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The club meets Tuesdays, 12:15 p.m.
at The Delaney House, north on Rte. 5, Holyoke

MAKE UP LOCATIONS

MONDAY

Chicopee 12:15 pm Hu-Ke Lau Restaurant, Rte. 33
Westfield 12:00 p.m. Genesis Spiritual Life & Conference Center
Northampton 5:00 pm The Deck at Union Station

TUESDAY

West Springfield 12:15 pm Storowtown Tavern
Easthampton 6:10 pm Amy's Place
Broad Brook, CT 6:30 pm Sky Diner

WEDNESDAY

Ludlow 12:00 pm Villa Rose, 1428 Center Street
Agawam 12:15 pm Storowtown Tavern
Enfield 12:15 pm Holiday Inn-Brightmeadow Plaza
Franklin Cnty/Grnfield 6:00 pm Buckley Health Care Ctr.
Southwick 6:15 pm Nora's Restaurant
Wilbraham-Hampden 6:15 pm Country Club of Wilbraham

THURSDAY

Amherst 12:15 pm Amherst Brewing Company
East Longmeadow 12:15 pm Twin Hills Country Club

FRIDAY

Springfield 12:15 pm Basketball Hall of Fame, Mass Mutual Room

PARTICIPANTS THIS MONTH

DATE: January 6, 2015
INVOCATION: Kathy Anderson
HISTORY MOMENT*: presented by Lou Silver
PROGRAM CHAIR: Bob Woodill
PROGRAM SPEAKER: Patricia Grenier, CFP, CSA will discuss “How to Become Financially Wiser.” Patricia is co-founder of BRP/Grenier Financial Services in Springfield

DATE: January 13, 2015
INVOCATION: Janet Soja
PROGRAM CHAIR: Bob Goss
PROGRAM SPEAKER: Jazz Duo: Bob Sparkman & Jerry Noble

DATE: January 20, 2015
INVOCATION: Danielle Lord
HISTORY MOMENT*: presented by Wayne Gass
PROGRAM CHAIR: Gil Woods
PROGRAM SPEAKER: Bob Steele, Former CT Congressman & Chairman NLC Mutual Insurance Co. will speak about Connecticut’s casinos and the background to his novel, *The Curse: Big Time Gambling’s Seduction of a Small New England Town*.

DATE: January 27, 2015
INVOCATION: Peggy Woods
PROGRAM CHAIR: Peggy Woods
PROGRAM SPEAKER: Not available at time of print.

**In honor of the upcoming Centennial Celebration, we will have regular “History Moments,” brief “clips” of Holyoke Rotary history.*



CLUB NEWS

Member Birthdays

Poe-Heineman, Marian	Jan 01
Leary, George	Jan 16
Kaplan, Steve	Jan 26
Eger, Carl	Jan 29

Joined Rotary

Accomando, Tom	17 years
Burkhardt, Henry	64 years
Desnoyers, Robert	2 years
Kagan Levine, Joan	18 years
Lord, Danielle	5 years
Oldershaw, Louis	67 years
Seyffer, Kenneth	39 years
Brunault, Peter	10 years
McAndrew, John	2 years
Viens, Kathy	3 years

THE FIRST FOUR ROTARIANS

On 23 February 1905, Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey gathered in Loehr’s office for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting.

Harris’s desire for camaraderie among business associates brought together these four men and eventually led to an international organization of service and fellowship.

Rotary’s founder, Harris, was born in Wisconsin, USA, on 19 April 1868. He was raised by his paternal grandparents in Vermont and attended the University of Vermont, Princeton, and the University of Iowa. He was Rotary president from 1910 to 1912 and a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago until his death on 27 January



The first four Rotarians. From left: Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram E. Shorey, Paul P. Harris. Between 1905 and 1912. Courtesy of Rotary International. Photo Credit: Courtesy of Rotary International.

1947. Learn more about the founder. Loehr, a mining engineer, was born on 18 October 1864 in Carlinville, Illinois. He was a Rotarian for only a few years, never holding office at the club or international level. But that first Rotary meeting was held in his office, Room 711 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago. He died in Chicago on 23 May 1918.

A Rotarian for only a few years, Shorey served as recording secretary during the club’s first year. He was born in Maine in August 1862 and died in March 1944.

Schiele, a coal dealer, served as the Chicago club’s first president in 1905 and Rotary International’s third treasurer in 1945. Born in Terre Haute, Indiana, in June 1870, Schiele attended Terre Haute Business College and served in the U.S. Army during the Spanish-American War. He was president of the Schiele

Coal Company from 1902 until his retirement in 1939. He and Harris became lifelong friends and lived near each other on the South Side of Chicago. Schiele died on 17 December 1945 and is buried near Harris at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Harry L. Ruggles, is often referred to as the “fifth Rotarian.” Originally from Michigan, Ruggles was a graduate of Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, and joined Rotary at its second meeting. He was treasurer of the Chicago club during its first year, president from 1908 to 1910, and a Rotary director from 1912 to 1913. He is known for having introduced singing to Rotary club meetings. His printing company, H.L. Ruggles & Co., printed the first issue of The National Rotarian and the first Rotary songbook. He died on 23 October 1959, an honorary member of seven clubs in addition to his home club, the Rotary Club of Chicago.