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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 258

AVERAGE JANUARY ATTENDANCE: 64.70%

AMBASSADORS: Michelle Mikkalson, eClub One; Bob Priem. Gulf Shores, TX X4; Jerry Watson, Sioux City, IA

GREATER ROCHESTER: 1/25/05: Caroline Bailey, Lynn Clarey, Sara Gilliland, Ingrid Neel, Jim Orke, Chris Price. 2/2/05: John Edmonson, Jim Orke, Michelle Pyfferoen, Mark Tasler, Brian Younge. 2/0/05: Caroline Bailey, Alan Sessler, Sheldon Sheps, Frank Sharbrough.

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: 1/25/05: Dave Colville, Judith O'Fallon, John Woodruff. 2/1/05: Dave Colville, Vicki Dearth, Doug Rovang, Alan Sessler 2/8/05: Judith O'Fallon, Alan Sessler, Karel Weigel, John Woodruff. 2/15/05: Dave Colville, Karel Weigel.

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Mar. 1	Lorie Luedke	Madison, WI
Mar. 2	Mark Breneman	Minneapolis, MN
	Bob Cline	Belmond, IA
	Warren Harmon	Houston, TX
Mar. 3	Bob MacCarty	Rochester, MN
	Steve Prigge	Rochester, MN
Mar. 5	Jay Toogood	Minneapolis, MN
Mar. 6	David Moertel	Rochester, MN
Mar. 7	Mike O'Fallon	Princeton, MN
Mar. 9	Phil Henoach	Chicago, IL
Mar. 13	Chris Rustad	Rochester, MN
Mar. 15	Beth Warren	Madison, WI
Mar. 17	David Carl	Jacksonville, IN
Mar. 24	Larry Koshier	Winona, MN
Mar. 26	Bari Amadio	Philadelphia, PA
Mar. 27	Lois Nietz	Redwood Falls, MN
Mar. 31	Bill Lower	Wilmington, DE

STRIVE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

All students who complete the STRIVE program receive a 'goodie bag' at the banquet. The bag is a high quality courier bag with the Rotary logo and 'STRIVE' printed on it. We fill the bags with items that will be useful to a college student....pens, pencils, highlighters, mouse pads, notebooks. Post-its, calendars, T-Shirts, books, calculators, caps – use your imagination! Please consider making a contribution of 'stuff' for the goodie bags. We'll need 75 of anything donated and you can contact John Brockman, Audrey Betcher, or Kim Adams to pick your donation up any time before April 8th. Or, if you don't have 'stuff,' you can help underwrite the cost of the bags (\$10/bag). Thank you!

ELECTRONIC MAKEUPS

Can't make it to Rotary? There is an electronic makeup opportunity at www.rotaryclubone.org.

Follow the directions found there, read some Rotary information, then fill out an electronic makeup card. Finally, turn it in to the Rotary Office or forward it to us.

ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks to all of you who staffed the display in the Gallery during birthday week. We also want to thank those of you who donated their advertising spots to Rotary on public radio to make everyone aware of the 100th Birthday of Rotary International.
- We will be having some new menus for the buffet at the Kahler. Thanks to all who responded to the survey. Interesting that there weren't too many great differences in the vote of those listed. Some of the menus we have now will remain as you like them and we will be adding a few new ones.
- We are sorry to announce the Rotary Risers Past President **Rich Gilbertson** passed away February 5 in Pennsylvania after a 50 day battle to recover from an ruptured aortic aneurysm.
- Your board of directors has received and accepted with regrets the resignation of **Glenn Miller** and **Liz Lopez**.
- The grant committee is considering 34 grant requests for the \$43,000 from the Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic. Be sure to be at the awards lunch at the Kahler – all three clubs – on March 10.
- We are still seeking candidates for Ambassadorial Scholarships. Check the February Moccasin Flower for more information.
- It has been decided that we will have a progressive dinner this spring – probably in May. If you would like to chair this event, please let **Dana Funk** know. We would like to have co-chairs for this event.
- Thanks to all who helped with the meetings in February. Greeters: **Danae Ostern, Jim Wiekamp, Larry Kent, Rich Good**. Visitors Desk: **Cindy Sharp, Jim Wiekamp**. Invocations: **Jerry Williams, Allie Good, Marcia Grimm, Brad Lohrbach**. Introduce Visitors: **Leigh Johnson, Phil Karsell, Les Stolte**. Again thanks to **Jerry Balm** for directing members to the right place.
- Do you need a makeup - we are always looking for library hosts. Hours are 6 – 9 PM on Thursday evenings – call the office or sign up at our Rotary meetings.

MARCH ROTARY CALENDAR

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| Mar. 3 | Kahler Hotel, Elizabethan Room
Chris Gade & Director Greg Miller,
"Rochester Civic Theater Presents" |
| Mar. 10 | Kahler Hotel, Heritage Hall,
Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic Awards Luncheon. All three Rochester Rotary Clubs. Mark Kiefer, former Mayo High School basketball coach will be our speaker. "Insight and Memories - A Coach's Perspective" |
| Mar. 17 | Kahler Hotel, Heritage Hall,
St. Patrick's Day program. Nora O'Sullivan singing Gaelic and traditional Irish songs, accompanied by Jane Belau at the piano. |
| Mar. 24 | Kahler Hotel, Elizabethan Room,
Fan Shen, RCTC faculty, author
"Gang of One-Memoirs of Red Guard" |
| Mar. 31 | Kahler Hotel, Elizabethan Room,
Darlene Voeltz, Julie Rodakowski, RCTC faculty
"Volunteering in Tanzania" |

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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| Mar. 10 | Board of Directors Meeting - 7 a.m. - Charter House |
| Mar. 16 | Rotary Information Meeting - 12 noon - Kahler Hotel, Directors Room |

- The board has approved setting up of requirements with a point system for new members to obtain their blue permanent badge. Main purpose is to try to encourage members to become involved in projects. Hopefully this will make new members more aware of what is out there for them to participate and become involved in. We have included the information that new members receive –the page they receive with requirements on one side explanation of activities on the other side.



CONGRATULATIONS TO TWO OF OUR PAST PRESIDENTS ON THE FOLLOWING AWARDS . . .

Dick Edwards, administrator at Charter House, received the Kal Michels administrator of the Year Award, given by the Minneapolis Home Health Association. This is a statewide award designed to honor those who go 'above and beyond' to enhance the work environment in their long-term care facility and the quality of life for their residents and the communities they serve.

Leigh Johnson, CEO of Custom Alarm/Custom Communications Inc. has been named one of Security Sales and Integration magazine's 2004 Entrepreneurs of the Year. Security Sales and Integrations is a leading trade journal in the electronic security industry. Custom Alarm/Custom Communications, Inc. employs over 60 people in the southern Minnesota region.

ROCHESTER ROTARY NAMED WCCO GOOD NEIGHBOR OF THE YEAR

The Salvation Army nominated Rochester Rotary for the WCCO Good Neighbor Award for our Bell Ringing. We received word that we had received the award and the full announcement was on February 4. This award recognized the over 27 years that we have participated in the program and the amount of money raised when Rotary is at the kettles. Way to go Members!

RICH GILBERTSON BREAKFAST – MARCH 9

There will be an informal breakfast in honor of Rich Gilbertson (past president Greater

Rochester Rotary who passed away recently). In true Gilbertson style it will be held at Cheap Charlie's (Rich's favorite place to go...if he was buying) at 11 5th St NW, Rochester at 7 AM.

For those of you 'late risers' we will be having drinks at Brothers Bar and Grill, 812 Broadway South, at 4:43 (cuz Rich would like it if we all skipped out early to have a drink with him). No program. Just come and share your favorite 'Rich' story.

Contact Rich Good, Gamehaven Council – 287-1410 if you are planning to attend.

TOO YOUNG FOR ROTARY?

Did you know that centennial RI President Glenn Estess Sr. was 32 when he joined Rotary? Sometimes young professionals are turned away as prospective members by clubs who consider them too young for Rotary. The next time you're thinking about who to propose for membership, consider the age at which these past RI presidents joined Rotary:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age at Induction</u>
2003-04	Johnathan B. Majiyagbe	33
2002-03	Bhichai Rattakul	31
2000-01	Frank J. Devlyn	30
1998-99	James L. Lacy	34
1987-98	Glen W. Kinross	29
1996-97	Luis Vicente Giay	22
1995-96	Herbert G. Brown	22
1992-93	Clifford L. Dochterman	33
1991-92	Rajendra K. Saboo	26
1990-91	Paulo V.C. Costa	26
1987-88	Charles C. Keller	27
1984-85	Carlos Canseco Gonzalez	28

If any of these individuals had not been invited into Rotary because they were "too young," their clubs as well as Rotary International would have missed out on the huge contributions of service and leadership that they have provided throughout their many years of involvement. By not inducting younger members now, Rotary could be forfeiting a whole generation of future leaders.



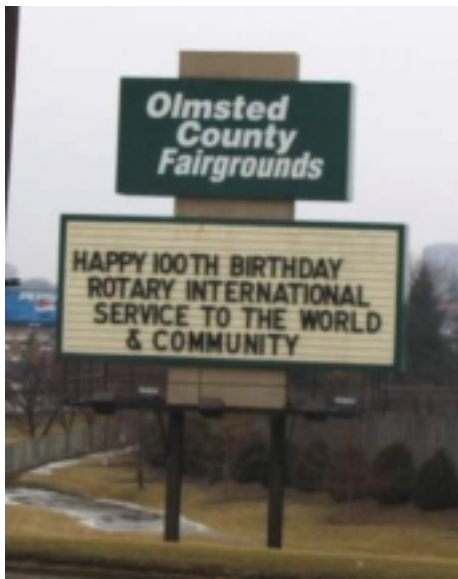
ROTARY PHOTO GALLERY



Cindy Sharp buys her diamond raffle ticket and Dana Funk sells Birthday Bash tickets.



Doug Rovang gives an update on the Basketball Tourney.



The Olmsted County Fairgrounds celebrates Rotary's 100th Birthday.



Greater Rochester Rotary Birthday Bash reps Dave Blegan and Jan Hoag.



Welcome new member Kelly McDonough, First Alliance Credit Union, and her sponsor Mary Callier.

The Rotary Club of Rochester Red Badge to Blue Badge Requirements

Points Required: 100

	<u>Points Possible</u>	<u>Number of Times</u>	<u>Points Earned</u>
CLUB SERVICE			
Attend a regular weekly meeting	2	_____	_____
Make up at another club (other Rochester club) *	2	_____	_____
Make up at a club outside of Rochester *	4	_____	_____
Bring a guest to a regular meeting (first time)	5	_____	_____
Bring a guest to a regular meeting (each subsequent time)	1	_____	_____
Serve as a greeter at a regular meeting *	2	_____	_____
Serve as helper at the back desk at a regular meeting *	2	_____	_____
Give invocation at a regular meeting	2	_____	_____
Serve on a committee - non social *	5	_____	_____
Serve on a committee - social *	3	_____	_____
Serve as a committee chair - non social *	10	_____	_____
Serve as a committee chair - social *	6	_____	_____
Attend annual District Conference *	5	_____	_____
Sponsor a new member	10	_____	_____
VOCATIONAL SERVICE			
Be a Rotation Day host *	10	_____	_____
Present vocational talk at a meeting	4	_____	_____
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE			
Become a Paul Harris fellow *	10	_____	_____
Become a Paul Harris Sustaining Member *	4	_____	_____
Become a Rotary Benefactor *	10	_____	_____
Serve as home or business host for Group Study Exchange Team Member *	3	_____	_____
Attend Rotary International Convention	10	_____	_____
Attend "On to Winnipeg" International Goodwill Meeting	10	_____	_____
Host Rotary exchange student for 3 months	50	_____	_____
COMMUNITY SERVICE			
Participate in special service project approved by club board	5	_____	_____
Volunteer as a Salvation Army bell ringer	4	_____	_____
Volunteer as a STRIVE mentor *	10	_____	_____
Serve as a library host (per time served) *	2	_____	_____
Volunteer at the US Bank Rotary Holiday Classic *	4	_____	_____
Volunteer at the Quarry Hill Fall Festival *	4	_____	_____
Volunteer as a Rotary reader *	4	_____	_____

*See next page for further explanation

TOTAL POINTS _____

NAME _____

DATE COMPLETED _____

SIGNATURE _____

Return to Lois Nietz when completed.

Explanation of Activities for Red Badge to Blue Badge Requirements

Make up at another club (other Rochester club)

Attend a Rotary meeting at either the Risers (Tuesday mornings) or the Greater Rochester Rotary (Wednesday noon) for make up.

Make up at another club outside of Rochester

Attend a Rotary meeting at a club outside of Rochester for make up.

Serve as a greeter at a regular meeting

Meet and greet members as they come into the meeting. Director of Club Service usually contacts new members for this.

Serve as helper at the back desk at a regular meeting

Assist guests and visiting Rotarians when they arrive at the meeting.

Serve on a committee – non social

Serve as committee member on any club event that needs a committee that is community service related.

Serve on a committee – social

Serve as committee member on any club event that needs a committee that is social in nature.

Serve as committee chair – non social

Serve as committee chair on any club event that needs a committee that is community service related.

Serve on a committee chair – social

Serve as committee chair on any club event that needs a committee that is social in nature.

Attend annual District Conference

This conference is usually held in April of each year and is hosted by a member club. The conference consists of learning and social activities related to Rotary in our district and around the world. The conference usually takes place on a Friday and Saturday.

Be a Rotation Day host

Periodically, the Club has a "Rotation Day". This meeting is held at someone's place of work and allows the host member to show fellow Rotarians what their business is about. The number of members attending each location is dependent on how many the host can accommodate.

Become a Paul Harris fellow

A donation of \$1,000 to Rotary International allows one to become a Paul Harris fellow. The funds are used for humanitarian purposes around the world.

Become a Paul Harris Sustaining Member

Make a donation of \$100 and pledge to bring that amount to \$1,000 over a period of years to eventually become a Paul Harris fellow.

Become a Rotary Benefactor

You become a Rotary Benefactor when you include Rotary in your estate plan.

Serve as home or business host for Group Study Exchange Team Member

Periodically, the club hosts a Rotarian team leader and business leaders from some other district in the world. Local Rotarians can host certain team members at their place of business (especially if they have similar business backgrounds) and also may serve as home host for local lodging.

Volunteer as a STRIVE mentor

This involves a Rotarian becoming a mentor to an at-risk high school youth that wants some guidance. You meet once a month in a group setting at their school during the regular school year.

Serve as a library host

This involves just having an adult "presence" at the Rochester Public Library at an evening during the week.

Volunteer at the US Bank Rotary Holiday Classic

This involves working at the annual basketball tournament held between Christmas and New Years. Usual shifts run around two hours. Tasks could include selling tickets, taking tickets or selling programs.

Volunteer at the Quarry Hill Fall Festival

The Fall Festival is Quarry Hill Nature Center's main fundraiser. It is held in September and volunteering involves a shift helping sell food at the food booth.

Volunteer as a Rotary reader

This excellent program involves volunteering for a shift at Riverside Center Elementary school. Rotarians meet one-on-one with a student and that student reads to them. It allows this student to have the opportunity to read aloud where at home they may not have an English speaking parent to read to.

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ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER

Rochester, Minnesota

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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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WEB SITES

Rochester Rotary Club: www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org

Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: www.rotary5960.org

Rotary International: rotary.org

ACTIVE COMMITTEES

Four Avenues of Service
Club, Vocational, Community International

CLUB SERVICE I

Warren Harmon, Director - 538-1236

Classification *Lynn Clarey*
 Greeters *Rich Good*
 Membership Development *Mike O'Fallon*
 Visitors Desk *Bari Amadio*
 Sergeant-at-Arms *John Woodruff*

CLUB SERVICE II

Chris Cross, Director - 282-0910

Club Bulletin *Lorie Luedke, Lois Nietz*
 Historian
 Invocations *Allie Good*
 Programs *Karen Ricklefs*
 Public Relations *Jane Belau*

CLUB SERVICE III

Dana Funk, Director - 282-9468

Bell Ringing - Salvation Army *Rick Lien*
 Golf Day *Rick Lien*
 Music *Ann Beatty, Jane Belau, Linda Herrick*
 Rotary Information *Leigh Johnson*

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Kim Adams, Director - 285-1026

Rotation Day *Kim Adams*
 STRIVE *Audrey Betcher, John Brockman*
 Vocational Talks *Kim Adams*
 Auction 2006 *Vicki Dearth*

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Vicki Dearth, Director - 287-7100

Library Host *Allan Sessler*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic ... *Paul Barton/Lynn Clarey/*
 *Cal Guyer/Cris Fischer/Al DeBoer/Mark Tasler/*
 *Nate Johnson/Mike Quinn/Doug Rovang*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Laurel Schacht*
 Rotary Reading Project *Norman Hepper*
 Service Above Self Awards *Marie Maher*
 Student Guests *Keri Smith*
 Camp RYLA *Doug Rovang*

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Bob Cline, Director - 282-3603

Foundational Scholarships *Linda Rings*
 Group Study Exchange Team *Gilda Banfield*
 Rotary International Foundation *Dick Edwards*
 Youth Exchange *Mike Busch*
 Gift of Life *Mary Jo Kelly*
 World Community Service *Glenn VanLaningham*