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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 201

MAY ATTENDANCE: 45.55%

AMBASSADORS: District 5960: **many Rotarians at the Weigel Installation;** St. Louis Rotary Club: **Cris Fischer;** Door County Rotary: **Tank Sholem**

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: none

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: **Kathryn Lombardo, Stacey Vanden Heuvel, Tim Weir**

ROTARY eCLUB ONE: **Sarah Burrington**

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: **Emil Koretzky**

RESIGNATIONS: **Anne Berberich, Laura Bowman, Donna Cunningham, Linda Hillenbrand, Gail O'Kane, Gail Sauter**

DEATHS: **Dan Skinner**

ROTARY LEADERSHIP CHANGES FOR 2014-15

The Rotary Club of Rochester will welcome its new leadership at our July 10 meeting in the Heritage Hall of the Kahler Hotel. The 2014-15 Board will include:

- President Paul Tieskoetter
- President Elect Bill Wiktor
- President Elect Nominee Stacey Vanden Heuvel
- Past President Vicki Allen
- Treasurer Maurice Reiner
- Secretary Mark Noble
- Director of Club Service I Colin Aldis
- Director of Club Service II Brian Welke
- Director of Club Service III Kathy Lessard
- Director of Community Service Bari Amadio
- Director of International Service Steve Courts
- Director of Vocational Service Fred Suhler

Thank you to our outgoing 2013-14 Board members, Lorie Luedke, Danae Ostern, Sue F. Johnson, Anne Berberich, and Diane Ilstrup for the time and service given to the club during their term on the board.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
July 2	George Allen	Colorado Springs, CO
	Suzanne Dinusson	Devils Lake, ND
	Heather Holmes	Rugby, ND
	Phil Karsell	Indianapolis, IN
July 9	JoAnn Stormer	Rockford, IL
July 10	David Harbert	Bethesda, MD
July 11	Frank Sharbrough	Holly Bluff, MS
July 14	Hugh Smith	Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
July 20	Samantha Rother	Red Wing, MN
July 21	Fred Suhler	Key West, FL
July 22	David Herder	Fort Atkinson, WI
	Bruce Ryan	Rochester, MN
July 23	Charles Kennedy	Beresford, SD
July 24	Ellen Huston	Cedar Rapids, IA
July 25	Mark Murch	Omaha, NE
	Aynsley Smith	Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
July 26	Leigh Johnson	St Paul, MN
July 27	Patrick Gannon	Meriden, CT
July 29	Nickie Froiland	Spencer, IA
July 30	Colin Aldis	New Zealand
	Stephen Sponsel	Minneapolis, MN
	Mark Ostrem	Viroqua, WI
July 31	Betty Devine	Ray, AZ

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

JULY CALENDAR

Weekly Meetings

- July 3** No Meeting due to the Fourth of July holiday
- July 10** **Heritage Hall, The Kahler Grand Hotel**, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., “Leadership Changeover” presented by club leadership
- July 17** **Rochester Family Y and People’s Food Co-op**, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., “People’s Food Co-op” presented by Community Services Manager Brad Smith
- July 24** **Holiday Inn Downtown**, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., “How Winona State Serves Rochester,” presented by Winona State University President Scott Olson
- July 31** **Elizabethan Room, The Kahler Grand Hotel**, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., “Squalor to Scholar” presented by John Schupbach

Other Meetings & Events

- July 1-4** Rotary office is closed
- July 7** **Channel One Service** Location: Channel One Building, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- July 9** **Rotary Club of Rochester Board Meeting**, OMC Foundation Offices, 7:00 a.m.
- July 9** **Community Food Response Service**, Bethel Lutheran Church, 1:15-6:45 p.m.
- July 14** **Salvation Army Dinner Service**, Salvation Army Building, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- July 15** **Holiday Classic Steering Committee**, Aspen Suites Conference Room (1211 2nd St. SW), 11:30 a.m.
- July 16** **White Oaks Park Clean-up**, White Oaks Park (4597 55th St NW), 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- July 23** **Rotary Information Meeting**, Custom Alarm Conference Room (1661 Greenview Dr. SW), 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- July 24** **Thursdays on First**, stop by the Rotary Clubs of Rochester table located near the Peace Plaza Stage, 11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
- July 30** **Wine Down Wednesday**, The Tap House, 5:00 p.m.

July Rotary Anniversaries

Al DeBoer	45 years
George Allen	33 years
Betty Devine	20 years
Karen Rickleffs	18 years
Merlin Rickleffs	18 years
Mike Quinn	16 years
Gary Harmon	13+ years
Bari Amadio	11 years
Jeffrey Allman	7+ years
Kristine Stensland	7 years
Diane Ilstrup	5+ years
Kathleen Harrington	1 year
Kathryn Lombardo	1 year



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 Greeters: **Kathryn Lombardo, Colin Aldis, Heather Holmes**; Cashier: **Cris Fischer, Angie Rustad**;
 Sergeant-at-Arms: **John Woodruff**; Visitors Desk: **Kathy Lessard, Mark Neville**; Invocations: **Gilda Banfield, Phil Karsell, Mark Ostrem**; Four Way Test: **Caroline Baihly, Dave Moertel, Jen Woodford**;
 Introduction of Visitors: **Steve Courts, Phil Karsell, Mark Neville**; Presenters: Steve Dawson, Robert Rizza, Veronica Branson, and Damian Mohawk.



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 ON FACEBOOK!

MEET OUR 2014-15 ROTARY DISTRICT GOVERNOR KAREL WEIGEL

Karel has solid Midwestern roots spending many of her growing up years in St. Paul, Chicago, and Kansas City before moving to Ann Arbor, Michigan, following graduation from college. Karel's first professional job was with the Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities (a health care data research and management organization) in Ann Arbor and it was that connection that led her to Rochester and Mayo Clinic. Her academic preparation in Biology and Health Information Management were helpful in meeting the needs of hospitals and health care organizations in response to the then newly implemented Medicare program. Two Mayo physicians recruited Karel to Mayo in 1979 to help with Mayo's research classifications and health data needs.



District Governor Karel Weigel

In Karel's 30 years at Mayo, she served in a variety of administrative assignments, the aforementioned research, in operations administration and finally as Mayo's first Administrator for Community Relations from 1999 until her retirement in 2009.

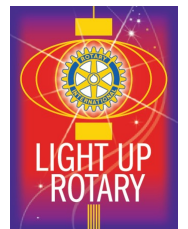
Karel has been active in her professional association, American Health Information Management Association, serving as President of both Michigan and Minnesota component state associations and as a member of the national association's Board of Directors. She was subsequently appointed to the US National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics where she was Chair of the Medical Classification Subcommittee. Karel has enjoyed being an active part of the Rochester community serving as a member or Chair of numerous Boards, Committees and Task Forces in both the public and private sector.

A member of The Rotary Club of Rochester since 1998, Karel served as Treasurer in 2006-2007 and as President in 2010-2011. District activities include service on the District Governor Nominating Committee and on-site coordinator for North Central Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (NC PETS). Rotary is a special part of Karel's life and she is proud to represent Rotary in our communities and in our world. Service Above Self may be a short motto, but it speaks volumes in humanitarian impact.

Karel shares her home in Rochester with a Cairn terrier, Nutmeg, (the dog had to have a food name, but Parsley sounded frilly, and Coriander was just awkward!). Her favorite place to relax is Minnesota's North Shore and hobbies include reading, hiking and cooking.

2014-15 Presidential Theme: Light Up Rotary

RI President Gary C.K. Huang chose Light Up Rotary as his theme for 2014-15. Huang is urging club members to Light Up Rotary by hosting a Rotary Day in their community, continuing our fight against polio, and increasing club membership. "Light Up Rotary is more than our theme. It is how we make a difference -- every day, in every club, and every country we serve."



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

CATEGORY	2013-14 GOALS	As of July 1, 2014
Membership <i>(Began Rotary year with 203)</i>	210	201
Rotary International Foundation Annual Program Fund	\$12,000	\$8,701 (72% of goal)
Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)	100%	17%
Polio Plus <i>(from Auction proceeds and individual donations)</i>	\$2,500	\$2,940 (117% of goal)
District 5960 Fast for Hope Project <i>(from Auction proceeds)</i>	\$1,000	\$1,000 (100% of goal)

ROTARY PAST PRESIDENTS

1925-26 Phil Sheridan	1958-59 Thomas T. Myers	1991-92 Michael J. Hogan
1926-27 Phil Sheridan	1959-60 Joseph Cotter	1992-93 Thomas G. Bergsland
1927-28 George Sanberg	1960-61 C.J. Feldman	1993-94 Thomas D. Holets
1928-29 A.J. Lobb	1961-62 Quent Royer	1994-95 Robert L. MacCarty
1929-30 Nick Kendall	1962-63 James V. Moon	1995-96 Thomas P. Moyer
1930-31 W.C. MacCarty	1963-64 Robert C. Roesler	1996-97 Marilyn D. Stewart
1931-32 H.H. Crawford	1964-65 Edward M. Litin	1997-98 Richard D. Hurt
1932-33 B.R. Kirklin	1965-66 Kenneth Linwick	1998-99 David R. Oeth
1933-34 C.C. Pagenhart	1966-67 William H. Carroll, Sr	1999-00 Frank Iossi
1934-35 C.W. Mayo	1967-68 Matthew B. Divertie	2000-01 Hilla F. Ferguson
1935-36 Harald Thompson	1968-69 Fredric H. Bathke	2001-02 Dennis L. Nigon
1936-37 Slade Schuster	1969-70 Franklin Ruhl	2002-03 Philip R. Karsell
1937-38 Otis Wicklund	1970-71 Samuel W. Cook	2003-04 Richard D. Edwards
1938-39 R.W. Chadwick	1971-72 Gerry Quiel	2004-05 William A. Nietz
1939-40 Ernest Schlitgus	1972-73 Stuart Olson	2005-06 William "Mike" O'Fallon
1940-41 James J. Drummond	1973-74 Lowell Helgerson	2006-07 Rick Lien
1941-42 A.C. Gooding	1974-75 Donn Rosenauer	2007-08 Kim Adams
1942-43 R.D. Mussey	1975-76 Edmund C. Burke	2008-09 Doug Rovang
1943-44 Vernon Gates	1976-77 Richard B. Tompkins	2009-10 Dana Funk
1944-45 Leonard Ekstrand	1977-78 Allan R. DeBoer	2010-11 Karel Weigel
1945-46 Gilbert C. Utz	1978-79 Richard A. Cecil	2011-12 Mark Dripps
1946-47 Lee Nelson	1979-80 Jack D. Key	2012-13 Lorie Luedke
1947-48 Edwin A. Rundell, Jr	1980-81 Peter F. Vilter	2013-14 Vicki Allen
1948-49 Al B. Berens	1981-82 Donald D. McCall	
1949-50 Pat Moore	1982-83 H.W. Oehler	
1950-51 Oscar Allerton	1983-84 Leigh Johnson	
1951-52 David Bach	1984-85 Gerald Needham	
1952-53 Edward A. Banner	1985-86 Richard Towey	
1953-54 Russell Lang	1986-87 Peter Connolly	
1954-55 George Zeigler	1987-88 Gary Harmon	
1955-56 Harry Blackmun	1988-89 Arthur J. Kennel	
1956-57 Stan R. Davis	1989-90 William Carroll, Jr	
1957-58 Harold C. Mickey	1990-91 Dale A. Rings	

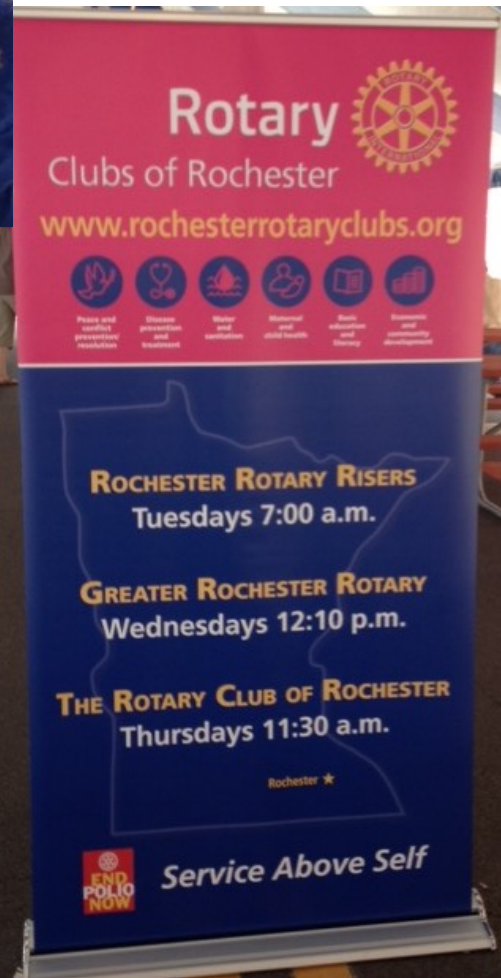


ROTARY CLUBS OF ROCHESTER AT ROCHESTERFEST

The weather was beautiful, the tent was well-equipped, and the Rotary signs were hung. All that was needed were Rotarians, and you came! Thanks to those who attended the June 25 combined meeting of the Rochester Rotary Risers, Greater Rochester Rotary, and Rotary Club of Rochester. More than sixty Rotarians participated in the meeting along with a number of local guests. Several visiting Rotarians learned of the event from the Rochesterfest literature and joined the fun, as well.

Committee members from the Public Relations for Rotary in Rochester (PURR) prepared and led an interesting game of Rotary JeoParTy. Two teams, each with three Rotarians, tested their knowledge in the game. Other Rotarians and guests at the event enjoyed learning about Rotary as an organization, as well. The teams' scores were close as they were given the final JeoParTy question, and all players were given a Rotary prize for participation. Finally, a bonus question was presented to the entire crowd. Several Rotarians made a guess at the answer, but in the end, a newer Rotarian with a smart phone and quick Internet skills, provided the correct answer. He won a one night stay donated by the local La Quinta Inn. Many thanks to La Quinta!

PURR members hope this fun event is the first of many to come. It was a great opportunity to showcase Rotary to the community, enjoy Rochesterfest fun, and enjoy Rotary fellowship between the clubs.



WHY THE ROTARY YEAR BEGINS 1 JULY

Taken from: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/why-rotary-year-begins-1-july>

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended. The convention of the Rotary Clubs of America was held in Rotary's birthplace, Chicago, in 1910.

Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.



The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even *The Rotarian* changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in *The Rotarian* that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signaled by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."



ROTARY FELLOWSHIP

Karsells and Sinners at the Twins game against the White Sox enjoying a 2014 Rotary Club of Rochester Foundation Auction purchase.

PRESIDENT BURTON REFLECTS ON HIS CALL TO 'ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES'

by Ryan Hyland, *Rotary News*, 30-Jun-2014

Ron Burton has made the world his office.

Over the past year, the Rotary International president has traveled more than half-a-million miles across 50 countries, to inspire and motivate Rotary's 1.2 million members. Although many encouraged him to use cheaper, virtual alternatives, he believes it takes face-to-face engagement.

"I was the first president to have a Google Hangout and have done Facebook chats," Burton says, reflecting on his term, which ends at midnight 30 June. "But I asked Rotarians this year to Engage Rotary, Change Lives, so I needed to live that as well, by sitting at kitchen tables talking to families, visiting community projects, speaking to clubs, and [meeting] with other leaders around the world to promote Rotary's good work."

Burton, Rotary's 105th president, calls the job one of "awesome and great responsibility."

"It's a great honor to follow in the footsteps of [Rotary's founder] Paul Harris," says Burton, a member of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, in the U.S. "When I travel around the world, I'm able to meet Rotarians from every walk of life and every culture. And all of them have such a deep respect for the office." He adds that it's been important to remember that "this position isn't about me. It's about the job."

The job of Rotary president essentially begins election to the position a year before taking office. Presidents-elect set an agenda for the coming year, pick committee chairs, and work on the convention program. All of that, Burton says, is to set the stage for a successful term. And looking back on the past two years, he's reminded of an adage from back home.

"There's a saying in Oklahoma that where you go in life, whatever job you set out to do, you should always leave the woodpile a little higher than it was when you found it," he says. "With the tremendous support of Rotarians worldwide, I believe we accomplished that this year."

A big contribution to that woodpile is one of the things Burton is most proud. He asked each one of his 537 district governors to make a gift to The Rotary Foundation. No matter the size of the contribution or the fund, he wanted all of them to show support for the Foundation. And they did, becoming the first district governor class to make that commitment, raising more than \$700,000.

"What we're talking about here is a change of thinking,

a change in culture," says Burton. "There needs to be the thought that this is our Foundation and the more we support it, the more lives we can change."

President-elect Gary Huang followed Burton's lead and has asked his own class of governors to do the same. The group has already contributed \$1 million for the Foundation.



President Ron Burton speaks at the 2014 New Generations Pre-convention meeting in Sydney.

Photo Credit: Rotary International/Monika Lozinska

"I hope what we started becomes a tradition with all Rotary presidents," says Burton.

Another highlight of the year was during the Victory Over Polio celebration in February at Talkatora Stadium in New Delhi. The nationally televised event hailed India's third consecutive year of being polio-free.

Burton was among several speakers that included Indian President Pranab Mukherjee, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, Health and Family Welfare Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad, and World Health Organization Director-General Margaret Chan.

What made the event memorable for Burton was a small gesture that had a big impact. Before leaving the stage President Mukherjee walked over to Burton, shook his hand, and thanked him and Rotary for their incredible contribution to India's accomplishments.

Burton says the gesture "shows the respect Rotary has in India and the tremendous appreciation for what we've done. It was a proud moment for me and Rotary."

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Sydney convention caps off "unforgettable" year

For Rotary presidents, the convention is the pinnacle of their terms.

"I couldn't have asked for a better convention. What I was most proud of [was] our speakers," he says of the convention in Sydney. "Every one of them spoke with such enthusiasm and brought a unique and powerful message that relates to what we do at Rotary. I heard from so many Rotarians afterward how great they were."

Burton was especially impressed with the speakers on the last day who focused on new generations and the future of Rotary, calling it the most important message of the event.

"Our youth program participants and alumni can be one of our strongest assets moving forward," he says. "And the speakers who represented this movement knocked the message out of the park. If that doesn't wake up this organization, I don't know what will."

During his final speech of the convention, Burton became emotional as he thanked Rotarians for their support during his year. "It was a bittersweet moment. It hit me during the end of my speech how great our organization is and why. It's because of the people in the audience," he says.

Burton is looking forward to returning to Oklahoma after two years of being away. "I can't wait to spend time with my family and hanging out at my pool all day," he says.

Burton, who has held almost every senior-level position at Rotary, says there's one thing important to remember when he leaves office.

"On July first, I'm going to hold only one title and it's the most important: Rotarian."

2010-11 Youth Exchange Student Camilla's Graduation

Congratulations to our 2010-11 Rotary Youth Exchange student Camilla on her recent graduation! They really know how to celebrate in Denmark! The last week of June is graduation week for the entire country, and the celebration traditions are the same throughout.



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- 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
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 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Steve Sponsel*
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 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic*Lynn Clarey,*
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Laurel Schacht, Steve Stenhaug, Lorrie Swancutt,
Jen Woodford
 Salvation Army Dinners*Sue F. Johnson*
 Service Above Self Awards*Cresta Valentine*
 Student Guests *Sara Gilliland*
 White Oaks Park*Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*