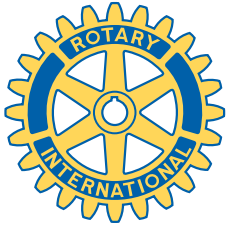


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## VITAL STATISTICS

**MEMBERSHIP:** 210

**FEBRUARY ATTENDANCE:** 47.64%

**AMBASSADORS (Meetings outside of Rochester):**  
Rotary Club of Bonita Springs: **Bill Wiktor**; Rotary Club of Ely, MN: **Dave Piegras & Jane Piegras**; Rotary Club of North Colorado Springs: **George Allen**; Rotary on the *Queen Elizabeth*: **Bill Wiktor**; eClub One: **Sarah Burrington**

**GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY:** **Cris Fischer, Teresa Blythe**

**MEMBERS ON LEAVE:** **Gilda Banfield, Carla Nelson**

**DEATH:** **Robert "Bob" Sheridan**

**NEW MEMBERS:** **Dave Piegras, Malea Schroeder, Hugh Smith**

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
March 1	<b>Lorie Luedke</b>	Madison, WI
March 2	<b>Warren Harmon</b>	Houston, TX
March 3	<b>Bob MacCarty</b>	Rochester, MN
March 6	<b>David Moertel</b>	Rochester, MN
March 7	<b>Mike O'Fallon</b>	Princeton, MN
March 12	<b>Karen Nelson</b>	Albert Lea, MN
March 14	<b>Jeff Amundson</b>	Rochester, MN
March 19	<b>Jason Boynton</b>	Winona, MN
	<b>Dave Piegras</b>	Luverne, MN
March 22	<b>Jennifer Woodford</b>	Park Ridge, IL
March 24	<b>Larry Koshire</b>	Winona, MN
March 26	<b>Bari Amadio</b>	Philadelphia, PA
March 27	<b>Maria Brown</b>	Faribault, MN
	<b>Lois Nietz</b>	Redwood Falls, MN

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

## ROTARY US BANK HOLIDAY CLASSIC AWARDS LUNCHEON

Please mark your calendars and plan to join other Rochester Rotarians and community members to celebrate the success of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Holiday Classic basketball tournament. The event will take place on Thursday, March 21, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm at the Kahler's Windsor Hall. This meeting will be hosted by Rochester Rotary Risers, and it is the only Rotary meeting in



Rochester that week. The program is yet to be determined. Awards will be presented to the four Rochester high schools' basketball programs and numerous community grant recipients. Rotarians must register to participate. Please sign up online at <http://rochesterrotaryclubs.org/trcr/>

## Rotary Birthday Celebration!



# ROTARY NEWS

• Thanks to all who helped with the February meetings:  
 Greeters: **Lois Nietz, Wes Duellman, Christine Beech, Don Scholz, Sue Johnson, Ray Johnson, Pamela Meyer, Audrey Betcher**; Cashier: **Dana Funk, Danae Ostern**; Visitors Desk: **Christine Beech, Janice Domke, Dana Funk, Bari Amadio**; Music: **Ann Beatty, Judith O'Fallon**; Invocations: **Phil Karsell, Harriet Hodgson, Steve Courts, Jerry Mahon**; Four Way Test: **David Harbert, Lynn Clarey, Linda Bonow, Cris Fischer**; Introduction of Visitors: **Leigh Johnson, Vicki Allen, Merlin Ricklefs**; Presenters: **Betsy Singer & David Springer, Bill Willingham, Kimber Schletty, Byron Callies, Connie Kurth & Chris Wolf.**

## March Rotary Anniversaries

Harriet Hodgson	2 years
Joanne Martin	3 years
Sarah Stauder	5 years
Steve Courts	5 years
Bill Wiktor	7 years
Stacy Sinner	7 years
David Tines	8 years
Michael Mahrer	8 years
Margaret Hinz	9 years
Ann Beatty	9 years
Anne Berberich	9 years
Rodney Anderson	10 years
Mark Utz	11 years
Ralph Spiekerman	12 years
Stephen Sponsel	13 years
Suzanne Dinusson	16 years
Thomas Moyer	29 years
Leigh Johnson	42 years



## THURSDAY MEETING CHANGES

Due to increases in recent years to the club for the cost of our Thursday meetings, beginning February 7, Rotarians who eat lunch will pay \$13. In effort to be fair to all concerned, non-eating members will pay \$5. The monies collected over the cost of food will help cover facility charges each week for services, taxes, gratuity, and audio visual.

## MARCH ROTARY CALENDAR

- March 7**      **Kahler Hotel - Windsor Hall - 11:30 am - 1 pm, "Secondhand Smoke: The Science and Big Tobacco's Smokescreen,"** Rotarian Richard Hurt.
- March 14**    **Kahler Hotel - Elizabethan Room - 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, "Project Lead the Way –Literacy Program,"** Sonya McNamara & Cindy Lund.
- March 21**    **Kahler Hotel - Windsor Hall - 11:30 am -1:00 pm, "Holiday Classic Awards Luncheon.**
- March 28**    **Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - "Fresh Energy,"** J. Drake.

## OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- March 4**      **Channel One Service,** Channel One Building, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- March 11**    **Salvation Army Dinner Service,** 5:45-7:00 p.m.; Salvation Army Building
- March 12**    **STRIVE, John Marshall High School,** 8:10 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.
- March 13**    **Board of Directors Meeting - 7:00-8:00 a.m.,** Kahler Grand Hotel
- March 13**    **STRIVE, Mayo High School,** 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- March 13**    **Community Food Response,** 1:15-6:45 p.m., Bethel Lutheran Church
- March 14**    **STRIVE, Century High School,** 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- March 20**    **Rotary Information Meeting,** 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Custom Alarm Conference Room
- March 25**    **Salvation Army Dinner Service,** 5:45-7:00 p.m., Salvation Army Building

**ROTARY eCLUB ONE**  
[www.rotaryclubone.org/](http://www.rotaryclubone.org/)

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

CATEGORY	2012-13 GOALS	As of February 2013
<b>Membership</b> <i>(Began Rotary year with 215)</i>	240	<b>210</b>
<b>Rotary Foundation - Annual Program Fund</b>	\$12,000	\$10,102.45 (84% of goal)
<b>Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)</b>	100%	<b>24%</b>
<b>Polio Plus</b> <i>(from Auction proceeds and individual contributions)</i>	\$2,500	\$2,800
<b>District 5960 Fast for Hope Project</b> <i>(from Auction proceeds)</i>	\$1,000	\$1,000

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



New Rotarians **Hugh Smith** and **Dave Piegras** with Rotarian **Aynsley Smith**.



Rotarian **Vicki Allen** with new Rotarian **Malea Schroeder**.

## OUR MOST RECENT PAUL HARRIS FELLOW RECIPIENTS



Congratulations to our most recent Paul Harris Fellow recipients.

New Paul Harris Fellow **Armin Budimlic**.



Paul Harris Fellows **Jim Sloan** and **Alison Good**.



# Congratulations to our graduates!

The following family members and STRIVE mentees of Rotarians are 2012-13 graduates. They will be recognized at our March 14 meeting.



<u>Student</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Rotarian</u>
Alexis Lessard	Universtiy of Minnesota – Twin Cities	Kathy Lessard
Kevin Luedke	The Art Institutes International Minnesota	Lorie Luedke
Ryan Moertel	University of WI - Eau Claire	Dave Moertel
Catherine Karsell	Century High School	Phil Karsell
Graham Massot	Century High School	Chuck Kennedy
Ariana Shives	Mayo High School	Tom Shives
Lina Yahya	John Marshall High School (STRIVE)	Vicki Allen

## GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP

Applicants are now being sought for the new global grant scholarship from Rotary District 5960. Worth \$30,000 annually, this exclusive scholarship will help fund a graduate-level student from the Rochester area, southeastern Minnesota or western Wisconsin to pursue educational and service dreams generating impact in the areas of Rotary's new future vision focus:

- Peace and conflict prevention/ resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development



Global grant scholarship applications are now available at [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org) (click on Foundation tab). Qualified candidates must submit completed application for review and support by their local Rotary Club by **March 15, 2013**. Approved candidates need to submit their final application via email to Bill Gaddis at [gaddtron@gmail.com](mailto:gaddtron@gmail.com) by April 19, 2013. Interviews for district finalists will be conducted on May 11, 2013 in the Twin Cities. Scholarship recipient will then be able to study at an international university starting fall 2014.

For more information about the global grant scholarship eligibility, visit [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org) (click on Foundation tab), or Bill Gaddis, [gaddtron@gmail.com](mailto:gaddtron@gmail.com).

Rotary is the world's largest privately-funded source of international scholarships and has more than 30,000 Rotary clubs in over 200 countries and geographic regions.

## ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES

How many times has a colleague, friend, or new contact asked you what Rotary is? If you have an iPhone or iPad, you can now respond by showing a one-minute video that explains Rotary in the words of everyday Rotarians.

Rotary Minute is a series of videos featuring Rotary club members from around the world discussing a variety of topics, such as "How have you benefited from being a Rotarian?" In addition to being

available on Vimeo, Rotary Minute is now offered through a free podcast subscription on iTunes.

View the podcasts on the Apple iPhone or iPad, or on a PC or Mac that has iTunes installed. Just visit the iTunes store and search for "Rotary Minute" to find and download episodes. (reprinted from Rotary International News — 12 December 2011)

Rotary Club of Rochester members are encouraged to invite friends and colleagues into Rotary as the club works to increase membership and promote "Service Above Self" in our community. If you know someone who would make a good Rotarian, please consider inviting him/her to attend a meeting, join in one of the club's many service activities, or attend the March information meeting taking place on Wednesday, March 20, 4:00 - 6:30 pm at Custom Alarm.



# PEACE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Applicants are now being sought for scholarships to earn a two year, masters level degree in international studies, and peace and conflict resolution. Rotary International will award 60 such scholarships to six universities worldwide later this year. In addition approximately 50 scholarships for a 3 month Professional Development Certificate Program at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand will be awarded. Nominees will be forwarded from District #5960 to Rotary International through a selection process set to begin immediately. Awards will be for the masters program will be for the 2014-16 term.

The Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution is a major educational priority of The Rotary Foundation. The Foundation has established partnerships with universities in Japan, Sweden, England, Australia, Thailand and North Carolina in the United States. Rotary's goal is to provide educational opportunities to a group of World Peace Fellows in order to advance knowledge and world understanding among future world leaders. The centers will also advance research, teaching publication and knowledge of issues of peace, goodwill and causes of conflict.



Applicants, among other requirements, must have earned an undergraduate degree and be proficient in a second language. For additional information, all eligibility and program requirements, and to print an application, see the Rotary International website at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and click on "Students and Youth" or contact Jingle Mahan at [jingle@rotary5960.org](mailto:jingle@rotary5960.org).

Applications are due to local Rotary Clubs by April 5, 2013 (please contact Jingle Mahan at [jingle@rotary5960.org](mailto:jingle@rotary5960.org) if you do not know your local club).

Endorsements by local clubs will then be sent to the district level by April 19, 2013. In-person interviews for district finalists will be conducted June 1, 2013 in Minneapolis/St. Paul metro area (candidates must be present to interview in person) with the nominee's name forwarded to the international office by June 15, 2013. Awards will be announced by Rotary International in fall 2013.

## "LIKE" THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER ON FACEBOOK!



A visit, then a letter, then a phone call, then an email, and now a post – it is the evolution of how we "check up" on one another. The Rotary Club of Rochester has recently created a Facebook page as a means of communication with our members. If you are a Facebook user, please visit our page and "like" us. There is a link on our website under "What's New" and on the shared Rochester Rotary main page under "Related Links."

As an organization, rather than an individual, it would be helpful to have a group of members maintain our page. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth at the Rotary Office or Rotarian Brian Welke.

## ROTARY SERVICE AT (CFR) COMMUNITY FOOD RESPONSE

Members of The Rotary Club of Rochester give community service at CFR on the second Wednesday of each month. Volunteers are needed in three service areas: pick up food from the participating restaurants (1:00pm – 3:00 pm), organize the food and get it ready to distribute (1:30 pm – 4:30 pm),



and distribute the food to recipients (4:45pm – 6:45pm). The work for CFR is done in the lower level kitchen of Bethel Lutheran Church, located at 810 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SE. An email is sent to recruit volunteers one week prior to the service day. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Glenn VanLaningham or Phil Karsell.

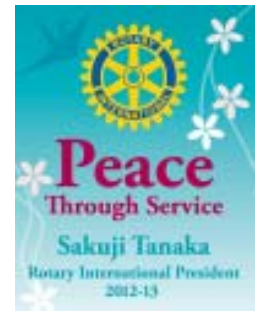
### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING FOR ROTARY DISTRICT 5960

The Annual Meeting of the District for the Fiscal Year 2012-13 will be held on Friday, April 19 at the Holiday Inn East, 2201 Burns Avenue, St Paul, MN 55119 (I-94 and McKnight Road intersection), in conjunction with the 2013 District Conference. The meeting will commence at 4:30 through 5:45 p.m.

# Rotary 5960 District Conference

April 18-20, 2013, Holiday Inn East, St. Paul

Join other Rotarians from our club and all over District at the upcoming conference on April 19 and 20. Learn more at <http://rotary5960.org>. Click on What's New?  
Registration deadline is April 11.



## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

### Friday, April 19, 2013

7:30 am	Registration Opens (main floor)
8:00 - 11:30 am	District Assembly (training for 2013-2014 officers) <b>(no charge)</b>
9:00 - 11:00 am	Opportunity Cafe set up (2nd floor hallway)
11:00 - 11:30 am	Credentialing for club delegates to Annual Business Meeting (first floor registration)
11:00 am	Opportunity Cafe/Social Networking opens
Noon - 1:30 pm	Luncheon and Keynote (Lynn Casey, CEO of Padilla, Speer, Beardsley-premiere Public Image firm) "Recruitment and Retention: Cracking the Code!" <b>(\$30 per person)</b>
1:45 - 2:45 pm	Breakout Sessions 1 (complete schedule/list coming soon)
2:45 - 3:15 pm	Break-Opportunity Cafe open
3:15 - 4:15 pm	Breakout Sessions Block 2 (complete schedule/list coming soon)
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Credentialing for club delegates to Annual Business Meeting (first floor registration)
4:30 - 5:45 pm	Annual Business Meeting for club delegates (V One Restaurant-main floor) Speaker RI Rep Christine Etienne
6:00 - 6:45 pm	Reception (Opportunity Cafe closes)
6:45 - 8:45 pm	Dinner - Keynote by RI Representative PDG Christine Etienne (D6290) "Working for Peace Through Service" <b>(\$50 per person)</b>  "A Tribute to the Chairman of the Board" Rotarian Ron Reynolds Sings Frank Sinatra Governor Kovarik "After Hours" (V One Restaurant-main floor)

### Saturday, April 20, 2013

8:00 am - noon	Registration opens (main floor)
7:30 - 9:00 am	Breakfast on the Run (to the bus) <b>(\$15 per person)</b>
8:30 am	Bus departs for Feed My Starving Children
9:00 - 11:00 am	District Conference participants will truly pursue "Peace Through Service." Hands-on opportunity. Attendees will pack food at the <u>Eagan location of Feed My Starving Children</u> . Transportation will be provided to and from the hotel to the packing site for those who desire it. We can accommodate 90 volunteers for this hands-on international service project, so sign up early to insure your spot.
11:30 am	Bus returns to Holiday Inn East <b>(\$5 per person)</b>
11:45 - 12:30	Country Fair with Youth Exchange students
12:30 - 1:45 pm	Youth Exchange Buffet Luncheon - Marilyn Fitzgerald, Ph.D. Dr. Fitzgerald consults with organizations investing in projects intended to achieve sustainable outcomes. Currently, she is involved in micro-loan projects in rural western Guatemala. She is author of <i>If I had a Water Buffalo: Microfinance as a Means to Sustainability</i> , published November 2012 and addressing the essentials of humanitarian aid. <b>(\$30 per person)</b>
2:00 pm	Conference adjourns

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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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**WEB SITES**

Rochester Rotary: [www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org](http://www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org)

Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org)

Rotary International: [rotary.org](http://rotary.org)

**ROTARY COMMITTEES****CLUB SERVICE I**

Sue Johnson, Director

Greeters ..... *Colin Aldis*  
 Membership Development ..... *Vicki Allen*  
 Rotary Information Officer ..... *Leigh Johnson*  
 Visitors Desk ..... *Kathy Lessard*  
 Sergeant-at-Arms ..... *John Woodruff*  
 Mentors ..... *Milt Tostrud*

**CLUB SERVICE II**

Bill Wiktor, Director

Club Bulletin ..... *Elizabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke*  
 Club Web Site ..... *Elizabeth Karsell*  
 Invocations ..... *Bill Wiktor*  
 Programs ..... *Dana Funk*  
 Public Relations ..... *Paul Barton*  
 Four-Way Test ..... *Steve Sponsel*

**CLUB SERVICE III**

Anne Berberich, Director

Biennial Auction ..... *Mark Dripps, Dana Funk*  
 Golf Day ..... *Mark Dripps*  
 Music ..... *Ann Beatty*  
 Social Events ..... *Anne Berberich*

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Foundational Scholarships .....  
 Group Study Exchange Team ..... *Maria Brown*  
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 Youth Exchange ..... *Cris Fischer*  
 Rotary Gift of Life ..... *Betty Devine*  
 World Community Service ..... *Judith O'Fallon*

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 Rotary Literacy Coordinator ..... *Stacy Sinner*  
 Rotation Day ..... *Danae Ostern*  
 STRIVE ..... *Mark Dripps, Diane Ilstrup*  
 Vocational Talks ..... *Alison Good*  
 Youth Protection Officer ..... *Michon Rogers*

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Diane Ilstrup, Director

Channel One ..... *Tom Moyer, Phet Saysomphou*  
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 Library Hosts ..... *Mary Jo Kelly*  
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival ..... *Steve Sponsel*  
 Rotary Bell Ringing for Salvation Army ..... *Fred Suhler*  
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic ..... *Teresa Blythe, Lynn Clarey, Elizabeth Karsell, Lorie Luedke, Bill Nietz, Lois Nietz, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht, Steve Stenhaus, Lorrie Swancutt*  
 Salvation Army Dinners .... *Linda Hillenbrand, Sue Johnson*  
 Service Above Self Awards ..... *Cresta Valentine*  
 Student Guests ..... *Sara Gilliland*  
 White Oaks Park ..... *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*