

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



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## VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 207

APRIL ATTENDANCE: 45.55%

AMBASSADORS: Rotary Club of Blair, NE: **Borge M. Christensen**; St. Louis Rotary Club: **Cris Fischer**

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: **George Allen, Caroline Baihly, Audrey Betcher, Lynn Clarey, Tank Sholem**

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: **John Woodruff**

ROTARY eCLUB ONE: **Sarah Burrington**

RESIGNATIONS: **Joseph Gibilisco**

NEW MEMBERS: **Sue M. Johnson, Christopher Ness, Samantha Rother**

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
June 3	<b>Mark Utz</b>	Rochester, MN
	<b>Brenda Walker</b>	Rochester, MN
June 9	<b>Kathleen Harrington</b>	Jamaica, NY
	<b>Judith O'Fallon</b>	Fairmont, MN
June 10	<b>Maury Hagen</b>	Duluth, MN
June 12	<b>Paul Bleimeyer</b>	Bedford, TX
	<b>Bill Wiktor</b>	Detroit, MI
June 13	<b>Tank Sholem</b>	Urbana, IL
June 17	<b>Kay Hocker</b>	Ames, Iowa
June 20	<b>Shan Pollitt</b>	Mendota, IL
June 21	<b>Randy Fett</b>	Minneapolis, MN
June 22	<b>Carl Anderson</b>	Winterset, IA
June 23	<b>Ardell Brede</b>	Austin, MN
June 27	<b>Sue F. Johnson</b>	Rochester, MN
June 28	<b>Gilda Banfield</b>	Philadelphia, PA
June 29	<b>Leon Clark</b>	Chicago, IL

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

## ROTARY CLUBS OF ROCHESTER COMBINE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP AT ROCHESTERFEST!

On June 25th, at noon, the Rotary Clubs of Rochester are taking their meeting to the streets of Rochester. Rotarians from all three Rotary clubs will gather under the tent in the street next to the Post Bulletin for a combined club meeting. The program, fitting for a casual venue, will be a game of Rotary JeoParTy. The Rotarians will challenge each other on their knowledge of Rotary. Plan to attend this venue for a casual meeting which will put the spotlight on Rotary during Rochesterfest, a very popular event. Let's show the community how much fun we have in Rotary. The goal is to enhance Rotary's public image by showing Rotary



in a visible and light-hearted manner and serve to draw potential new members. Lunch is on your own. Rotarians are encouraged to come early to pick up a tasty lunch from one of the food vendors. Meeting and "program" starts at noon. Brush up on your Rotary knowledge.



"LIKE" THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER ON FACEBOOK!

# JUNE CALENDAR

## Weekly Meetings

- June 5** Elizabethan Room, The Kahler Grand Hotel, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., “Camp Victory – Making a Difference” presented by Camp Victory Development Director Steve Dawson
- June 12** Holiday Inn Downtown, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., “Diabetes: How it Can Affect You, Me and Those We Love” presented by Robert Rizza
- June 19** Elizabethan Room, The Kahler Grand Hotel, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., “Camp RYLA” presented by Veronica Branson and Damian Mohawk
- June 25** RochesterFest tent by the Post-Bulletin, 12:00 p.m., Combined Rotary Clubs of Rochester “Rotary JeoParTy game”
- June 26** No Thursday Meeting due to combined Rochester Rotary Clubs meeting on June 25

## Other Meetings & Events

- June 2** Channel One Service Location: Channel One Building 6:00-8:00 pm
- June 9** Salvation Army Dinner Service, Salvation Army Building, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- June 10** Rotary Club of Rochester Board Meeting, OMC Foundation Offices, 7:00-8:00 a.m.
- June 11** Community Food Response Service, Bethel Lutheran Church, 1:15-6:45 p.m.
- June 17** Installation Celebration of 2014-15 District 5960 Governor Karel Weigel, Minnesota Zoo, 6:30 pm
- June 18** Rotary Information Meeting, Aspen Suites Conference Room (1211 2nd St. SW), 12:00-1:30 p.m.
- June 25** Wine Down Wednesday, Twigs at Centerstone Plaza Hotel Soldiers Field, 5:00 p.m, Soldiers Field (401 6th Street SW), 5:00 p.m.
- June 27** Rotary at RochesterFest, Parade Route, 5:00-9:00 p.m.

## Welcome New Members!



Rotarian **Ardell Brede** with new Rotarian **Christopher Ness** (sponsored by **Cresta Valentine**)



President **Vicki Allen** with new member **Samantha Rother**, Rotarian **Phil Karsell**, and new member **Sue Johnson**.

## ROTARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ROCHESTERFEST PARADE

The Rotary Clubs of Rochester are providing volunteers at this year's RochesterFest Parade. Twenty Rotary volunteers are needed between the three clubs. Rotarians are encouraged to sign up with a friend/spouse, or even a teenaged or older child who could help. We will have a Rotary T-Shirt for each parade volunteer. There are 114 parade entries this year. It will be fun to be outside and help volunteer at this community event. [Sign-up online to volunteer.](#) If anyone has questions regarding what is required, please contact Greater Rochester Rotarian Brent Fisher.



## ROTARIANS HONORED IN MAY WITH PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Cynthia Daube	PHF +2
Lorie Luedke	PHF +2
Lois Nietz	PHF +3
Mike O'Fallon	PHF +5



## BEWARE OF NEW EMAIL SCAM CLAIMING TO BE FROM RI PRESIDENT BURTON

Taken from: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/beware-new-email-scam-claiming-be-ri-president-burton>

"A new email falsely claiming to be from RI President Ron Burton is targeting Rotary members. A letter attached to the email asks the recipient to send \$1,500 to rescue missing children in China and claims that the sender will be rewarded with \$3,000.

The fraudulent email has the subject line "RI President Ron Burton" and is sent from a fake email address. The letter attached to the email includes the Rotary logo, Rotary digital letterhead, and Burton's electronic signature.

The email is a scam. Rotary staff is working to resolve the issue. Avoid being the victim of scams by deleting any email that appears suspicious."

# thank you!

"The Monday [Salvation Army] dinners are made possible by the generous donations of time and funding by organizations and faith communities, and we are extremely grateful for your continued support of our program. Please extend our thanks to all Rotarians and to anyone else with a servant's heart and a willingness to spend a few minutes helping the Rochester Salvation Army."

*Dave Ferber*

"We want to thank you for your generous donation...for our music programs."

Thanks and God Bless,  
*Andrew Lovejoy and students*

"Thank you so very much for granting Boys & Girls Club of Rochester \$1000 in March 2014. Your support of the work we do means a great deal to us. More importantly, by supporting BGCR, you are investing in Rochester's children and helping them to achieve their dreams. Thank you so very much!!

*Jennifer Fisher*  
Boys & Girls Club of Rochester

## Thanks to all who helped with the May meetings:

Greeters: Mark Dripps, Colin Aldis, Ray Johnson, Sue Johnson, Kathleen Harrington, Wendy Shannon, Mark Barebo, Bill Wiktor; Cashier: Karel Weigel, Janice Domke, Terry Sorenson, Dana Funk; Sergeant-at-Arms: John Woodruff; Visitors Desk: Jennifer Woodford, Tank Sholem, Dennis Nigon, Invocations: Mark Neville, Cris Fischer, Milt Tostrud, Jerry Mahon; Four Way Test: Kelly Engler, Dennis Nigon, Mark Neville, Jacqueline Tummons; Introduction of Visitors: Heather Holmes, Mike O'Fallon, Jim Sloan; Presenters: Kathryn Lombardo, Tim Weir, Diane Ilstrup, Sarah Joynt, Dennis Nigon, Jennifer Woodford, YE Students Andreza & Mikkel, Steven Altchular.



# ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER MEMBERSHIP DUES

Members of The Rotary Club of Rochester will soon be asked to pay their 2014-15 Rotary dues. Thank you for your continued participation in Rotary. Your dues help



Rotary carry out humanitarian projects locally and across the globe, in more than 171 countries and regions, to address such issues as poverty, health, hunger, education, and the environment.

Annual dues cover the costs paid to Rotary International, Rotary District 5960, club insurance, and administration. Rotary International and Rotary District 5960 require The Rotary Club of Rochester to pay yearly membership dues of approximately \$124.10 per member which help cover international and district expenses, Rotarian magazine fees, and required Rotary insurance costs. Additionally, our club pays Rotary District 5960 \$325.00 in required training fees to cover the expenses of training our members at district leadership conferences held throughout the year.

Club leadership requests members pay their dues in full or pay by monthly automatic withdrawal, if possible. These methods greatly reduce the amount of administrative time being spent on accounts receivables. If you would like to pay by automatic payment, please print the [direct payment authorization form found online](#) and submit it to the Rotary office. If you have questions or special financial circumstances, please contact the Rotary office or our club treasurer.

## June Rotary Anniversaries

Cory Simonson	1 year
Joe Messick	3 years
Jerry Mahon	5 years
Jerry Lobland	6 years
Jerry Williams	11 years
Dave Moertel	11 years
Warren Harmon	13 years
Patrick Gannon	13 years
Truda Tyce	14 years
Ingrid Neel	17 years
Eric Matteson	17 years
Angie Rustad	17 years
Robert Fontana	24 years
Carl Anderson	34 years
Donald Scholz	35 years
Mac Hamilton	39 years
Edmund Burke	46 years



## BUY KWIK TRIP SCRIP CARDS

Buy a Kwik Trip Scrip gift card; use it like cash at any Kwik Trip, and The Rotary Club of Rochester keeps 10% of the face value of each card. Proceeds will be combined with funds raised at our Biennial



Auction. Scrip cards are available for purchase at the registration table at our Thursday club meetings.

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

CATEGORY	2013-14 GOALS	As of June 1, 2014
Membership <i>(Began Rotary year with 203)</i>	210	207
Rotary International Foundation Annual Program Fund	\$12,000	<b>\$8,616 (72% of goal)</b>
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)

# ARE YOU READY TO BE PART OF THE ROCHESTER ROTARY CLUBS' YOUTH EXCHANGE "FAMILY?"

The three Rochester Rotary clubs will again participate in the Rotary Youth Exchange program during 2014-15. The clubs will sponsor one outbound and two inbound students. The inbound students are 16-year-old boys. One is from Brazil, interested in music and the arts, and hopes to study both in college. The other is from Chile, interested in sports, plays guitar, and would like to be an engineer. Both are very good students and speak English well. We have one host family and need 5 more. If you would enjoy hosting a student or know a family outside of Rotary who might be interested, please contact Michon Rogers or Cris Fischer.

2013-14 Youth Exchange mom, Elaine Case, shares the experience she has shared with husband, Bill Wiktor, as host parents during this past school year, "2013-14 was the first year we have ever had a youth exchange student. Since our own children are now all adults we wondered if this was a good time to take a student but then realized it was a great time for us. We have time to spend with the student, we had experience at raising children and we believe it's a very strong and important Rotary program. After meeting with Cris [Fischer] we accepted. Our experience was very positive, but honestly it's also of course a real responsibility, since we were 'parents' again. We had to relearn things like handling school everything (transportation, teacher conferences, sporting events, homework, appropriate customs/clothing for school dances, etc.), setting ground rules and having food in the house at all times! Given all that, we learned a lot about and from Mikkel including new music, new computer programs/technology and of course Danish everything - customs, food, climate, language, etc. We also immensely enjoyed the opportunity to get to know Andreza and the other Rotary parents and YE staff. Overall - a very rewarding experience."





# Pictures from the April



# Banquet





# PEACE CORPS AND ROTARY KICKOFF HISTORIC COLLABORATION

By Maureen Vaught, Rotary News, 6-May-2014

"In an effort to promote global development and volunteer service, Rotary and Peace Corps have agreed to participate in a one-year pilot program in the Philippines, Thailand, and Togo.

Under the agreement, Rotary clubs and Peace Corps volunteers are encouraged to share their resources and knowledge to boost the impact of development projects in these three countries.

Opportunities for collaboration include supporting community projects, training, networking, and community education. Through the Peace Corps

such as poverty, illiteracy, disease, and lack of access to clean water and sanitation.

The two organizations also agreed to explore expanding the collaboration to more countries based on the results of the pilot. Rotary will enlist the support of its members in recruiting Peace Corps volunteers and involving returned Peace Corps volunteers in service projects at home.

## Rotary members made collaboration possible

Hessler-Radelet credited Rotary members in the Denver area, particularly returned Peace Corps volunteers Sue



*John Osterlund (far left) and Ron Burton watch as Peace Corps Acting Director Carrie Hessler-Radelet and Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko sign a letter of collaboration on a one-year pilot program in the Philippines, Thailand, and Togo.*

*Photo Credit: Rotary International/Alyce Henson*

Partnership Program, Rotary clubs can continue to provide small grants to support volunteers and their communities.

Peace Corps Acting Director Carrie Hessler-Radelet and Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko signed the letter of collaboration on Monday, 5 May, at Rotary's headquarters during a ceremony that was attended by RI President Ron Burton and RPCV Rotary staff. In his remarks to the audience, Burton applauded the collaboration and both organizations' commitments to service.

"Today's announcement is particularly meaningful for me because I come from a family of Rotarians," said Hessler-Radelet, referring to her father, grandfather, and aunt. "We are eager to join together in common efforts to inspire volunteerism across the country and around the world."

Hewko noted how both organizations are committed to improving lives and building stronger communities by addressing the root causes of violence and conflict,

Fox, Valerie Hopkins, and Steve Werner, with helping to make the collaboration possible.

The three Rotarians, who attended the signing, are members of the District 5450 Rotary-Peace Corps Alliance Committee, which has sought a formal agreement between the two organizations since 2010.

Werner said they wanted to create an official relationship to make it easier for Rotary clubs and Peace Corps volunteers to connect. "[The letter] ensures compatibility and a shared value system," he added.

Jesse Davis, one of more than a dozen Rotary employees who are returned Peace Corps volunteers, said he hopes the partnership inspires more like it around the world.

"While serving as a Peace Corps response volunteer in Panama, I found myself working with the local Rotary club on countless occasions. They were an integral partner in my work," he said.

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### Strengthening connections

The letter of collaboration not only officially recognizes the partnership between the two organizations, but also encourages Rotary clubs and Peace Corps volunteers to expand the connections already in place.

In Togo, Peace Corps volunteers Daniel Brown and David Gooze have teamed up with Rotary and other partners in the United States and Togo to distribute more than 5,000 soccer balls to disadvantaged youth. They are organizing 'More Than Just a Game' sessions, which use soccer as a medium to teach children about malaria prevention.

"It's just one example of how Rotary and Peace Corps can collaborate on the ground to achieve lasting impact in the communities where we work," Hessler-Radelet said.

Within the Philippines, Thailand, and Togo, Peace Corps posts and Rotary districts will coordinate at the country level with support from the headquarters of both organizations. Local Rotary clubs interested in working with Peace Corps volunteers should contact their district governors. Clubs located elsewhere should work through their Rotary counterparts in the pilot countries."

## Service Above Self Award



Service Above Self Award Winners Angela Patel, Luke Carlson, Madelyn McCullough with Rotarian Cresta Valentine (not pictured: Michael Siems)

Join Districts 5960, 5970, 5580, & 6000 for a celebration and FUNdraiser supporting PolioPlus!



### Rotary District 5960 hosts Rally with the Twins at Target Field!

Saturday, July 19 at 6:10 pm

### Minnesota Twins vs. Tampa Bay Rays

The Twins anticipate demand for single game tickets to continue. Be sure to order early as our tickets are limited (only 100 box seats) and we will not have an opportunity to order additional tickets.

Order Deadline is Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Tickets will be mailed by Thursday, July 10, 2014

**ALL ROTARIANS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND GUESTS  
WELCOME TO THIS FAMILY EVENT!**

Order tickets at [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org)



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Questions? Call Kathy Hughitt at 651-636-9054 or 800-636-9054 or email [kathy.hughitt@rotary5960.org](mailto:kathy.hughitt@rotary5960.org)



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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](http://www.rotary5960.org)Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)**ROTARY COMMITTEES****CLUB SERVICE I**

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 Vocational Talks .....*Alison Good*  
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