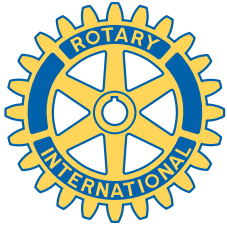


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## VITAL STATISTICS

**MEMBERSHIP:** 238

**AMBASSADORS:** Fred Banfield, Gilda Banfield, Mark Dripps, Dana Funk, David Moertel, Judy O'Fallon, Mike O'Fallon, Karen Ricklefs, Merlin Ricklefs, Karel Weigel - District Conference in Mankato; **David Colville** - Whakatane, New Zealand; **Sheldon Sheps** - University Club, Minneapolis, Golden Valley, St. Louis Park; **Arthur Raak** - Winona

**GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY:** Caroline Baihly, Lynn Clarey, Judy O'Fallon, Mike O'Fallon, Frank Streit

**RISERS:** John Woodruff

**ECLUB:** Mark Cairns, Borge M. Christensen, Arthur Raak, Marv Ramsay, Nicole Pierson

**RESIGNATIONS:** Mike Grinnell, Angie Welchert, Larry Kent, Jodi Millerbernd

May 27 special event:  
Rotary International  
President-Elect  
Ray Klingensmith  
RSVP requested by May 21



We have the privilege of hosting Ray Klingensmith at our May 27th meeting - it is a special honor to have him as our guest/speaker and we hope that everyone will plan to attend. We have also extended the invitation to District Leadership and all Clubs in our District - we are expecting a large turnout and for that reason, we need you to RSVP that you will be attending. Please email Peggy and let her know that you are attending - you are welcome to bring guests. You do not need to contact Peggy if you are NOT attending.

Our club members do you not need to pay for lunch in advance - you can pay at the meeting like you always do. We need to give a guarantee to the Kahler several days prior to the event, so please RSVP by May 21st.

This is a once in a life time opportunity and we want you to be a part of it!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
May 3	Tom Fitzgerald	Rochester, MN
	Karel Weigel	Hopkinton, Iowa
May 4	Borge M. Christensen	Odense, Denmark
May 5	Stacy Sinner	Pipestone, MN
May 6	Sarah Burrington	Rochester MN
May 8	James Seward	
May 10	Dave Colville	Philadelphia, PA
	John Woodruff	Rochester, MN
May 11	Bill Harreld	Chorokoo, IA
	Hal Henderson	Boone, IA
	Fred Nobrega	Kansas City, MO
May 13	Tim Weir	South Bend, IN
May 14	Alison Bach Good	Rochester, MN
May 16	Brian Younge	Edmonton Alberta Canada
May 17	David Westgard	Minot, ND
May 18	Mark Cairns	St James, MN
May 20	Dennis Nigon	Waukon, IA
May 21	Tim Sitzer	Rochester, MN
May 22	Carla Nelson	Webster City, IA
	Lorrie Swancutt	Rochester, MN
	Jon Ewing	Des Moines, IA
May 23	John Brandrup	Mankato, MN
	Lance Papenfuss	Rochester, MN
May 24	Hilla Ferguson	New York City, NY
May 27	Brad Lohrbach	Austin, MN
May 28	Dana Funk	Mankato, MN
May 30	Barbara Hight-Randall	Rochester, MN

Happy Birthday to all of you!

# ROTARY NEWS

- **Thanks for your assistance at the April meetings –** Invocations: **Sarah Burrington, Allie Good, Bill Wiktor**; Introduction of Visitors: **Leigh Johnson, Phil Karsell**; Visitor’s Desk: **Angie Welchert, Sue Dripps, Christine Beech**; Greeters: **Mark Jo Kelly, Jerry Mahon**; 4 Way Test: **Lois Nietz, Marv Ramsay, Cris Fischer, Paul Tieskoetter**; Cashier: **James Gibson**; A/V Equipment Setup: **Dan Skinner**; Music: **Ann Beatty**

• **Lynn Clarey** shared his Vocational Talk with us – thank you!

• Thank you **Stacy Sinner and Steve Rossello** for transporting our Camp RYLA students to and from camp.

• Special thanks to the following people for welcoming the Nigerian GSE Team to Rochester!

Host families: **Dana Funk, Sarah Burrington, Stacy Sinner**. Drivers: **Jim Sloan, Milt Tostrud, Glen VanLaningham, Fred Banfield**. Community tour hosts: **Linda Bonow, Mike and Judith O’Fallon**. Vocational visit host: **Nickie Froiland**. Luncheon hosts: **Cynthia Daube, Mayor Ardell Brede, Sandra Means** (representing the City Council). Potluck supper hosts: **Karen and Merlin Ricklefs**.

And of course, **Gilda Banfield** and **Dave Moertel** for working so hard to make sure our visitors had an unforgettable Rochester experience!

## 100% CLUB

The following 49 members had 100% attendance for the month of April:

Kim Adams, George Allen, Vicki Allen, Jeff Amundson, Rod Anderson, Caroline Baihly, Fred Banfield, Gilda Banfield, Barb Banner, Ann Beatty, Christine Beech, Jane Belau, Anne Berberich, John Brandrup, Maria Brown, Tom Bruckman, Sarah Burrington, Borge M. Christensen, Cynthia Daube, Betty Devine, Mark Dripps, Cris Fischer, Dana Funk, Diane Ilstrup, Leigh Johnson, Sue Johnson, Kathy Lessard, Rick Lien, Lorie Luedke, David Moertel, Lois Nietz, Judy O’Fallon, Mike O’Fallon, Dan O’Neil, Bob Priem, Karen Ricklefs, Merlin Ricklefs, Steve Rossello, Phet Saysomphou, Laurel Schacht, Stacy Sinner, Fred Suhler, Lorrie Swancutt, George Thompson, Paul Tieskoetter, Glenn VanLaningham, Karel Weigel, Jim Wiekamp, Bill Wiktor, Jerry Williams, John Woodruff.

*(If your name is not listed and you think it should be, please contact Peggy so that our attendance records can be corrected).*

## MAY ROTARY CALENDAR

May 6	<b>Rotation Day</b>
May 13	<b>Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -</b> Walter Franz, MD, “Army Doc’s Experiences in the Desert” (Service Above Self Awards)
May 20	<b>Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -</b> Chris Farrell, Economics Editor for American Public Media’s weekly “Marketplace Money” show – “The New Frugality: How to Consume Less, Save More and Live Better” (Graduating Senior Recognition)
May 27	<b>Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -</b> Ray Klinginsmith, Rotary International President, 2010-2011

## OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

May 3	<b>Channel One -</b> 6:00-8:00 p.m.
May 12	<b>Community Food Response -</b> Contact Glenn VanLaningham or Paul Bleimeyer
May 13	<b>Rotary Board of Directors Meeting</b> 7:00 a.m., Directors Room, Kahler Hotel
May 18	<b>Rotary Information Meeting -</b> Noon - Mayo Brothers Room, Kahler Hotel
May 20	<b>White Oaks Park Clean-up –</b> 6:00-7:00 pm

## FOUNDATION UPDATE



As of April 30, 2010, 111 members have donated \$13,716 to the Rotary Foundation. Our goal is 100% participation by our members and total contributions of \$20,000. The amount of your donation is not important BUT your participation is. Please send your check to the Rotary office by June 15. Thank you for helping us to reach our goals!

## Welcome to our newest members!

We are pleased to welcome **Chris Holloway, Mike Kilgallin, Kendall Lee** and **Armin Budlimic** into our club.

- **Chris** is the Global Accounts Manager for Sunstone Hotels and was proposed by **Brad Jones**
- **Mike** is the President of Crossroads College and was proposed by **Jim Sloan**.
- **Kendall** is a physician in the Departments of Neurologic Surgery and Physiology and Biomedical Engineering at the Mayo Clinic and was proposed by **Jim Wiekamp**.
- **Armin** is the Associate Director of Intercultural Mutual Assistance Association and was proposed by **Karel Weigel**.

Please give our new members a warm Rotary welcome!



Jim Sloan, Mike Kilgallin, Chris Holloway, Brad Jones



Karel Weigel, Armin Budimlic, Kendall Lee, Jim Wiekamp

## Do you have a graduating senior?

If you have a graduating senior in your family, please plan to bring them to Rotary on May 20. Please contact Peggy with their name(s) and the best way to contact them. We will be recognizing all high school (or other academic) graduates at our meeting on May 20 – even if they can't attend, please contact Peggy with their information and we will announce them at the meeting.



## Rotary Anniversaries

James Seward	1 year
Maria Brown	2 years
Leon Clark	3 years
Christian Milaster	3 years
Lorrie Swancutt	4 years
Betty Hutchins	4 years
Brad Jones	5 years
Nickie Froiland	6 years
Beth Warren	8 years
Cris Fischer	10 years
Christopher Colby	11 years
Tom Behrenbeck	12 years
Chris Cross	13 years
Rick Lien	13 years
Jane Piepgras	13 years
Marv Ramsay	13 years
Barbara Hight-Randall	14 years
Sheldon Sheps	16 years
Charles Kennedy	18 years
Paul Grassle	26 years
Phillip Henoach	26 years
Bob MacCarty	27 years
Dan Skinner	32 years
Lance Thorkelson	34 years



Thank you for your continued service to Rotary and to our Club. You are appreciated!

## The Rotary Club of Salmon, Idaho, is hosting several trips this summer as a fund raiser

YOU'RE INVITED to visit Idaho's Continental Divide country. The Salmon Rotary Club has partnered with local Idaho river and horse trip outfitters to offer vacation packages for Rotarians and their families. The fully outfitted and guided trips include a 4 day river trip on the Salmon River; a four day horse pack trip to a high mountain lake in the Lemhi Mountains; and a 5 day river float trip through the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.



The trips are scheduled in mid-July. A western-style BBQ hosted by the local club will complete these fun and exciting vacations. We look forward to your participation and to have the chance to meet Rotarians from near and far.

For more information, contact Salmon Rotary Club at [salmonrotary@yahoo.com](mailto:salmonrotary@yahoo.com) or visit our website at <http://www.clubrunner.ca/salmon>. Reserve your vacation soon!



## RACE EXHIBIT

Mayo Clinic and the Rochester Public Library are partnering to bring the national touring exhibit **RACE: Are we so different?** to Rochester

Our Rotary Club has a unique opportunity. If you have driven past the Rochester Public Library you've seen the banner, or looked the Post Bulletin articles on RACE, "Are we so different." This exhibit has toured nationally (it was at the Science Museum in St. Paul several years ago) and will be coming to Rochester in May and will be displayed in the Public Library with combined efforts of many including some of our own Rotarians, Susan Ahlquist, Audrey Betcher and Gregory Stavrou. Special arrangements have been made for our attendance on June 17, giving each of us the opportunity to learn about the cultural and anthropological heritage of racial origins. It puts the Rotary ideal of international good will and understanding on a very personal level.

There will also be some logistical issues to work around:

1. This will be our meeting for June 17. There will be no formal business meeting (following in the tradition of our trips to the airport). Attendance, however, will be counted.
2. Space at the library and the exhibit is limited, and we will need to divide our membership into two times to visit the exhibit. You should sign-up for what works best in your schedule - **11:30 am or 12:15 pm.**
3. Lunch. Box lunches can be ordered at \$14.25 per lunch. They must be pre-ordered and prepaid.
4. An alternative to the box lunch would be to take advantage of the vendors on Thursdays on First.

We will continue to provide you with more information as planning moves forward.



## YouthLINC Donations

Timothy Salazar, our Rochester Rotary Club-sponsored student, and Karmen Reid, mentor, will be traveling to Bautista Grande, Mexico June 15 to 26. YouthLINC is a service organization with which our club has partnered that provides students a local as well as international service opportunity.



For the past two years, our Club has sent students and mentors to Kenya. This summer, they will travel to a rural community in Southeastern Mexico. One project is teaching about 300 elementary school-age children. The goal of these classes is to build good will and to teach basic healthcare. To support these efforts, donations are needed.

### Items Needed

School Supplies – new or used

Paper	Pens	Pencils	Erasers	Crayons
Markers		Scissors		Glue
Stickers	Books in Spanish			Cash

Medical/Hygiene supplies

Hotel shampoo	Hotel soap	First Aid Kit Items
Floss	Toothbrushes	Small Toothpaste

YouthLINC exists to create life-time humanitarians. Students have gone to Kenya, Mexico, Peru and Thailand. They work with Rotary clubs at national and international sites, and with hundreds of generous individuals who want to invest in the humanitarianism of youth. From the inception of the program in 1999, YouthLINC students have contributed more than 80,000 hours of service in their own communities.

If you have any items to donate or cash donations, please contact:

Karmen Reid  
 252-0299 or 266-0895  
 85 River Court NE  
 Rochester, MN 55906  
[reid.karmen@mayo.edu](mailto:reid.karmen@mayo.edu)

¡Muchas gracias!

Note: YouthLINC is a 501c(3) non-profit organization; donations are tax deductible. You will receive a thank you form for tax purposes. If you write a check, please make payable to YouthLINC.



# STRIVE BANQUET

Wednesday, April 28

It was a special evening celebrating success, special friendships and making dreams come true. Thank you to Rotary mentors for your caring and commitment to the young people of our community and to all Rotarians for your continued financial support of this wonderful mentorship program.



# ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL ROTARY AUCTION!

There's nothing like a Rotary Luau! On Thursday, April 29, 140 Rotarians and guests gathered at the Rochester International Event Center for an evening of great food, fellowship and fundraising. More than 115 silent and live auction items were donated for the event. Attendees also tried their luck at choosing the prize-winning boxes on two gift trees plus showed their skill at putting. Dan O'Neill was the crowd winner of the "best" Hawaiian attire.

Thanks to everyone who contributed items to the auction and to those who came and bid on those items. Special thanks to the auction committee for their hard work and commitment to making this year's auction a fun AND successful event!

**Lorie Luedke, co-chair, Laurel Schacht, co-chair, Kim Adams, Vicki Allen, Jeff Amundson, Anne Berberich, Suzanne Dinusson, Mark Dripps, Karen Erlenbusch, Hilla Ferguson, Rick Lien, Lorrie Swancutt, and Jim Wiekamp.**



# ROTARY BENEFIT AUCTION 2010



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**ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER**

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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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**PRESIDENT -ELECT:** Karel Weigel

**PRESIDENT NOMINEE:** Mark Dripps

**SECRETARY:** Jim Wiekamp

**TREASURER:** Paul Barton

**PAST PRESIDENT:** Doug Rovang

**ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR**

Peggy Schroeder - 252-0085

E-mail: romnrotary@charter.net

**ROTARY DISTRICT 5960 GOVERNOR**

Newell Krogmann, LeSueur Rotary

**ASSISTANT GOVERNOR**

Mike O'Fallon, Rochester Rotary

**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)

**ACTIVE COMMITTEES**

Four Avenues of Service  
Club, Vocational, Community, International

**CLUB SERVICE I**

Audrey Betcher, Director

Greeters ..... *Paul Tieskoetter*  
 Membership Development ..... *Karel Weigel*  
 Visitors Desk ..... *Christine Beech*  
 Sergeant-at-Arms ..... *John Woodruff*  
 Mentors ..... *Bill Wiktor*

**CLUB SERVICE II**

Steve Rossello, Director

Club Bulletin ..... *Lorie Luedke, Peggy Schroeder*  
 Club Web Site ..... *Lorie Luedke*  
 Invocations ..... *Anne Berberich*  
 Programs ..... *Rick Lien*  
 Public Relations ..... *Mark Dripps*  
 Four-Way Test ..... *Tom Bruckman*

**CLUB SERVICE III**

Ann Beatty, Director

Bell Ringing - Salvation Army ..... *Paul Bleimeyer,*  
*Mark Neveille*  
 Golf Day ..... *Joe McBride*  
 Music ..... *Jane Belau*  
 Rotary Information ..... *Leigh Johnson*

**VOCATIONAL SERVICE**

Suzanne Dinusson, Director

Rotation Day ..... *Suzanne Dinusson*  
 STRIVE ..... *Linda Herrick*  
 Vocational Talks ..... *Fred Banfield*  
 Auction 2010 ..... *Lorie Luedke, Laurel Schacht*

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Stacy Sinner, Director

Library Host ..... *Allan Sessler, Tom Behrenbeck*  
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic ..... *Paul Barton,*  
*Lorie Luedke, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht*  
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival ..... *Carla Nelson, Brenda Walker*  
 Rotary Reading Project ..... *Cris Fischer, Christian Milaster*  
 Service Above Self Awards ..... *Cresta Deeds,*  
*Linda Hillenbrand*  
 Student Guests ..... *Allie Good, Barbara Porter*  
 Camp RYLA ..... *Steve Rossello, Ashleigh Rosson*  
 White Oaks Park ..... *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*  
 Community Food Response ..... *Glenn VanLaningham,*  
*Paul Bleimeyer*  
 Channel One ..... *Mike O'Fallon, Tom Moyer*

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

Dave Moertel, Director

Foundational Scholarships ..... *Steve Sponsel*  
 Group Study Exchange Team ..... *Gilda Banfield*  
 Rotary International Foundation ..... *Doug Rovang*  
 YouthLINC & Youth Exchange ..... *Vicki Allen*  
 Rotary Gift of Life ..... *Betty Devine*  
 World Community Service ..... *Judith O'Fallon*