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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 250

AMBASSADORS: Dave Colville, Madelia, MN X2; Brian Murphy, Madelia, MN; Ingrid Neel, Albert Lea, MN; Mark Neville, Champaign, IL; Marcia Redalen, LaCrescent, MN; Kim Adams, Doug Rovang, District Foundation Membership Seminar, River Falls, WI.

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: 8/1: Melissa Brinkman, Mike Podulke, Dan Soderberg, Sharon Tuntland. 8/8: Melissa Brinkman, Dave Oeth, Jane Piepgras, Frank Streit. 8/15: Melissa Brinkman, Jerry Downes, Marv Ramsay.

ROCHESTER ROTARY RISERS: 8/7: Bob Priem, Alan Sessler, Mark Utz

CELEBRATE 20 YEARS OF WOMEN IN ROTARY

It's a party! Enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

On September 13, we will meet as a club in the evening to commemorate 20 years of women in Rochester Rotary.

Kahler Hotel, Heritage Hall

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. – social hour (cash bar)

6:30 – 7:45 p.m. – dinner and brief program

7:45 – 9:00 p.m. – enjoy music by 2 O'clock Jump

Listen, dance or both.

Cost is \$25/person

All should have received invitations in the mail. This is our regular meeting of the week – no noon meeting.

RSVP by September 6. Guests are welcome.

ELECTRONIC MAKEUPS

Can't make it to Rotary?

There is an electronic make-up opportunity at
www.rotaryclubone.org

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Birthday	Name	Birthplace
September 3	Jerry Downes	Minneapolis, MN
	Norm Hepper	Underwood, ND
September 4	Cris Fischer	Rochester, MN
September 5	Jerry Watson	Omaha, NE
September 7	Jerry Williams	Princeville, IL
	Art Raak	Sioux Center, IA
September 9	Marty Anderson	Chicago, IL
September 10	Paul Olberding	Cresco, IA
September 11	James Gibson	Topeka, KS
September 14	Laurel Schacht	Rochester, MN
September 15	Judith Taylor	Urbana, IL
September 17	Jim Woodruff	Hibbing, MN
September 19	Audrey Betcher	Rochester, MN
September 20	Betty Hutchins	Chattanooga, TN
September 21	Frank Streit	Humboldt, IA
September 23	Bill Nietz	Rochester MN
September 24	Karmen Reid	Winterset, IA
	Kristine Stensland	Cedar Rapids, IA
September 26	Tom Sitzer	Langdon, ND
September 27	Bob Priem	Austin, MN
September 28	Mac Hamilton	Minneapolis, MN
September 29	Paul Barton	Kansas City, KS
	Gary Harmon	Fargo, ND
	Linda Herrick	Rochester MN
September 30	Jeff Kiger	Danville, IL
	LuAnn Hiniker	Mankato, MN

Are your dues paid?

ROTARY NEWS

- **Erv Walth** is in the nursing care area at Charter House. Doing well - sends regards to everyone.
- We have received resignations and accepted them with regrets from **Dave Eberhart** and **Todd Cordes**.
- Thanks to all who helped with the August meetings. Invocations: **Matt Camrud, Ann Beatty, Merlin Ricklefs, Sarah Burrington, Judith O'Fallon**. Greeters: **Bari Amadio, Leon Clark, John Brockman, Marilyn Stewart, Chuck Springer, Danae Ostern, Anne Berberich, Stacy Sinner**. 4 -Way Test: **Paul Bleimeyer, Jerry Williams, Denise Sorom, Dana Funk, Sandra Means**. Visitor's Desk: **Linda Klovstad, Al Fritsche**. Introduce Visitors: **Phil Karsell, Leigh Johnson, Keri Smith-Norman, Mike O'Fallon**. Cashier: **James Gibson**.
- Don't forget that we are accepting contribution for Polio Eradication. It has been suggested from our district that each member donate \$10. This will be then be matched. Checks should be made to the Rochester Rotary Foundation.
- Please sign your Kahler charge slips more carefully. The Kahler is having difficulty in reading some signatures.

LOOKING FOR SERVICE?

HERE YOU GO!

QUARRY HILL FALL FESTIVAL: Sign-up to help with the food wagon. Getting hot dogs ready and serving sodas is all you have to do.

STRIVE: Our first program in September will tell you about the program. Also check the link on the Web site. Sign-up to become part of a great program.

READING PROGRAM AT RIVERSIDE: Spend an hour or more listening to students read at Riverside School. Set your own schedule - once a month, once a week or whatever works for you. Really rewarding program!

LIBRARY HOSTS: Sign up at meetings to host at the Rochester Public Library. Every Thursday evening from 6-9 p.m. we have two hosts at the library – walk around, greet and just in general present an adult presence there.

WHITE OAKS PARK: Every third Thursday we pick up trash at this park. Takes about a hour. Be there at 6 p.m.

(Remember all of these count as make-ups and for new members, these opportunities count toward your blue badge requirements)

SEPTEMBER ROTARY CALENDAR

September 6	Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall Holly Hess, Greater Rochester Rotary, "STRIVE"
September 13	NO NOON MEETING Evening Meeting - "Women in Rotary" Information in Bulletin - Please return invitation by September 6.
September 20	Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall District Governor Clare Lillis
September 27	Special Meeting - Kahler Hotel - Elizabethan Room We will have lunch and a brief program at which time Dr. David Carl will introduce the new chancellor Dr. Stephen Lehmkuhle of the University of Minnesota Rochester. We will then go over to the Galleria for a tour of the New U of M facilities there.
October 4	Rotation Day

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

September 11	Rotary Basketball Steering Committee 12 Noon, US Bank
September 11	Rochester Rotary Clubs Leadership Meeting - 4 p.m., USB Financial
September 13	Rotary Board of Directors Meeting 7 a.m., Heritage Hall, Kahler Hotel
September 15-16	Quarry Hill Fall Festival
September 18	Rotary Information Meeting 12 Noon, Mayo Brothers Room, Kahler Hotel
September 19	Serve dinner at Ronald McDonald House. Jim Sloan will contact all of you who signed up.
September 20	White Oak Park - Help Clean our Rotary-sponsored City Park 6 - 7 p.m. (counts as a make-up)



NEW MEMBERS



Proposer **Linda Bonow**, new member **Art Raak**, CPA, Wolter & Raak, Ltd. New Member **Monte Ball**, Crossroads College, Proposer **Glenn VanLaningham**.



New member **Jon Ewing**, HiMEC with proposer **Mark Hettinger**.

THINK ABOUT BEING A STRIVE MENTOR

We are more than halfway toward our goal of 75 STRIVE mentors – we currently have 42 people signed-up. We need you! Please consider making a difference in the life of a high school senior by being a STRIVE mentor! Meetings begin in early October!



What Do I Need To Do To Be A Mentor?

1. Go to <http://www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org/STRIVE>. Click on the 'STRIVE Mentor Sign Up' to access the STRIVE Mentor online application.
2. Attend the STRIVE Mentor Orientation on Friday, September 21 from noon – 1:00 in the auditorium at the Rochester Public Library (feel free to bring your lunch). You will receive confirmation of which school you will be at, find out who your student is, receive an agenda for the year and tips on making a strong connection with your STRIVE senior.

ROTATION DAY - October 4

What happens for Rotation Day?

All members either host or are assigned a place to go for lunch. This goes back to the early days of Rotary where Rotarians rotated their meeting site each week. It gives you the opportunity to get to know each other a little better and find out about your host's occupation.

What do hosts do?

Hosts sign up and give the number of members they would like to accommodate for lunch. This can vary from a minimum of six to whatever number you have room for. Hosts are given a list of names to host and they invite their guests – giving directions, etc.. They order lunches – all members have already paid for their Rotation Day lunches with their dues so all the host has to do is submit a billing to the office for the lunches.

During the meeting time, 12-1:30 p.m. – members can introduce themselves and the hosts can tell about their occupation and in some cases go on a tour of their facilities. They take attendance and turn it in to the office.

What do those attending do?

First and foremost, respond to the host – let them know you are attending so they can order lunches and prepare for you. If you know you are not going to be available that day, please let us know in advance so you will not be assigned. For those of you that have email, you will probably hear that way.

If you have not heard where to go by noon the day before the Rotation Day, please call the office – 252-0085.

(We will have sign ups at upcoming meetings and don't hesitate to call or email if you have questions or want to volunteer)

CONGRATULATIONS TO . . . 100% ATTENDANCE FOR THE 2006-07 ROTARY YEAR

Kim Adams	1 year
Judith O'Fallon	2 years
Mike O'Fallon	3 years
Rick Lien	3 years
Sarah Burrington	8 years
Gilda Banfield	9 years
Lorie Luedke	9 years
George Allen	17 years
Lois Nietz	19 years
Bob Priem	24 years
Erv Walth	25 years
John Woodruff	32 years

ROTARY AREAS OF SERVICE

(Each month President Kim has asked her board to write an article describing their area of service. This month President-Elect Doug Rovang talks about Rotary membership and the Joint Membership/PR Committee.)

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT - One of my responsibilities as president-elect is membership development under Club Service 1 Director Linda Rings. Why is membership growth important for Rotary in general and our club specifically? The July issue of Rotary World magazine lists the following reasons:

- Membership growth increases Rotary's capacity for service.
- New Rotarians bring fresh ideas, new interests, and increased energy to clubs.
- More members increase the volume of support for The Rotary Foundation.
- Diversity in membership ensures that the club is relevant to the entire community.
- Service-minded individuals are given an opportunity to help their communities through Rotary.
- More members create a larger network for both local and international fellowship.
- New and younger members ensure the future of Rotary and its work.

Having a large club (approximately 250 members) enables our club to accomplish many worthwhile things in our community and through Rotary International. To keep our club strong, every Rotarian must share the responsibility of bringing new people into Rotary. Those new members should ideally reflect our community's demographics, including professions, gender, age and ethnicity. In order to establish and maintain the interest and dedication of new (and "experienced") Rotarians, we need good club fellowship and involvement in service projects.

JOINT MEMBERSHIP/PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE - A joint membership/public relations committee has been formed with participation from all three local Rotary clubs. This past year, with budgeted funds and a \$3,000 grant from Rotary International, the committee presented the message of Rotary to the community through a "campaign" of newspaper and public radio ads, banners, window clings and bus advertising with the goal of making our community more aware of Rotary and the things Rotarians do, as well as piquing peoples' interest in Rotary as the service organization they might like to join.

As current Rotary International President Wilf Wilkinson has written in the July issue of Rotarian magazine, "I have always felt that the essence of Rotary is about sharing. Every day, in every club, Rotarians share with others in too many ways to count. We share our time, we share our talents, and we share our resources."

ROTARY SEEKS BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE FOR EXCHANGE WITH PERU AND BRAZIL

A once in a lifetime opportunity! Too good to be true! A life-changing experience! These are phrases past participants have used to describe the Rotary International Group Study Exchange Program.

Group Study Exchange (GST) is a unique educational experience that furthers international understanding by providing an opportunity for outstanding business and professional people to study another country, its people, its culture and its institutions. Each GST team visits a Rotary district in another country for four weeks. Team members stay in the homes of Rotarians, if possible, and follow an Itinerary of educational and cultural points of interest.

A Rotary District 5960 GSE team will visit **Peru** from **April 5, 2008 - May 5, 2008**. A second GSE team will visit **Brazil** from **April 29, 2008 - May 28, 2008**. Rotary offers this opportunity to spend a month living with local Rotarians and seeing the country in a way few will ever experience.

The teams will consist of four non-Rotarian professional or business people and a Rotarian team leader. Candidates

must be engaged in a recognized business or profession on a full-time basis for at least the past two years. Employers must give permission for the candidate to participate BEFORE the interview process. Candidates must be between the ages of 25-40 years and must live or work within the limits of Rotary District 5960. Applicants cannot be spouses or lineal descendants of current Rotary members. Applicants must be citizens of the USA.

All applications must be received by OUR club by September 22, 2007. District level interviews will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2007, for candidates applying for Peru and Saturday, October 27, 2007, for those applying for Brazil. Applicants must be available all day, starting at 9:00 a.m. for interviews which will be held at the Northern Boy Scout Council's Hulings Scout Service Center, 393 Marshall Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Applications are available for downloading at: <http://www.rotary.org/newsandinfo/downloadcenter/foundation/education/html>

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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

Linda Rings, Director

Greeters *Bill Wiktor*
 Membership Development *Doug Rovang*
 Visitors Desk *Cindy Sharp*
 Sergeant-at-Arms *John Woodruff*
 Mentors *Mark Neville*

CLUB SERVICE II

Dan O’Neil, Director

Club Bulletin *Lorie Luedke, Lois Nietz*
 Club Web Site *Lorie Luedke*
 Invocations *Carla Nelson*
 Programs *Phil Karsell*
 Public Relations *Dana Funk*
 Four-Way Test *Ann Beatty*

CLUB SERVICE III

Mark Dripps, Director

Bell Ringing - Salvation Army *Paul Bleimeyer,*
Mark Neville
 Golf Day *Mike Schnell*
 Music *Jane Belau*
 Rotary Information *Leigh Johnson*

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Linda Bonow, Director

Rotation Day *Linda Bonow*
 STRIVE *Audrey Betcher*
 Vocational Talks *Rachel Hurt*
 Auction 2008 *Bill Nietz*

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Karen Ricklefs, Director

Library Host *Allan Sessler*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic *Paul Barton,*
Laurel Schacht
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Carla Nelson*
 Rotary Reading Project *Cris Fischer*
 Service Above Self Awards *Mark St. Peter*
 Student Guests *Lance Papenfuss*
 Camp RYLA *Glen VanLaningham, Peg Winters*
 White Oaks Park *Ashok Patel, Stacy Sinner*

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Karmen Reid, Director

Foundational Scholarships *Dave Moertel*
 Group Study Exchange Team *Gilda Banfield*
 Rotary International Foundation *Rick Lien*
 Youth Exchange *Hilla Ferguson*
 Gift of Life *Betty Devine, Brenda Walker*
 World Community Service *Judith O’Fallon*