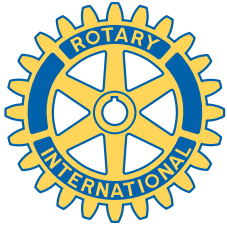


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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 242

AMBASSADORS: Mark Dripps, Austin; Fred and Gilda Banfield, Upper Township Noon, New Jersey

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: Mark Cairns, Jerry Downes, Lynn Clarey, Linda Herrick, Karel Weigel, Lois Nietz, Dana Funk, Bob Priem

RISERS: Milt Tostrud, John Woodruff

Rotary Library Hosts

What does a Rotary Library Host do?

- Provide the Library with extra eyes and ears.

This service was started to combat visitor behavioral issues. Knowing someone is watching has been very effective and helpful to the Library Staff. This is done by simply greeting the visitors. "Welcome to the Library". Just knowing someone is watching/hanging around, etc. has been very effective.

If an issue should arise the Rotary Volunteer is to notify a Library Staff. The Rotarian is NOT responsible for taking care of the issue.

- Help with Self Checks - A Library Staff can quickly train a Volunteer on how to do this.

Benefits to the Volunteer...

Enjoy what the Library has to offer – A volunteer is welcome to walk around, read and get books for themselves.

Now that you're interested you're asking yourself when does the Library need *my* help?

Our commitment is every Thursday evening during the school year from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Please strongly consider signing up for a shift or two this year. It's a great place to take your son, daughter or a friend for some quality time at our beautiful Library.

Alan Sessler, our fellow Rotarian, would appreciate your help. To sign up for a shift please contact him at either 538-7884 or 266-6866 or you can email him at seidler.alan@mayo.edu

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
October 1	Mark Dripps	Rochester, MN
October 7	Fred Banfield	New York, NY
October 9	Lyman Grieve	Chatfield, MN
October 10	Vicki Allen	St Paul, MN
	Terry Sorenson	Britt, IA
October 16	Kay Hocker	Galveston, TX
	Linda Hillenbrand	Canby, MN
October 21	Jane Belau	Polk County, MN
October 22	Sandra Means	Highcoal, WV
	Marilyn Stewart	Lake City, IA
October 23	Nicole Pierson	Rochester, MN
October 26	Michael Quinn	Minneapolis, MN
	Paul Grassle	Rochester, MN
October 27	Dan Skinner	Lafayette, IN

Veteran's Day

Thursday, November 11, 2010

We are asking that all members who are currently serving or have served in the past to please wear your uniform to Rotary on Thursday, November 11th (Veteran's Day). We would like to thank you and acknowledge your service to our country. We will be having a special program that day, "Boots in Afghanistan" by George Beech.



ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks for your assistance at the September meetings –
Invocations: **Jerry Mahon, Jim Sloan, Cris Fischer, Jeff Allman, Barbara Porter**; Introduction of Visitors: **Jim Wiekamp, Phil Karsell, Leigh Johnson**; Visitor's Desk: **Bari Amadio, Cynthia Shaffer, Elif McCain, Betty Devine**; Greeters: **Sue Dripps, Jerry Mahon, Mary Jo Kelly, Tom Bruckman, Alison Good, Armin Budimlic, Roberta Tolan, James Lundgren**; 4 Way Test: **Linda Hillenbrand, Doug Rovang, Dan O'Neil, Jerry Mahon, Linda Herrick**; Cashier: **Dana Funk, James Gibson**; Music: **Ann Beatty, Linda Herrick**; AV Equipment: **Steve Rossello, Alison Good**
- Our condolences to Leigh Johnson and his family on the death of his mother Rosellen " Roz" (Jackson) Johnson.

It's not too late to sign-up!!!



You still have time to sign up for the first annual
ROTARY OKTOBERFEST!

Join all four clubs in a celebration of fall. Wear your German attire. Come visit with friends and show off your Polka moves! Please sign up online (main page of web site) or at a meeting.

\$20/person includes German Buffet, Polka Band,
Beer and Wine Tasting

With the kind generosity of Davies Printing and Sue and Mark Dripps, the event has been moved to Davies' west building - Behind Kuehn Motors, East side of Hwy 52,
2825 Pennington Ct NW

DATE: Friday, October 15, 2010

TIME: 6:00-10:00 p.m.

Reservations & payment required ASAP

Checks payable to Rochester Rotary Club
1916 Scenic Point SW; Rochester, MN 55902

Sponsored by:

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Rochester Rotary Riser and Rochester Rotaract!**

OCTOBER ROTARY CALENDAR

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| October 7 | Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - Chief Justice Lorie Gildea – "The Minnesota Supreme Court in 2010" |
| October 14 | Kahler Hotel - Elizabethan Room - "School Referendum" |
| October 21 | Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - District Governor Craig Leiser |
| October 28 | Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - Ken Allsen - "A Century of Elegance" |

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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| October 4 | Channel One
Four Rotary Clubs Leadership Meeting, 4:00 p.m. |
| October 6 | Rotary Board of Directors Meeting - 7:00 a.m., Directors Room, Kahler Hotel |
| October 7 | Rotary Web site Committee Meeting - 1:30 p.m., Heritage Hall, Kahler Hotel |
| October 13 | Community Food Response - Contact Glenn VanLaningham or Paul Bleimeyer

District Governor Craig Leiser at Rotaract Meeting - 6:00-7:00 p.m. - UMR Room 332 |
| October 15 | Rotary Oktoberfest - 6:00-10:00 p.m. - Davies West Building, 2825 Pennington Court NW |
| October 20 | Rotary Information Meeting - Noon - Directors Room, Kahler Hotel |
| October 21 | Special Board of Directors Meeting with Craig Leiser - 10:30 a.m. - Mayo Brothers Room, Kahler Hotel |



From the president's desk

Karel Weigel



ROTARY IS ALL ABOUT US! ...no, **not** in the self-centered way that phrase usually implies, but in what we do to makes lives better for others. The list is long:

Local Projects:

- **STRIVE:** The new school years starts the program to match students and mentors to gain from each other and reinforce the messages we heard at the STRIVE Kickoff on August 26. "The program does make a difference" "Someone else cared about what I did and I started to study." "I couldn't believe it was my report card!"
- **Rotary Readers:** An elementary school program to help children become better readers and eager learners.

- **Channel One Food Shelf and Food bank:** Repackaging food to help fight hunger in our community
- **Community Food Response:** Distribution of prepared food to families.
- **White Oaks Park Clean up:** Restore, reuse, recycle and clean up the outdoors.
- **Library Hosts:** New school year brings opportunity to be a host to answer questions and keep order in the library.

District events:

- **District Public Relations and membership workshop:** President Karel, President-elect Mark and President elect nominee traveled to Lake Elmo on September 11, to participate in a district workshop to share ideas on promoting Rotary, recruiting and retaining members.
- **International Service:** Our contributions to Rotary International Foundation (the checks we are asked to write in addition to our Rotary dues) fund our World Community Service Projects.
- **Sri Lanka Water project:** A report on the Sri Lanka well project indicates, "with relatively little effort and minimal funds, we have been able to make a big difference in the lives of 300 families on the other side of the world. These farm families are overjoyed to have a steady supply of water." This is something that would not have happened without Rotary involvement
- **Ghana Medical Equipment project:** Rick Lien is in Kumasi, Ghana working the African Medical Equipment project and helping with a Continuing Medical Education Project which continues to build capacity in the medical community in that 3rd world region.
- **An international Thank You:** In early June the Rotary office was notified by Rotarian Dr. Juan Forster from east Guatemala that a patient of his and her daughter were at Mayo Clinic and asked if someone from Rotary could contact them. President Dana called and offered any assistance they needed. While they didn't need any help, they were so pleased by the compassion and the offer they couldn't wait to tell Dr. Forster. His comment, "She is fine in spite of her 90 years and she may go another couple of years just on the strength she got from the boost of the phone call." Sometimes what we think of as a simple gesture is very important to someone else. Thank You President Dana.

QUARRY HILL NATURE CENTER: Each year in mid-September the Rochester Rotary Club operates the food concession wagon at Quarry Hill Fall Festival. The weather on the first day was cold and damp, but that didn't stop a full house crowd from attending that day or on Sunday when the weather was a bit more hospitable. Crowds of families were on hand to enjoy outdoor activities for all ages and interests and the Rotary food wagon was the traditional "go to" spot for hot dogs, pop, apples and cookies. Thankfully, the cooler weather and the wind combined to keep the bees at bay. The crew of hard working-fun loving Rotarians on both days helped Quarry Hill with their fund raising efforts and about \$20,000 was raised to help fund programs for the coming year.

FIRST ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST: Save the date **OCTOBER 15**, for an evening of fun with Rotarians and friends from all Rochester clubs.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CRAIG LEISER: On October 21, 2010, we will welcome District Governor Craig Leiser to our Club meeting. Craig's favorite color is orange and we have organized a special surprise for him with that in mind. We hope as many of you as possible will be present to welcome him to our Club and on that day.

2010-2011 Board Member of the Month

Secretary Richard Brubaker

Macon, Georgia was my birthplace and home until college at Davidson College in North Carolina. "Mama" was a sociology teacher in high school and had to support my older brother Leonard, younger sister Barbara, and me because my father had died from a bad case of bulbar polio at age 39.



Medical training took me to Harvard, Massachusetts General Hospital, and the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston from which I emerged as an ophthalmologist interested in glaucoma research. Lucky for me, I met Nancy Ogle who was working at MIT as a

personnel assistant. We married in Rochester after a short courtship.

In those days all doctors were required to go into the service, and my assignment was to the Public Health

Service in Bethesda, MD, working at NIH in eye research. We started a family, and our first born was Jill.

In 1970 we came to Rochester where I joined the Eye Department of Mayo. Nancy managed the home and brought Bart and Heather into the world. My time was split between patient care and medical research. Toward the end of my medical career, Mayo teamed me with Rick Colvin to run Mayo Medical Ventures. That was a great opportunity to work with business leaders worldwide and to leverage the powerhouse of talent that comprised Mayo.

Now I'm off to the farm every day to kill buckthorn and work in the shop making sculptures. Daughter Heather, an artist in San Francisco, is the inspiration for my latest venture, and we have collaborated on a number of pieces.

I've enjoyed having fellow Rotarians visit the shop on Rotation Day to talk about welding and machining. I hope there can be many more visits out there. I'm still playing hockey, thanks to the fact that youth respect their elders. Also, I'm able to be secretary of Rotary thanks to the fact that we have Peggy!



2011 Registration

For most categories of attendees, the base price for the convention is \$300.

Deadlines

- **December 15, 2010**, is the first registration deadline. For most attendees, the convention registration cost increases to \$340 after this time.
- **March 31, 2011**, is the second registration deadline. After this time, the convention registration cost increases to \$380.

Read more about [convention pricing structures and discounts](#). The deadline for cancelling registration and tickets is **April 15** and **May 6** is the deadline for [online registration](#).

To register by fax or mail, download the [registration form](#).

Rotary Anniversaries

Judith O'Fallon	10/2/2003
Danae Ostern	10/2/2003
Christine Beech	10/2/2008
Walter Menning	10/7/1999
Aynsley Smith	10/7/1999
James Wiekamp	10/7/2004
Fred Banfield	10/9/1997
John Brandrup	10/10/2002
Borge Christensen	10/11/2007
Christine Fagans-Dick	10/11/2007
James Clausen	10/14/1999
Gilda Banfield	10/16/1997
David Westgard	10/16/2003
Thomas Fitzgerald	10/19/2000
Linda Herrick	10/19/2000
Romain Dallemand	10/25/2007
Marie Maher	10/28/1999
Janice Farris	10/28/2004
Mary Jo Kelly	10/30/1997
Charlie Moore	10/30/2008



Thank you for your continued service to
Rotary and to our Club!

OCTOBER IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

“Success in a Vocation Means Giving – of Time, Expertise, and Money”

People join Rotary clubs as proud representatives of their businesses or professions. Hence, all club members have an obligation to represent their vocations to fellow Rotarians and exemplify the spirit of Rotary in the workplace.

People who are successful in their vocations are often well organized, not only in their professions but also in their private lives. Therefore, they are also well organized in their giving. They understand that if The Rotary Foundation runs a special fundraising challenge to match the generous donations from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, giving to the Annual Programs Fund remains as important as ever, as this is the core part of The Rotary Foundation’s financial operations. Equally important are donations to the Permanent Fund and Rotary Centers Major Gifts Initiative. The giving to the challenge must be over and above the normal and regular annual giving, and fortunately many Rotarians understand this.



Donations, however, are not necessarily money only. Many, many Rotarians give of their free time and of their expertise, which so often is a result of success in their vocation. Numerous are the doctors and nurses who help sick children, numerous are the engineers who help drill wells, numerous are the teachers who help in schools – just to mention a few.

And the practice goes back to the various vocations where it all began in 1905 – a handful of gentlemen of different vocations who came together to help others. That was the beginning of what is now *Building Communities – Bridging Continents* through Service Above Self.

Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar
Foundation Trustee Chair

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are pleased to welcome **Teresa Blythe** (sponsored by Brad Jones), **Aaron Johnson** (sponsored by Mark Dripps) and **Terry Sorenson** (sponsored by his fiancée Vicki Allen) who were inducted into membership in October. Please look for their red badges and take time to introduce yourself and welcome them to Rotary.



LEFT: Teresa Blythe
sponsored by Brad Jones.



ABOVE: Aaron Johnson sponsored by
Mark Dripps.



LEFT: Terry Sorenson sponsored by Vicki Allen.

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ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER

Rochester, Minnesota

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Club No. 2047

District No. 5960

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?

THE MOCCASIN FLOWER

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PRESIDENT: Karel Weigel

PRESIDENT-ELECT: Mark Dripps

PRESIDENT NOMINEE: Lorie Luedke

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TREASURER: Paul Tieskoetter

PAST PRESIDENT: Dana Funk

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Peggy Schroeder - 252-0085

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ROTARY DISTRICT 5960 GOVERNOR

Craig Leiser, Stillwater Sunrise Rotary

ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

Mike O'Fallon, Rochester Rotary

WEB SITES

Rochester Rotary: 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, International, Vocational, Community

CLUB SERVICE I

Christine Beech, Director

Greeters *Paul Tieskoetter*
 Membership Development *Mark Dripps*
 Rotary Information Officer *Leigh Johnson*
 Visitors Desk *Kathy Lessard*
 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 *Phil Karsell*
 Programs *Stacy Sinner*
 Public Relations *Lorie Luedke*
 Four-Way Test *Chris Holloway*

CLUB SERVICE III

Margaret Hinz, Director

Biennial Auction *Lorie Luedke, Laurel Schacht*
 Golf Day *Rick Lien*
 Music *Jane Belau*
 Social Events *Jim Wiekamp*

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Dave Moertel, Director

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

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Suzanne Dinusson, Director

Camp RYLA *Steve Rossello*
 Rotary Literacy Coordinator *Stacy Sinner*
 Rotary Readers Project *Cris Fischer*
 Rotation Day *Danae Ostern*
 STRIVE *Linda Herrick*
 Vocational Talks *Fred Banfield*
 Youth Protection Officer *Kim Adams, Hilla Ferguson*

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Lorrie Swancutt, Director

Channel One *Mike O'Fallon, Tom Moyer*
 Community Food Response *Paul Bleimeyer, Glenn VanLaningham*
 Library Host *Alan Sessler*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Barbara Porter*
 Rotary Bell Ringing for Salvation Army *Paul Bleimeyer, Mark Neville*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic *Lorie Luedke, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht*
 Service Above Self Awards *Cresta Deeds, Linda Hillenbrand*
 Student Guests *Allie Good*
 White Oaks Park *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*