Rotary District 6440 Newsletter

Carlos Früm, District Governor

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

Fall Seminar Day Nov 05, 2011

Family Reading / **Rotary Reads Day** Nov 17, 2011

Dist. Gov. Nominee Deadline Dec. 1, 2011

Rotary Internatonal Convention

May 6-9, 2012 Bangkok, Thailand

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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.

Governor's Message



122 Days

Dear Friends in Rotary:

Wow, it's the end of October already! Four months have passed since the beginning of this Rotary year and we are just getting started! You and I are getting busier and busier! Pretty soon the holiday season will be upon us. Many clubs are getting ready to hold their traditional holiday party or fundraiser. What a great opportunity to share Rotary with others!

Please reflect for a moment on that friend or acquaintance who invited you to your first meeting or project. As I mentioned in many of my club visits, we may not remember our induction ceremony but we surely remember our sponsor. We are forever grateful that he or she cared enough to invite us to share his or her passion.

I guess, in a way, sharing Rotary is another way of serving "Above Self". It is providing others with an opportunity to receive the gift of feeling useful. We serve others because it gives meaning to our lives. We "Reach Within" and find strength from the satisfaction we receive improving this world for future generations. Please consider giving others the same gift.

In the current issue of *The Rotarian* magazine President Kalyan <u>auotes</u> Sir Moses Montefiore: "... in life we are worth only what we are willing to share with others." How true this sounds as we look forward to Thanksgiving!

Yours in Rotary Service

Governor Carlos

Looking for New Members? Consider hosting a Rotary After Hours.

The Mount Prospect - Prospect Heights Rotary club recently initiated a monthly Rotary After Hours at the local Bar Louie. Usually held on the third Monday of the month, the group has had a successful fellowship and social gathering in addition to bringing awareness of Rotary to new members of the community.

In addition, they plan to open the event up to neighboring rotarians who might need to do a make-up. While there is no formal program,



Jim Uszler, President of the club brings along his laptop, so Rotary International information is at his fingertips through the Wi-Fi connection at the restaurant. Usually appetizers and libations are purchased by participants, not the

club, but larger clubs might have their own suggestions on how they want to handle this.

Does your club have an interesting membership idea? The Membership Committee would like to hear from you so we can share it with others - click <u>here</u>.

A Daughter's Thoughts about Growing Up in a Rotary Family

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From Alexandra (Sandy) Artisuk-Lynch's speech at Park Ridge Rotary's 50th Anniversary, "...My father, Alexander Artisuk was a charter member; my memories tonight will include the years 1961-1992. Not necessarily in chronological order, but in MY mind, AWESOME order...Yes, Rotary has changed over the years, they inducted Joyce Christensen as their first woman, and I was inducted by President Dan Hogan, when I was pregnant with Amelia, and she just turned 19 last month. And No, Rotary has not changed over the years. Rotary still gives me excitement and a sense of helping others, belonging and family, people you can count on and who put service above self. Thank you, DAD for bringing Rotary into my life; I feel I am a better person because of it."

To read Sandy's loving speech, click here.

What you've done, What we've done Does make a difference !

As Rotarians, we know we continue to give. We give because it's right...but there's also something surprising to be proud of, too, here in 6440 --

We are:

- #1 in total donations since 1917
- #1 in Endowed Funds with almost 25% of total
- #1 in Arch Klumph members with more than 1/3 of total
- #2 in Major Donors
- #3 in Paul Harris Society members
- #1 in Sponsored Scholarships
- #1 in Grants with almost 25% of total

Our giving enables Rotary to do more, and enables us, as individuals our clubs to do more. As we think about October 24 having been World Polio Day, and November being Foundation Month, we've a lot to be proud of, and to continue to build upon !

We can make a difference !



"A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove ... But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child." ... Forest E. Witcraft, from the RRFC Zone 28 October Newsletter (to read interesting material from the Zone, clock <u>here</u>)

District News Items -- a Long List of Short Items

• Transition Changes for the District, and <u>new nomination</u> <u>deadline</u> - District Governor Elect (DGE) Dick Larson withdrew from the position of DG 2012-13 for health reasons. His condition is not life threatening and he will remain active in the District and assist in the transition.

Following the District 6440 Manual of Procedure, District Governor Nominee (DGN) Mike Yesner was invited and accepted to move into the DGE position. We are also pleased to report that District Governor Nominee Designate (DGND) Sarah Oliver accepted the invitation to become the new DGN and will serve in 2013-2014. We wish Dick, Mike and Sarah well. The new, revised deadline for DGE applications coming to <u>Gov. Carlos</u> is 12/1/11.

 Group Study Exchange to Taiwan Selected - At a meeting chaired by GSE Outbound Co-Chair Paul Larson, from the RC of Evanston, a committee selected the following members for the Group Study Exchange Team to District 3480 in Taipei, Taiwan: --Jessica Angelos, sponsored by the RC of Gurnee; --Nermina Krneta, sponsored by the RC of Skokie Valley; --Jackie Salemi, sponsored by the RC of Carol Stream; --Betty Wang, sponsored by the RC of Wilmette Harbor; and --as alternate, Nicole Jacobson, Waukegan RC.

The Team will be lead by Ada Kahn, of the RC of Evanston. The GSE General Chair is Jim Runnfeldt of the RC of Long Grove. Congratulations to the whole team and the committee.



clock wise from top left Betty, Jessica, Jackie, Nermina, center Ada

- Friends of our Dist. to in Rotary Leadership Gov. Carlos reports that Mary Beth Growney Selene from Zone 28 and Celia Elena Cruz de Giay from Zone 23B have been nominated for RI Directors 2013-15. "It is good to see two more very capable women selected. Congratulations to Mary Beth and Celia, both good friends of 'The Home District'!"
- Position Open --Central States Youth Exchange is looking for a new Treasurer. Accounting background is recommended but not necessary. For a description of the job, click <u>here</u>. You may submit your candidacy to Youth Exchange Chair Bill Summers at <u>bsummers@rye6440.org</u>.
- Still Time for "Fall Seminar ABCs of Rotary" NOVEMBER 5 - New Members, learn what makes Rotary worthwhile! Long-Term Members, rejuvinate and learn what's new! To see what it's about, click here.
- Want some Money for Community Projects? - Check out whether you qualify for a District Simplified Grant (DSG). Information is available: click the District website grant page.



- A Senior District Rotarian Keeps Active and Committeed
 87-year-old Walter Reed does us all proud through his commitment and continued service. See his unique story ("Local Rotarian in the News", and others on the <u>District</u> <u>Website</u> -- look at the pull-down menues/pages entitled on "In The News" and "Stories".
- Another Rotaract Club -- 48 Students Strong ! -- Rotary of Batavia President, Tim Wulff, announced the formation of a new Rotaract club based at Batavia High School. Erin Janca, Dean of Students, orginized and developed the Club and contiues to work with it. There are forty eight students signed up, with the possibility of many more. They have had

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fundraisers and raffles, and are working with the Batavia Food Pantry. "We at the Batavia club are pround and happy to have this interact Club", according to Jack Jangelis, Intetract Coordinator.

• A few spaces remain for National Immunization Day -



A few spaces are still available for the NID trip to India with lots of sightseeing and tourism opportunities. Please <u>check</u> or see our website (<u>www.rotary6440.org</u>), the left-hand ad.

Climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro To Fund Water Wells - a Rotarian Adventure

"A father/son duo with ties to Barrington and Lake Zurich have successfully climbed 19,340 feet to the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro in northeastern Tanzania, Africa while raising funds to dig new drinking wells in Kenya." To read about their adventure and their project, and see more photos, click here (until 11/11/11)



Larry Barnett, a member of the Rotary Club of Barrington (noon), and his son Brad

What happens in Vocational Service ?

For an area that many clubs seem to struggle with, there are inspiring ideas and examples. To see the Rotarian International page which includes our district's efforts as an example among several, click <u>here</u> -- high school students being trained as part of the district's ongoing service project in Guatemala.



Welcome, New Members !

Barrington Breakfast	Vernon	Jones
Bartlett	Michael	Fellow
Buffalo Grove	Aaron	Appell
	Kevin	Weasler
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Carol Stream	Sandra	Gbur
Crystal Lake Dawnbreakers	Eric	Blum

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		Kelly	Nudera		
	Elgin Breakfast	Sam	Boytor		
		Don	Gaylord		
	Evanston Lighthouse	Maria	Simon		
	Fox Lake-Round Lake Area	Michael	Kohlmeyer		
		David	Zipp		
	Geneva	Kyle	Hempel		
	Glenview-Sunrise	Tom	Brigham		
	Gurnee	Dennis	Anderson		
		Paul	Achlov		
	Lake in the Hills	Frank	Ashley Abitua		
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		Dot	Dustin		
		Keith	Puralewski		
	Lake Zurich	David	Wheelock		
	Lincolnshire Morning Star	Marc	Sing		
	McHenry	Michael	Hein		
		Sue	Low		
		Ronald	Newman		
	McHenry - Sunrise	Nancy	Tunberg		
	Northbrook	Galina	Iklov		
		Michael	Nevling		
	Palatine	David	Mercer		
	Park Ridge	Kevin	Dwyer		
	Schaumburg-Hoffman Ests.	Cristobal	Hinojosa		
		Jaime	Leyva		
		William	Mulvaney		
	Skokie Valley	Mary	Jones		
		Michael	Pechter		
	Wilmette Harbor Rotary Club	Carol	Wells		
	Winnetka-Northfield	Tim	Dohrer		

See the Spotlight on Membership feature, upper left on the District website for an acknowledgement of several sponsors.

Bangkok -- Reasonable Air Fares and Blocked Rooms Available



Click on photo to see more of Bangkok

Our Zone will offer a dinner cruise on "the River of the Kings." For more information, click <u>here</u>. Register early because there will be two seatings for the opening plenary session: we would like everybody to be on the first turn so they can take advantage of the "Northland" tour of the city and dinner cruise.

Click to Learn about Discounts on Air Fairs

To Learn More and/or Register, see the <u>Rotary.org</u> website

"Handicamp" opportunity.

You have to hand it to the Norwegian Rotarians! They have been hosting a camp for the physically disabled, aged 18 to 28, for nineteen years! Would you like to say thank you to one of our brave soldiers? To learn more, click <u>here</u>. Dist. Rotarian, Bob Paddock, noted that his daughter found this volunteer experience one of the most meaningful of her life.



Bob Paddock Editor



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