

Rotary District 6440 Newsletter

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The Rotary District 6440 Newsletter is filled with announcements, articles, and links to announcements, stories, and information about our clubs, our members and making a difference through Rotary.

District-wide Water Project - September 25 & 26

Would you like to make a difference in your community? Join Rotarians throughout the District by cleaning up your local section of the stream or river passing through your community on Saturday, September 25 or Sunday, September 26.

Water. In Illinois, we tend to take it for granted. Small streams, rivers and canals are in abundance and of course there is Lake Michigan. As the rest of the world worries about having sufficient clean, potable water, we ignore or neglect our waterways. This year, Gov. Bruce Baumberger would like to see a district-wide waterways clean-up day. Let's take just one day in September and work to make a difference in our waterways. This is an easy hands-on project for your club members and their families.

Quick Event Information

See additional information about these events in this newsletter and on the District website at: www.rotary6440.org

GSE Reception

Sunday, August 29
[RSVP](#) due August 21

Literacy Committee Information & Supper Meeting

Wednesday, September 22, from 6 to 8 pm

RSVP required - see story for details

District Water Project

September 25 & 26

Rotary Reads

Want to adopt a beach instead?

Need a hands-on project this year? Here is a ready-made waterways project for your club. The Alliance for the Great Lakes in cooperation with the Coastal Conservancy has set September 25, 2010 as an international clean-up day. There are over 80 beaches around Lake Michigan shoreline that need adoption for this clean-up day. To join in this project, see: www.greatlakes.org/adoptabeachvideos for more information and www.greatlakes.org/adoptabeachforms for sign-up forms. Answers to frequently asked questions can be found at www.greatlakes.org/adoptabeachfaq.

Ryan Maloney of the Alliance for the Great Lakes is the Adopt-a-Beach and Outreach Assistant and can be reached at rmaloney@greatlakes.org.

Please contact [Tamiye Meehan](mailto:Tamiye.Meehan) by email or by phone: 773-368-9425, so she can begin to coordinate District efforts. Please send her the contact names for your club's water projects and, at if you adopt a Lake Michigan beach please send her info on your project.

Family Literacy Day

Monday, November 18

Service Trips to Guatemala

February 5 - 14
February 12 - 21

[Ak'Tenamit video](#)

[Brochure](#) and
[Application](#)

Quick Contact Links

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If you would like to help coordinate a district-wide waterways clean-up day or if your club has had experience in doing this or in helping another organization in their waterway clean-up project, please contact [Tamiye Meehan](#). She would love to hear from you.

End Polio Now - How it All Began

Over \$900 million raised - one man's idea and Rotarians across the globe that signed up to help have changed the world. One thousand (1,000) children a day used to get polio and now there are just 500 plus cases all year. Watch the [video](#) and be inspired by the power of Rotary.

Welcome New Members

Elgin: Susan Angell-Chase and Cheryl Wendt
Evanston: Adam Doty
Highland Park-Highwood: Joshua Grumet and James Hanig
Huntley: Victor Jason and William Jorgensen
Libertyville: Kyle Cashman
Northbrook: M. Mehdi Alister
Rolling Meadows: William Barlow
Schaumburg AM: Dan Opels
Wilmette: Holly Rosencranz
Wilmette Harbor: Abbey Romanek

District 6440 Group on LinkedIn

Bill Matthews of the Schaumburg A.M. Club created a District 6440 LinkedIn group - "Sharing Our Rotary Community - Bridging the District." Participate in local discussions about Rotary topics and share ideas with your fellow District 6440 clubs. For example:

- How does your Club recruit new members?
- What do you do if a speaker cancels at the last minute?
- What are the business benefits of being a member of Rotary?
- How do you attract members in the 35-55 age group?

The group also has subgroups in each of the Avenues of Service.

Like most Rotary activities - Those that participate will receive more than they give. "Try it, you'll like it."

You can find the group by doing a web search for [LinkedIn](#). Register for a LinkedIn user account if you do not already have one and search the group tab for District 6440 Rotary International.

ShelterBox -- We've Done More Than Any Other District!

During the past calendar year, 303 ShelterBoxes were sponsored by 6440 according to the [ShelterBoxUSA](#)

annual report! The second sponsoring district totaled 216. The three hundred and three boxes are sponsored are five times what we sponsored the previous year.

Since Haiti, 14 disasters have been responded to by ShelterBox! Currently, additional ShelterBoxes are now en-route to Pakistan in response to severe flooding.

The need exists and the need persists. Our challenge now will be to keep the momentum going!

Our thanks to the entire district, the matching grant, and the many school kids who made this possible.

The District 6440 ShelterBox Team

GSE South Africa Farewell Reception - an inspiring event in great surroundings, Sunday, August 29

The reception is an excellent opportunity to meet our GSE team that will be leaving for South Africa on September 10, and to hear the their team presentation. This trip will be a lifetime experience for our young professionals who will gain a deeper knowledge of related job responsibilities and an appreciation of the culture of this beautiful country.

District 6440 Rotarians and guests are invited. For complete details, [click on this link](#). A registration form and check payable to the Rotary Club of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff **must be received by August 21, 2010** and sent to:

Rotary Club of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff
Farewell Reception
c/o LakeView Metals
905 Anita Avenue
Antioch, IL 60002

Contact - Kim Harger, 847-838-9800,
kimh@lvmetals.com.

To see the location of the Glen Rowan House, a historical building on the campus of Lake Forest College, please view the Lake Forest College campus [map](#).

Team members are as follows:

Leader: Terry Desmond - Rotary Club of Lake Forest-Lake Bluff

Alternate Leader: Ada Kahn - Rotary Club of Evanston

Team Members and Sponsoring Rotary Clubs:

Deborah Bloom, Winnetka-Northfield

Alison Daigle, Evanston Lighthouse
Angie Kooima, Carol Stream
Michael Wirsing, Waukegan

Your Club's Efforts for Literacy -- An opportunity to share literacy plans for the year.

If you are interested in Rotary's involvement in reading and tutoring programs, or even if you, personally, are looking for things to do with the young children in your life, consider attending The District 6440 Literacy Committee Information Meeting, "Building Literacy Skills-Beneficial To All Concerned", Wednesday, September 22, 2010 from

6 to 8 pm. Supper will be served from 6 to 6:45, followed by the program. Reservations required.

Speakers will include Mary Smith, Head of Youth Services and Barb Mack, Programming and Outreach Assistant, from the Mt. Prospect Public Library. They have some ideas that are fun and will help children get ready to read. They will explore the important early literacy skills children need to be successful in school and provide activities to help you strengthen these skills. Introducing them will be Rhonda Serafin, Manager, Adult Education & Family Literacy, Township High School District 214 Community Education (Mt. Prospect Sunrise Rotary).

Bring ideas to share as well as questions or problems. The event will be held at the:

Schaumburg Public Library District
130 South Roselle Road
Schaumburg IL 60193.

If attending, or for more information, email [Linda Cesario](#) Rotary District Literacy Committee Chair (Arlington Heights Sunrise Rotary) or call her at: 847.392.6273.

There is Literacy information online at the District [website](#).

At your club, celebrate and remember **Rotary Reads/Family Literacy Day** on November 18, 2010.

Change of Crystal Lake's Meeting Location

The Rotary Club of Crystal Lake has changed its meeting location.

They now meets at noon on Mondays at:

Rock's Bar and Grill
394 Virginia St.

Crystal Lake

This notice reminds us that "Making Up Is (not) Hard" to do - a great way to discuss your business or profession, to keep up your attendance, to meet some new folks, and to try a new menu item !

Check the district web site for meeting locations when you know you won't be able to attend your club some week,...or if you're going to be out of your area and looking for lunch...or want to avoid traffic and need breakfast before a business meeting.

Rotary Legislative Changes Affecting Rotary Clubs

We hear of The Foundation and services of RI. But now and then as Rotarians, we also may wonder about what the administrative functions of Rotary International do. Here is an example, some of the recent changes by the Rotary Council on Legislation that may/will affect Rotary clubs:

- No club may limit membership based on sexual orientation.
- Clubs must inform their district governor of a proposed change
 - to the club name or locality at least 10 days before voting on the proposal.
- The immediate past club president will be considered a club officer and a member of the board.
- The RI Board may suspend or terminate the membership of any club that retains any member who has misused funds from The Rotary Foundation or who otherwise has breached the stewardship policies of the Foundation.
- Clubs accepting a transferring or former Rotarian must first secure a certificate from the former member's club confirming that person's membership. The former club is obligated to verify that the member does not owe any debts to the club. A prospective member cannot join a new club until all debts have been paid.

These and other actions, large and small, are taken for the long-term viability and health of the organization, both internationally and at the local club level.

Why are we here ? (as Rotarians).

The August Issue of The Rotarian magazine has a great answer...maybe to the "age-old" question as well. One of the sections outlines the object of rotary.

Remember what it is? "It is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular to encourage and foster:

First...the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

Second...High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations: and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

Third...The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life.

Fourth...The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

"This is only the tip of the Iceberg about the basics of Rotary. You'll find it at page 59 in your August Rotarian. There is a wealth of info about your Rotary organization in just a few information packed pages..."

We thank the Woodstock Noon Rotary Club for this reminder, part of which appeared in their newsletter.

Circularization - Rotary International Code of Policies - Membership Directory is not for personal business mailings or mailing lists!

A few recent incidents prompt this reminder. We are required by the Rotary International Code of Policies to remind our members of the following restrictions on the use of member information. These policies concern circularization, or the solicitation of Rotarians and Rotary clubs for organizational or commercial solicitation purposes.

11.030. Circularization

11.030.1..it is not permissible for a Rotarian to circularize Rotary clubs or other Rotarians on matters affecting his or her individual business interests.

11.030.4. Club and District Directories

Any club ... publishing a directory shall publish in that directory a notice to the effect that the directory is not for distribution to non-Rotarians nor may it be used as a commercial mailing list.

Editor,

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Rotary District 6440

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