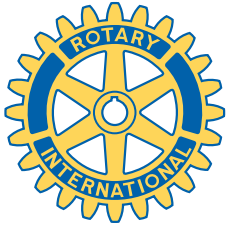


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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 238

AMBASSADORS: Door County North Rotary: **Tank Sholem**, New Richmond Rotary: **Gilda Banfield**, Rotary Club of Sturgeon Bay: **Tank Sholem**, Wabasha Rotary Club: **Judy O'Fallon & Mike O'Fallon**

Greater Rochester: **Linda Bonow, Lynn Clarey, Walt Menning**

eCLUB One: **Sarah Burrington, Borge Christensen**

ROTARY SIGN-UPS NOW ONLINE!



Want to sign up for Rotary service opportunities but can never remember your schedule during a Thursday meeting? Now you can sign up online to Greet, Cashier, staff the Visitors Desk, give the Invocation or Four Way Test, Introduce Guests, and volunteer as a Library Host. Go to The Rotary Club of Rochester Web site (<http://rochesterrotaryclubs.org/trcr/>) and find sign-up pages under "What's New" or on the "Avenues of Service" page.

ROTATION DAY – September 29

Members may sign up online now to host or attend the September 29 Rotation Day. Go to the "Events Calendar" page of The Rotary Club of Rochester website. You must sign up to be included.

Rotation Day provides an opportunity to learn more about a fellow Rotarian's interests in their place of vocation. Hosts are responsible for inviting their assigned group, ordering lunch, and facilitating the event during the 12-1:30 p.m. Thursday meeting time. Guests are asked to RSVP to their host and arrive promptly at noon at their assigned location on Rotation Day.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
September 3	Jerry Downes	Minneapolis, MN
September 4	Cris Fischer	Rochester, MN
September 7	Jerry Williams	Princeville, IL
	Art Raak	Sioux Center, IA
September 11	James Gibson	Topeka, KS
	Christine Beech	Fairfax, VA
September 14	Laurel Schacht	Rochester, MN
	Nisha Manek	Kenya
September 15	Judith Taylor	Urbana, IL
September 16	Josef Chlachula	Czechoslovakia
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
	Susan Ahlquist	West Virginia
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
	Jeff Kiger	Danville, IL

ROTARY NEWS

- Thanks to all who helped with the August meetings:
Greeters: **Teresa Blythe, Paul Tieskoetter, John Brandrup, Linda Hillenbrand, Rodney Anderson.**
Invocations: **Bill Wiktor, James Frye, Kelly Engler, James Sloan.** Introduction of Visitors: **Vicki Allen, Leigh Johnson, Dennis Nigon, Steve Courts.** Four-Way Test: **Milt Tostrud, Chris Holloway, Kelly Engler, Rick Lien.**
Visitors Desk: **Dan Kelly, Barbara Porter, Kelly Engler, Christine Beech.** Cashier: **MaryJo Kelly, Dana Funk, Joanne Martin, Janice Farris.** Speakers: **Cris Fischer, Montana Filoteo, Melissa Lam, Laura Kressin, Linda Herrick, Sr. Kathy Warren, Harriet Hodgson.**



Quarry Fall Festival

- Join fellow Rotarians at Quarry Hill Nature Center to sell food to those attending the Fall Festival.
- September 17 & 18
- 2 hour shifts from 9:00 am – 5:30 pm.
- Contact: Barbara Porter

Library Hosts

- Like to read? Visit the Rochester Library and help the Library staff by providing an extra set of “eyes.” By having extra adults present behavioral issues have been kept to a minimum. Any issues that may arise are not for the Rotarian to handle but the Rotarian notifies a Library Staff who will take care of the situation. You may also help people with self checks. The “How to Do” is quickly taught by a Library Staff.
- Every Thursday from 6 pm – 9 pm, September to June.
- Contact: MaryJo Kelly



SEPTEMBER ROTARY CALENDAR

- September 1 Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -Silver Creek Corner – Supportive Housing Program, Rick Klun & Paul Fleissner**
- September 8 Kahler Hotel – Heritage Hall - Friends of the Rochester Public Library, Allen Dollerschell**
- September 15 Cascade Meadows Wetlands and Environmental Science Center (must register to attend), Cascade Meadows staff**
- September 22 Kahler Hotel - Elizabethan Room - The Houston Nature Center – Home of the North American Owl Center, Karla Kinstler Bloem & Alice. Vocational Talk by Rotarian Tim Geisler**
- September 29 Rotation Day**

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- September 5 No Channel One - because of Labor Day - Contact Tom Moyer or Phet Saysomphou**
- September 14 Rotary Board of Directors Meeting - 7:00 am, Directors’ Room, Kahler Hotel**
- September 14 Community Food Response - 1:00-6:45 p.m ., Bethel Lutheran Church - Contact Glen VanLanningham or Phil Karsell**
- September 14 Rochester Rotary Foundation Board Meeting - 4:30 p.m. - Eastwood Bank Northwest**
- September 14 White Oaks Park Clean-up - 6:00-7:15 pm - Contact Mike Mahrer or Ashok Patel**
- September 26 Salvation Army Dinner - 5:45-7:00 p.m. - Contact Sue Johnson or Linda Hillenbrand**
- September 26 Rochester Rotary Golf Outing - 1:00 p.m. - The Jewel - Contact Mark Dripps**
- September 28 Ronald McDonald House Dinner - Ronald McDonald House - Contact Jim Sloan**

2011-2012 Board Member of the Month: President-elect Lorie Luedke

I was born in Madison, Wisconsin, and raised in the small town of Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin, just west of Madison. After graduating high school, I headed back to Madison and attended the University of Wisconsin for three years before my then, fiance, Todd, graduated and took a job with IBM in Rochester. We married and made the move to Rochester



and a year later to Winona so I could complete my last year of college at Winona State University. Upon earning my bachelors degree in mass communications, we headed back to Rochester where I worked as a copywriter at a local advertising agency. Soon after, one of the agency's clients, Kahler Corporation, hired me to work in their marketing department where I spent the next

nine years of my career. When Kahler Corporation was sold, I took a job as the marketing director for Eastwood Bank. I later moved on to my current job in communications at IBM where I have been for the last 10 years. I currently provide communications support to the

general manager of IBM's Global Business Partners and Midmarket organization based out of New York.

It was during my time at Kahler Corp. that I was introduced to Rotary by a former member, Luci Passe. As they say, the rest is history. I am currently on our club's board of directors serving as president-elect nominee. I previously served a two-year term on the Rotary board as the director of community service. I have participated in several activities within our club including Quarry Hill, STRIVE, Salvation Army bell ringing, committee member of the US Bank Rotary Holiday Classic, and co-chair of our club's biennial auction. I've also assisted with the club's Web site and the Moccasin Flower for many years.

My husband, Todd, and I have three children, Joel (25) who is an athletic trainer at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, Kevin (22) who is a junior at the Art Institute of Minneapolis studying graphic design, and Ashley (19) who is a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse majoring in athletic training.

I have sincerely enjoyed my 14 years as a member of our club and look forward to many more years of fellowship.

September Rotary Anniversaries

Teresa Blythe	1 year
Aaron Johnson	1 year
Terry Sorenson	1 year
Barbara Banner	2 years
Susan Johnson	3 years
Paul Tieskoetter	3 years
David Harbert	4 years
Mark Ostrem	4 years
Cresta Valentine	5 years
Dan Kelly	5 years
Paul Bleimeyer	6 years
Jim Sloan	7 years
Laurel Schacht	10 years
Karel Weigel	13 years
Sue Dripps	15 years
Sandra Means	15 years
Linda Bonow	18 years
Lois Nietz	24 years
Frank Sharbrough	28 years
Jerry Schliep	37 years
George Waters	64 years



Rochester Rotary Golf Outing

The Rotary Clubs of Rochester invite you to participate in our annual golf outing. Play your own ball, best two of four scoring.

- When:** Monday, September 26, 2011
1:00 pm Shotgun start
- Where:** The Jewel, Lake City, MN, a beautiful Hale Irwin design; JewelGolfClub.com
- Cost:** \$75 per person includes, golf, cart, range, prizes and meal following golf. Dinner begins between 6:00 - 6:30 pm
Only \$20 for meal and socializing

Sign-up today as a foursome or we will pair you with another group.

Guests of Rotarians are welcome!

* No metal spikes. Both men and women are required to wear golf appropriate attire.

Sign-up today: <http://rochesterrotaryclubs.org/trcr/Pages/Golf%20Outing%20e-letter%202011.pdf>

ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE TO TURKEY – DISTRICT 2430

Outbound Team: May 24 – June 3, 2012

Inbound Team: June 20 – June 30, 2012



Our District 5960 Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) Planning Team is excited to announce the exchange with District 2430 in Turkey. We will be accepting applications for the Outbound Team starting September 1 – deadline for applications is October 31, 2011. Application and information regarding this exchange can be found on the District Friendship Exchange Web site.

[HTTP://rotary5960.org/scholars/index.cfm?pScholar=BRZ](http://rotary5960.org/scholars/index.cfm?pScholar=BRZ)

Procedure for promoting non-Rotary events at Rotary meetings

- Requests need to be submitted in advance and approved. For placement on the agenda, call (252-0085) or email (romnrotary@charter.net) the Rotary office by noon Wednesday before the Thursday meeting.
- The club president will read your announcement one time.
- You may have brochures on the back table only. You may also have a table sign on the back table. You may leave materials out for two meetings.
- You may sell tickets at the back table, but we ask that you do so unobtrusively.
- Rotary Club of Rochester projects will take priority.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2012

Bangkok, Thailand

May 6-9, 2012



 **Bangkok**
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THAILAND
CONVENTION 6-9 MAY 2012

Register now for the 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, May 6-9, and enjoy an unforgettable experience in the Land of a Thousand Smiles! Enjoy Thai hospitality. Make friends with fellow Rotarians from around the world. Take in spectacular sights. Taste delicious Thai cuisine. Experience a vibrant culture. Renew your commitment to Service Above Self. And have fun in a world class city.

Registration is now open at the Rotary International Web site - <http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/Events/Convention/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Mark your calendars for the
2nd ANNUAL ROTARY



Sponsored by:

**Rochester Rotary, Greater Rochester Rotary,
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Friday, October 28, 2011 - 6:00-10:00 p.m.

German Buffet

German Beer and Wine Tasting included

Polka Band

Bring your own beer stein if you have one!

STAY TUNED - MORE DETAILS TO COME!!

MERCHANDIZED SYSTEM PROVIDES CLEAN DRINKING WATER FOR 10,000 IN GHANA

By Arnold R. Grahl

Rotary International News — August 29, 2011

More than 10,000 people in three communities in Ghana are receiving safe drinking water from a mechanized system built through the efforts of the [International H2O Collaboration](#), an alliance between Rotary International and USAID.

The water system is part of a US\$2 million project that is providing boreholes, hand pumps, and mechanized pipes, as well as ventilated pit latrines and showers, across Ghana's Volta, Greater Accra, Eastern, and Central regions.

During a ceremony on 21 August in Abutia Teti, RI and USAID representatives joined Ghanaian government officials in handing over responsibility for the completed system to the communities of Abutia Teti, Takla Gborgame, and Nyive.

RI President Kalyan Banerjee took part in the event, along with Laurel Fain, chief of the USAID Ghana Health Office, and Mustapha Ahmed, Ghana's deputy minister for water resources, works, and housing.

"This project is a great example of public and private partnership at its very best, to improve not only the quality of life, but life itself, immeasurably," Banerjee said.

"This innovative partnership between USAID, the Ghana Ministry for Water Resources, and Rotary International saves lives by reducing these communities' use of unsafe open water sources," Fain said. "Today, the community and the government of Ghana take responsibility for maintaining these facilities and for continuing to educate children and citizens in proper hygiene, creating conditions where our assistance is no longer necessary."

The International H2O Collaboration is in its third year. As part of the efforts in Ghana, Rotarians are also working with villagers to change their sanitation practices and provide training to maintain the new equipment.

The collaboration is also funding hygiene training and bio-sand water filters in the Dominican Republic, and a project in the Philippines to improve sewage collection and treatment that will help more than 150,000 people.

According to USAID officials and Rotarians who have been involved in the initiatives, the collaboration has provided valuable insight into best practices for water and sanitation projects. These include an emphasis on monitoring and evaluation, taking a long-term approach to meeting needs, and increasing sustainability by ensuring community ownership and management.

The collaboration also has demonstrated the value of conducting a needs assessment at the outset of any water project, identifying potential barriers to the adoption of new practices, gathering information about the project site, and assessing the community's ability to pay for water and sanitation products.



RI President Kalyan Banerjee and Laurel Fain, chief of the USAID Ghana Health Office, during a ceremony on 21 August inaugurating a mechanized water system that will provide clean drinking water for more than 10,000 people in Ghana.



Villagers in Abutia Teti, Ghana, celebrate the inauguration of the mechanized water system.

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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?

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Rochester Rotary: www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org

Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: www.rotary5960.org

Rotary International: rotary.org

ROTARY COMMITTEES

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 Invocations *Bill Wiktor*
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 Golf Day *Rick Lien*
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 STRIVE *Linda Herrick*
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 Community Food Response *Phil Karsell, Glenn VanLaningham*
 Library Host *Mary Jo Kelly*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Barbara Porter*
 Rotary Bell Ringing for Salvation Army *Fred Suhler*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic *Lynn Clarey, Lorie Luedke, Lois Nietz, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht*
 Service Above Self Awards *Cresta Valentine*
 Student Guests *Sara Gilliland*
 White Oaks Park *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*