved speed of the site, will be a welcome surprise.

We believe these changes will more clearly show that Rotary is making the world a better place — and will persuade potential members and donors to support our work by joining a club, volunteering on a project, or donating to a cause. Visit Rotary.org in January to see all the improvements we've made.

## Congratulations to our latest Paul Harris Fellow Recipients



Paul Harris Fellow recipients Mark Neville and Judith O'Fallon





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# WHAT CAN YOU DO TO CELEBRATE JANUARY AS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH?

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Rotary's guiding principles emphasize the importance of work. Work provides people with a livelihood and gives them dignity, and society benefits from having all of its members employed in a manner that maximizes their talents and ambitions. It should therefore come as no surprise that those who join Rotary clubs are committed to promoting professional development.

Rotarians can pursue this commitment through activities that enhance their own knowledge, and by guiding and training others to find gainful, fulfilling employment.

#### Take Action:

- Network with non-Rotarian professionals in the community. Consider hosting business networking events through your club or get involved in a professional association in the community. Making these connections will expose your club to potential members and provide opportunities for existing members to enhance their professional knowledge and connections.
- Provide career counseling for unemployed or underemployed adults. The recent global recession has left many talented people looking for employment. Reach out to those in your community and help job seekers develop the skills and confidence they need to compete in the job market.
- Give career guidance to a young person. Participate in a career day at a local high school or get involved in a one-on-one mentoring or job shadowing program. By sharing knowledge about your profession, you can expose a young person to new possibilities and help them make sound career choices. Consider working with your local Interact or Rotaract club, or contact local school administrators.



#### **ROCHESTER ROTARY CLUB**

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#### **ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER**

Rochester, Minnesota Organized June 12, 1925

Club No. 2164

District No. 5960

#### 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?

#### THE MOCCASIN FLOWER

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**SECRETARY:** Jeff Allman TREASURER: Chris Colby PAST PRESIDENT: Bill Wiktor

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

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**ROTARY DISTRICT 5960 GOVERNOR** 

Jim Hunt, White Bear Lake Rotary Club

**ASSISTANT GOVERNOR** 

Mark Dripps, Rotary Club of Rochester

#### **WEB SITES**

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

#### **ROTARY COMMITTEES**

#### **MEETING ACTIVITIES** Joel Haak, Director

Greeters	Joel Haak
Four-Way Test	Mark Dripps
Music	<i>VACANT</i>
Reflections	. Heather Holmes, Kelly Engler
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Woodruff
Programs	Wes Duellman
Visitors Desk	Suzanne Dinusson

#### **CLUB ACTIVITIES** Jen Woodford, Director

Benefit Auction	. Heather	Holmes,	Kristine Ihrke
Golf Day			Kathy Lessard
Social Events			Jen Woodford

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### Heather Holmes, Director Club Bulletin (Moccasin Flower .....

El	izabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke
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	Elizabeth Karsell
Public Relations	Sara Gilliland, Jennifer Teske

#### INTERNATIONAL SERVICE Alison Good, Director

<i>VACANT</i>
Alison Good
Bill Wiktor
mantha Rother
Betty Devine
M. Christensen
Eric Matteson,
n, Ashok Patel

#### MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT Janice Domke, President Elect

Rotary Information Officer	Leigh J. Johnson
Sponsors	Milt Tostrud

#### **VOCATIONAL SERVICE** Larry Koshire, Director

Larry Rosinic,	Director
Camp RYLA	ana Funk, Diane Ilstrup
Ethics Program	Stacey Vanden Heuvel,
	Lorie Luedke
Rotary Literacy Coordinator	Kay Hocker
Rotation Day	Danae Gaio
STRIVEMai	rk Dripps, Diane Ilstrup
Vocational Talks	Walt Menning
Youth Protection Officer	Diane Ilstrup

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

COMMONTAL
Kelly Engler, Director
Channel One Sinead Chick
Community Food Response Kelly Engler, Phil Karsell
Quarry Hill Fall Festival Steve Sponsel
Rotary Bell Ringing - Salvation Army Mark Neville,
Rotary Holiday ClassicLynn Clarey,
Janice Domke, Elizabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke,
Bill Nietz, Steve Stenhaug,
Lorrie Swancutt, Jen Woodford
Salvation Army Dinners Heather Holmes,
JoMarie Morris
Service Above Self AwardsDiane Ilstrup
Student GuestsVACANT
White Oaks Park