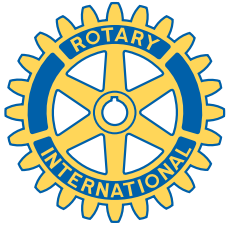


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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP: 246

AMBASSADORS: Bob Priem, Rice Lake, WI.

GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY: Linda Bonow, Sarah Burrington, Lynn Clarey, Chris Colby, Jerry Downes, Joe McBride.

ECLUB: Sarah Burrington, Mark Cairns, Margaret Hinz.

RESIGNATIONS: Doug Pritchard, Mike Podulke.

ROTARY OPPORTUNITIES

Rotary Readers

Rotary Readers is an opportunity for Rotarians to provide a mentoring experience for a child's educational development. In the regular classroom, readers will listen to children read and help them with pronunciation and word definition.

In the Newcomers classroom (this is for students who have limited English proficiency), readers will interact with students in both reading and math. The ASA program is an after school program that provides additional learning experiences for students and also involves interaction in both reading and math.

The program is at Riverside Central Elementary School from October 5, 2009 to April 28, 2010 and runs Monday - Thursday. If there are days of the week that are better for you, please indicate accordingly.

Questions or to sign up please contact Cris Fischer at 269-6268.

Serve as a Library Host

Hosts at the Rochester Public Library assist with maintaining a helpful and friendly atmosphere.

Starting in October, our Club will serve as hosts on Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Please use the sign up sheet at our weekly meetings or if you would like more information, please talk to Alan Sessler, Tom Behrenbeck or Peggy.

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
August 1	Chris Colby	Scottsbluff, NE
September 3	Jerry Downes	Minneapolis, MN
September 4	Cris Fischer	Rochester, MN
September 5	Jodi Millerbernd	Cambridge, 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
September 30	LuAnn Hiniker	Mankato, MN

ROTARY NEWS

- You need to make sure that you scan your badge at every meeting so that you get attendance credit. THE BLUE ATTENDANCE CARDS ARE GONE.
- Have you paid your dues? Statements were sent out in early July – If you did not receive a statement please let Peggy know. The *semi-annual amount is \$195* and the *annual amount is \$390*. If you pay semi-annually you will be billed again in December. Thank you for your continued support.
- Your Rotary attendance requirements are 50% in a six month period. If you miss a meeting (or two or three...) you do have other options:

Get involved in one of our MANY volunteer opportunities.

Make-up at another Rochester Club.

When you're traveling, make-up at a Club in another city/country.

EClub (Please visit our Web site for more information about EClub)

- Just a few weeks left until the Quarry Hill Fall Festival! We need volunteers on Saturday, September 19th and Sunday, September 20th to work in the food wagon and the kitchen. We need 40 volunteers over the course of the two days. Guaranteed fun, rain or shine! Please sign up at a meeting or contact Peggy or Carla Nelson for more information.
- Don't forget to use the sign-up sheets on the back table at our weekly meetings. We need help with the: *4 Way Test, White Oaks Park, Invocations, Greeters, Visitor's Desk* and *Library Hosts*. These are easy opportunities to get involved with your Club.
- Thanks for your assistance at the July meetings: Invocations: **Karel Weigel, Barbara Porter, Rick Lien, Audrey Betcher**; Introduction of Visitors: **Rick Lien, Tom Moyer, Jim Wiekamp, Phil Karsell**; Visitor's Desk: **Angie Rustad, Sue Dripps, Cynthia Shaffer**; Greeters: **Linda Hillenbrand, Fred Suhler, Josef Chlachula**; 4 Way Test: **Steve Rossello, Tom Bruckman, Ann Beatty, Mark Neville**. Cashier: **James Gibson**

The phone number and email address for the Rotary Office are the same as they when Lois was working. Please use 252-0085 and romnrotary@charter.net to contact Peggy.

SEPTEMBER ROTARY CALENDAR	
September 3	Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - Shelter Box Program
September 10	Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - Club Assembly - results of the membership survey
September 17	Marriott Hotel - Ballroom - Richard Hurt, "Hiroshima - City of Peace"
September 24	Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall - Lee Aase, "The evolution of social medial tools: Twitter and Facebook 101"

OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS	
September 1	Basketball Tournament Steering Committee - 12 p.m. - US Bank
September 9	Community Food Response - Contact Glenn VanLaningham
September 10	Rotary Board of Directors Meeting 7 a.m., Directors Room, Kahler Hotel
September 19-20	Quarry Hill Fall Festival
September 22	Rotary Information Meeting - 12 p.m. - Directors Room, Kahler Hotel
September 23	Happy Hour - 5-7 p.m. - Macho Nacho Bar and Grill at LaQuinta Inn, 1625 South Broadway

Rotary Anniversaries

Jerry Schliep	9/1/1974	35 years
Frank Sharbrough	9/1/1983	26 years
Lois Nietz	9/1/1987	22 years
Linda Bonow	9/1/1993	16 years
Hilla Ferguson	9/1/1993	16 years
Laurel Schacht	9/1/2001	8 years
Paul Bleimeyer	9/1/2005	4 years
Susan Johnson	9/4/2008	1 year
Paul Tieskoetter	9/4/2008	1 year
David Harbert	9/6/2007	2 years
James Sloan	9/9/2004	5 years
Sue Dripps	9/12/1996	13 years
Karel Weigel	9/17/1998	11 years
Sandra Means	9/19/1996	11 years
Cresta Deeds	9/21/2006	3 years
Daniel Kelly	9/21/2006	3 years
Mark Ostrem	9/27/2007	2 years

Welcome New Members

We are pleased to welcome **David Carl** and **Michael Olesen** who were inducted into membership in August. Please look for their red badges and take time to introduce yourself and welcome them to Rotary.



Welcome back former member David Carl, Gamehaven Council, proposed by Bob Bock.



Proposer Gail Sauter and new member Michael Olesen, University of Minnesota - Rochester.

STRIVE Matching Challenge

The STRIVE Committee has been presented with a great fundraising opportunity – two anonymous donors have offered a **matching challenge** where any donations from **Rotarians to the STRIVE program** will be matched dollar for dollar up to a **total of \$2,000 until Friday, September 18, 2009**. This matching offer extends to all three Rotary Clubs.



Since 1999, the STRIVE program has had a positive effect on the students & mentors who have participated. The increase in the student's GPA's is unbelievable and they take such pride in their progress as well as the friendships they establish with their mentor. Students who never thought they were college material have received scholarships and attended higher education institutions. Your contributions will help to continue this worthwhile mentorship program.

Please consider a monetary donation during this period of time so we can maximize the leverage of this donation. Contributions can be made during the Rotary meetings or can be sent to:

Rochester Rotary - STRIVE
1916 Scenic Point Lane SW
Rochester, MN 55902
(507) 252-0085

Regards,

The STRIVE Committee
Suzanne Dinusson – STRIVE Funding Chair 09-10

We still are looking for STRIVE mentors for the 2009-2010 school year. Please visit www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org and click on the STRIVE link to sign up online.

Rain, rain go away

The bad news . . . the Rotary Golf Outing was rained out. The good news . . . many of the golfers donated their greens fees to **STRIVE** and many of the prizes were raffled off for **a grand total of \$1,280!**

Special thanks to Joe McBride and Mark Dripps for organizing the event and to EVERYONE who donated prizes!

Rotation Day – October 8, 2009

What happens on a Rotation Day?

All members either host or are assigned a place to go for lunch. This goes back to the early days of Rotary when Rotarians rotated their meeting site each week. It gives you the opportunity to get to know each other a little better and find out about your host's occupation.

What is the host's responsibility?

Hosts sign up and give the number of members they would like to accommodate for lunch. This can vary from a minimum of six to whatever number you have room for. Hosts are given a list of names to host, and they invite their guests - giving directions, etc. They order lunches. All members have already paid for their Rotation Day lunches with their dues so all the host has to do is submit a billing to the office for the lunches.



During the meeting time, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – members can introduce themselves and the hosts can tell about their occupation and in some cases go on a tour of their facilities. They take attendance and turn it in to the office.

This is a great vocational opportunity that only happens twice a year! Would you be interested in hosting a group of your fellow Rotarians for lunch at your business? Please talk to Suzanne Dinusson or Peggy for more information.

A visit from District Governor Newell Krogmann



August 20, 2009 - President Dana Funk, District Governor Newell Krogmann, Assistant District Governor and TRCR member Mike O'Fallon and District Governor-Elect Craig Leiser after the Governor's visit and presentation to TRCR.



HAPPY HOUR FOR OUR RAUCOUS ROTARY CLUB

September 23rd 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

\$4.00/person for appetizers - Happy Hour specials for drinks - Outside patio available

Come and get to know your fellow Rotarians better!

Spouses and partners welcome.

Please sign up at a meeting for an indication of numbers for food or contact Peggy to sign up.

Macho Nacho Bar and Grill
Located in the La Quinta Inn
1625 South Broadway



Remember . . .



Rotary International Foundation Contributions

Our Club goal this year is 100% participation. We are asking all members to contribute the amount that best fits your current situation. No amount is too small. Please contact Doug Rovang or Peggy if you have questions about contributing to the Foundation or send your check today.

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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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ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

Mike O'Fallon, Rochester Rotary

WEB SITES

Rochester Rotary: www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org

Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: www.rotary5960.org

Rotary International: rotary.org

ACTIVE COMMITTEES

Four Avenues of Service
Club, Vocational, Community, International

CLUB SERVICE I

Audrey Betcher, Director

Greeters *Paul Tieskoetter*
 Membership Development *Karel Weigel*
 Visitors Desk *Christine Beech*
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 Mentors *Bill Wiktor*

CLUB SERVICE II

Steve Rossello, Director

Club Bulletin *Lorie Luedke, Peggy Schroeder*
 Club Web Site *Mike Grinnell, Lorie Luedke*
 Invocations *Anne Berberich*
 Programs *Rick Lien*
 Public Relations *Mark Dripps*
 Four-Way Test *Tom Bruckman*

CLUB SERVICE III

Ann Beatty, Director

Bell Ringing - Salvation Army *Richard Brubaker*
 Golf Day *Joe McBride*
 Music *Jane Belau*
 Rotary Information *Leigh Johnson*

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Suzanne Dinusson, Director

Rotation Day *Suzanne Dinusson*
 STRIVE *Linda Herrick*
 Vocational Talks *Fred Banfield*
 Auction 2010 *Lorie Luedke*

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Stacy Sinner, Director

Library Host *Allan Sessler, Tom Behrenbeck*
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic *Paul Barton, Lorie Luedke, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht*
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival *Carla Nelson, Brenda Walker*
 Rotary Reading Project *Cris Fischer, Christian Milaster*
 Service Above Self Awards *Cresta Deeds, Linda Hillenbrand*
 Student Guests *Allie Good, Barbara Porter*
 Camp RYLA *Steve Rossello, Ashleigh Rosson*
 White Oaks Park *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*
 Community Food Response *Glenn VanLaningham, Paul Bleimeyer*
 Channel One *Mike O'Fallon, Tom Moyer*

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Dave Moertel, Director

Foundational Scholarships *Steve Sponsel*
 Group Study Exchange Team *Gilda Banfield*
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 YouthLINC & Youth Exchange *Vicki Allen*
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 World Community Service *Judith O'Fallon*