



Service Above Self

## Rotary Club of Arden Hills/Shoreview

### Arden - Shores

Thursday, July 21, 2011

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#### Future Speakers

**Jul 26 2011**

MVHS Rotary Scholarship recipients

*"MVHS Rotary Scholarships"*

**Aug 30 2011**

Terry Maurer and Patrick Klaers

*" 694/Snelling Road Project - - City of Arden Hills"*

#### Upcoming Events

**Slice of Shoreview - Bingo**

Jul 22 2011 - Jul 24 2011

#### News

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Thought for the Month - Who Said It?

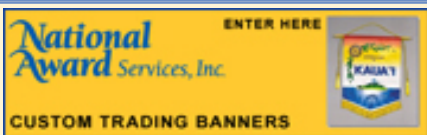
Quote of the Week - Who Said It?

Sea Story

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#### Club President's article

*by Marjorie Shaver*

To summarize my year as president, I will start by saying that I believe this last Rotary year has been one of refocusing on what we do well and recommitting ourselves to the success of the Arden Hills/ Shoreview Rotary Club.

Here are some of the highlights that I will always remember:

Rotary Bingo at the Slice of Shoreview was one of our best bingo events ever. It was well attended, with most games going for the "big money." The sale of pop and water, which was donated by club members, helped to boost our profits. Special thanks to Ken Hola!

Our 25th anniversary celebration was well planned and well attended. Everyone had a great time! Special guests included Governor Craig Leiser and his wife Nina. It was also nice having all four charter members represented. Rotary Jeopardy was so much fun and added much to the party. Special thanks to Larry Duppong and Paul Bartyzal!

Holiday Party hosted by past president, Dennis Erno was a very nice. Thanks to Mark and Cindy Stange for supplying their lovely home.

In March I traveled to Haiti with Feed My Starving Children for the second time. I was very grateful to be able to share my experiences with the club and also participate in the FMSC mobile food-packing event at Incarnation Lutheran Church, which followed our meeting.

This year's Run and Romp was a huge success. The decision was made early in the year to change the weekend for this event from the last Saturday in April to the first weekend in May in hope for better weather. What a difference this change made for us!! The weather was perfect and we had much better participation than the previous few years. Special thanks to Mark Stange, Paul Bartyzal and Larry Duppong for their hard work and extra planning.

Four members of our club; Ginny & Andy Sall, Frank Mabley, and myself attended the Rotary International Convention in New Orleans. It was great to share this experience with fellow club members.

Another accomplishment was getting Club Runner, our website and electronic newsletter set up. This is going to continue to be a valuable tool as we move ahead in the weeks, months, and years ahead. Thanks Paul!

Thanks to everyone for working together so that our club was able to earn the Presidential Citation. It is an honor to be part of a club worthy of this award.

More than ever I realize what an amazing group of Rotarians we have in our club. Thanks for all your support this last year and I look forward to continuing to be part of this club for years to come.



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## Monthly Attendance

*by Paul Bartyzal*



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## Weekly Greeters

*by Paul Bartyzal*

Jul 5 - Jerry Peterson  
Jul 12 - Dick Rademacher  
Jul 19 - Pat Riemersma  
Jul 26 - Andy Sall  
Aug 2 - Ginny Sall

## Monthly Celebrations

*by Paul Bartyzal*

### Member Birthdays

-None this month-

### Spouse Birthdays

Angela Schultz (Ryan)

### Anniversaries

Bill and Sharon Klumpp - July 123 - 34 years

### Club Anniversaries

Adel Chamoun - July 1 - 2 Years

Larry Duppong - July 1 - 1 Year

John Suzukida - July 24 - 4 Years

## Club Service

*by Kevin Keenan*

July is literacy month in the Rotary year. We have helped promote literacy with the Kids' Triathlon.

It is always exciting when a new president takes over. Let's embrace Robert Meyer's Theme of "You and the Arts". I want to thank Marjorie for her hard work and everything the club accomplished during her year as President.

The Slice of Shoreview is on July 22, 23 and 24. Let's all help out and assist Ken Hola to make "Rotary Bingo" another successful fundraiser for our club.

## Community Service

*by Larry Duppong*

Sorry, no article submitted.

## International Service

*by John Suzukida*

Sorry, no article submitted.

## Vocational Service

*by Colleen Lavin*

Sorry, no article submitted.

## Mounds View Interact Club Update

*by Hannah Frey*

Sorry, no article submitted.

## June 7 - Club Meeting

*by Terry Schwerm*



Sorry, no article submitted.

## June 14 - Club Meeting

*by Peggy Strom*

Assistant District Governor Gerry Mroska was on hand today to present our club with the Presidential Citation award for 2010-2011, which we earned by achieving goals across all avenues of service. Our speaker was William Siong, a Lutheran minister and member of Minnesota's Hmong population. Robert Meyer arranged for William's presentation, asking him to provide an update on what's happening within the Hmong community in the Twin Cities. Minnesota is unique in the United States in terms of it's very large Hmong population - almost 70,000 people. This group has made a lot of progress in terms of education and earning power, but still 25% of the population is below the poverty line. Mr. Siong discussed the current challenges between the older generation in their community, who wish the younger generation would hold more strictly to Hmong customs and beliefs. I imagine this tension has existed in every immigrant population coming to the U.S. since our country's founding. Although Siong is obviously Christian, many Hmong have continued with their traditional spiritual beliefs which focus on worshiping the spirits of their ancestors. He noted that funerals are difficult to arrange and extremely expensive as they go on for 3-4 days and involve 3 meals a day for hundreds or thousands of people. This is an area he is working to change due to the heavy financial burden it causes for Hmong families. □

## June 21 - Club Meeting

by Terry Schwerm

Sorry, no article submitted.

## June 28 - Club Meeting

by Peggy Strom

Today's meeting represented the annual "changing of the guard" as we move into the new Rotary year. Outgoing President Marjorie Shaver reminded us of all that we accomplished this year, despite the difficulty of starting the year looking at a cash deficit. She led the club in reviewing our fundraising activities, with a resulting commitment to stick to our current events with bolstered plans to improve our results, which absolutely happened. John Suzukida led an effort to assess member interests and satisfaction levels and found we are pretty well hitting the mark in that area. This year also saw the introduction of our new Club Runner software, which has been a success, and we had a very fun and successful 25th anniversary celebration in the fall. John Suzukida also worked through the challenging grant process with a successful outcome of funds we will devote to our new Africa project. All-in-all, I think we can rate this as a great, productive year and we have Marjorie to thank for her strong leadership in guiding the ship. After receiving her past president pin and commemorative gavel, Marge turned the meeting over to incoming president Bob Meyer and passed on her president's pin (still attached to her black sweater vest, which Bob gamely put on!). Bob introduced his theme for the upcoming year titled "You and the Arts" and displayed the new RI banner for the year, designed by new RI President Kalyan Banerjee, from India. Thank you, Marjorie for your dedication throughout this past year and thanks to Bob for stepping up to the challenge of leading our club in 2011-2012!

