



"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" - "HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST"

The Four Way Test

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

The Big Wheel

April 19, 2007

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Next Week: April 26 – Mayor Arlene Mulder – State of the Village

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Jon Ridler: Classification Speech

Article by Bob Paddock. Photo by Steve Sampson.

Jon Ridler gave his classification talk which was also a celebration of the 60-year history of the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce. He reviewed interesting aspects of the chamber's activities, its heritage . . . and, by popular demand, his own.

He grabbed our attention with photos of

Chamber President's—it was great to see how many past and current friends have been

influential in the Chamber. [Bill Kmiecik, you should have a happy fine next week to acknowledge spouse Betsy appearing at the meeting today even though you couldn't!]

Back in 1924, street signs were a major project of the Business Association, a predecessor to the Chamber. Back then folks must have not only known everyone's name, but also where they lived. Jon went on to talk of today's goals and outreach—the Young Professional's committee, Small Proprietor's group serving at-home businesses, and the groups serving Uptown, Downtown and South Town.

A "60-Year Celebration" will be held at the Arlington Park Track on May 5, 2007, with a fun focus on the decades of progress, including music of the times. The Chamber's story is one of success. In 2006 it has 538 members. The 2007 Goal is 600.



Jon Ridler
*Chair, PR & FUN
Committee*

An accompanying success story is Jon Ridler's own – married to wife, Sharon, with four great children, Ally, Ben, Carolyn, and Daniel. Jon grew up in Minnesota, so we have to forgive him for rooting for "that" team. He worked in Elgin area youth ministries for ten years, planned regional and national conferences, in the process developed an interest in hospitality and also worked two and a half years with the Elgin Area Convention and Visitors' Bureau. (See Jon's profile in the February 1, 2007 *Big Wheel*.)

For an audacious, but not risqué story, ask Jon how he proposed. It demonstrates why he is a success at our Arlington Chamber, too.



Membership

April 19th Presentation by Jim Miller. Article by Bob Paddock, Photo by Steve Sampson.

In the first weekly committee report under the new Rotary structure, **Jim Miller** explained the focus of the Membership Committee, which he chairs.

Membership is not the responsibility of the Membership Committee alone; rather it is the responsibility of all club members. Talk up Rotary to your friends, give the name of those interested to the committee, and we will do "the close."

Because membership affects, and is affected by, the work of the other committees, communication and coordination is a focus as well. Jim cited examples where the Membership Committee can work with:



- Club Administration to make our club member-friendly and to involve new members immediately
- Vocational Service to establish an Interact Club to offer youngsters and their parents membership opportunities, and
- Public Relations to create creative informative brochures for current future club members

Jim was running out of his “ten minutes,” so he concluded by encouraging us to bring potential members to social and service events so they can see Rotary in action.



Club Administration

Article by Lynn Jensen.

This committee has the primary responsibility of *organizing* the operations of the club. Members of the committee include: Ron Popp, Terry Ennes, Scott Johnson, Tim Corrigan, Bill Bodinus, Linda Borton, Rick Koebernick, Pat McMahon and Lynn Jensen (Committee Chair).

In the weeks leading up to the beginning of Rotary Year 2007-08, the committee will be focusing on improving and enhancing the Club's:

- Website
- Newsletter
- Programs

To do so, the Club Administration Committee will need the support and involvement of individuals who are members of the other committees. Proposed changes for these activities will be discussed in future issues of the *Big Wheel*. In this article we want to discuss the logistics of our weekly meetings and what changes are being contemplated.

Making The Meetings Happen

In addition to the work done by the Club's Program Director, four teams and a large number of club members are essential to making each club meeting go smoothly. These teams and team leaders are:

- Room Set-up and Take Down (**Pete Cavoto**)
- Greeters including taking attendance (**Nick Chrisos**)

- Reporters who do the write-up on the activities of each meeting (**Bob Paddock**)
- Photographers who take most of the pictures that you see in the newsletter and will see on our website in the future (**Steve Sampson**)

For Rotary Year 2007-08, Rick Koebernick will be the team leader who organizes *room set-up and take down*.

Tom Forncrook will take on the responsibility of leader for the *team of greeters*. We will ask **Bill Bodinus** to help Tom implement a proposal that Bill put forward at our planning meeting to have each team of greeters consist of at least one seasoned Rotarian as well as newer members.

Pat McMahon will assume the lead roll in organizing the Club's *weekly meeting reporters*. **Bob Paddock** will continue to serve on this team.

Steve Sampson will continue as the team leader of the *photographers*.

Each team leader will:

- set up a schedule prior to the beginning of the quarter that assigns individual members to specific dates
- establish procedures for making schedule changes when necessary during the quarter.

Anyone who wants to volunteer to serve on these teams for the quarter beginning on July 1, 2007 should contact the respective team leader identified above. If the team leaders do not get enough volunteers for upcoming quarters, they will contact the Club's committee chairs to help round out the teams for that quarter.



Project Services-Community Service (PS-C)

Assisting Clearbrook

Article by Bob Nash. Photo by Steve Sampson.

Last week Bob Nash mentioned that Clearbrook had made a request for volunteers to help with their Jelly Belly Days on Friday, May 18th and Saturday, May



19th.

Accompanying this *Big Wheel* are:

- A Jelly Belly Event Overview Sheet and
- A Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet (which lists the various suburbs and the shifts for intersections and storefronts for both days)

Anyone who is interested in volunteering or has further questions should contact Janis Edelheit by phone, fax or email as indicated below. She will help get you signed up for the perfect spot!

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Mayor's Annual Community Scholarship

Arlington Heights is offering a unique scholarship, The Mayor's Annual Community Scholarship, to support its adult residents in need of education and training to support their career goals.

Please visit the Village of Arlington Heights Website at www.vah.com to download an application or call 847-368-5100 for more information.

Application Deadline is May 18th, 2007



Getting To Know Your Fellow Rotarians

Article by Lynn Jensen. Picture from Kris Stabler.

Profiling Club Officers

Kris Stabler, our Club Treasurer, is as close to being a native of Arlington Heights as one can be without being born here. Her family moved to Arlington Heights in 1952 and one of her two brothers still resides here. She and her parents now live in Rolling Meadows.



Kristine Stabler
Club Treasurer
2004-07

She has one son, Paul, who is 31 and will marry on June 2 of this year. She is "looking forward to having grandchildren, but only when her son and future daughter-in-law are ready!"

Kris began her academic career in kindergarten at North School and then transferred to St. James Parochial Grade School. She attended Sacred Heart of Mary High School and the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts. In her student years, she spent her leisure time at Recreation Park, swimming in the summer and ice skating in the winter. Her first jobs were volunteering at Northwest Community Hospital (NWCH) and working part time at the Arlington Theatre.

Professionally Kris has come a long ways since those early jobs. She is Vice President of Community Relations at Arlington Park Racecourse, a position she assumed in 1996. On March 7, 2007, she celebrated her 25th anniversary with the Racecourse. During her career there, she has worked as Vice President of Sales and developed Group Sales and Customer Service Departments.

Kris has always been actively involved in our village's civic and community life. She serves or has served on many boards, including:

- The Village Bank Board
- Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce Board for 9 years and the Chamber President in 1999
- Special Leisure Services Foundation Board
- Arlington Heights United Way Board
- Greater Woodfield Convention and Visitors Board for 11 years and President in 2003-2005

Through Kris' efforts, Northwest Community Hospital has partnered with Arlington Park to service the Racecourse backstretch residents and raise funds for the hospital foundation. She is a "life time" member of the NWCH Women Auxiliary and has served on the Fashion Show committee. Kris has participated in two recent panel discussions regarding the future of the hospital.

Kris is also active on Village committees. Currently she is serving on the Arlington Economic Alliance Commission and the Arlington Heights task force that is developing long range plans for our downtown area.

Even though she has a full schedule with work and her involvement in public and private boards, she still finds time to enjoy gardening, biking, crafts and traveling in her spare time.

In September 1997, Carol Gabrielson sponsored Kris to become a member of our club. Since joining, Kris has been involved with numerous projects, activities and committees. Most notable among these are the:

- Holiday Shopping Project
- Thanksgiving Dinner Project
- Raffle Committee
- Birthday Committee
- Special Event Planning and
- Village's Immunization Clinics

She joined the Board of Directors in 1999 as Director of Community Service. In 2004, she became the Club Treasurer.

According to Kris, she has made some wonderful friends in Rotary and has enjoyed working with such a group of dedicated community volunteers. In the last 10 years, she has seen much growth in our club. She feels fortunate to be part of such an active club that continues to look to the future and is not afraid of change. Embracing new opportunities will help our club stay on the cutting edge of innovation, attract new members and engage our current members.

Kris attributes the successes she has enjoyed over the years to the great upbringing that she enjoyed as a child. Her parents were always there for her brothers and her. She feels that the morals and values they taught Kris and her siblings have helped guide them through often challenging lives. She finds that the same morals and values are the very cornerstone of Rotary.



Club News

Article by Bob Paddock. Photos by Steve Sampson.

Races Run, Victories To Celebrate

We know why this Rotarian is smiling.



We just wonder what kind of a happy fine he is going to pay the next time we see him. But that is a matter between **John Scaletta** and the Fine Master.

Congratulations, Mr. Trustee, on a race well run and a victory deserved. Your club is proud of you, John!



Our \$10 Grand Raffle Update

Jim Hassenplug reminded us there are only a couple of weeks left to sell and report raffle tickets sales. He and **Kris Stabler** ask that we turn in the tickets and money before the event so there isn't a need to do time-consuming tallying "the day of" the raffle. **Jim Bertucci** said there are printable Raffle brochures on the web site. Get your prizes to Scott Whisler. Money can be left for Kris at the Track (in a sealed envelope with her name on it; she isn't giving any odds!).



April Birthdays

Bill Mahoney's birthday Rotarians included **Paul Hester**, sponsored by **Ken Alger**, and **Mike Field**, sponsored by former-Rotarian **Fran Rogers**.



Bob Morman did a *mea culpa* for missing the immunization clinic on Monday of this week. Perhaps that's the sign of a good manager—his "people" doing a great job in his absence. Bob gave a hardy "Thank You" to **Bill Kmiecik**, **Ron Crawford**, **Bob Nash**, **Mike Silverman** and **Lynn Jensen** (see last week's *Big Wheel*).



District Conference Held at Grand Geneva Resort

Article by Ron Crawford. Photo courtesy of Rod Adams, Arlington Heights Sunrise Club.

District 6440 recently held its annual conference, April 20-22nd at the Grand Geneva Resort in Lake



Geneva, Wisconsin. Our club was represented by President Ron Popp and his wife, Helen.

Other attendees from our club were Lew O'Donnell and his wife Helen (picture to left), Bob Morman and his wife Joanne, and Ron Crawford.

All of them attended the Paul Harris Luncheon on Friday, where they listened to Bill Gates, Sr., the President of the Gates Foundation, applaud the accomplishments of Rotary toward the eradication of polio and other projects around the world. The inbound Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team from England gave a presentation on their trip so far (for more information, see the article in last week's *Big Wheel*). Finally, the members of the recent mission to Guatemala—including Bob Paddock, Ron Crawford and Scott Davis from our club—were recognized for being part of the first District-wide mission to another country.



More “Club News” as Seen Through The Eyes of The Fine Master

Article by Bob Paddock. Photos Steve Sampson.



Fine Master Jim Hassenplug gave us time to express our happiness. Among the many “Happy Rotarians” were:

“Cake Man” Bill Mahoney returning from sunny Florida and celebrating a grandson (perhaps a “Petit Four?”)



Proud Of Their Awards Were:



Deb Whisler for the library's new video blog

Bob Paddock, Jr.

for the *Daily Herald* photographer's national photo award



... AND ...



Jim Bertucci—who when he isn't raffling off chance tickets for our \$10 Grand May 10th Raffle—is receiving the Historical Society's *Business Leader of the Year Award*.

Fine Master Hassenplug took a parting shot, with “trivia material you can use” —where does the term “golf” come from? Ask Jim Hassenplug for the politically-incorrect answer that is sure to get your foursome's conversation going.



From Rotary International & District 6440

Run/Walk & District Picnic - Evanston - June 10

Republished from Rotary District 6440 website. Posted on Apr 21 2007

The effort to globally eradicate polio is nearly finished. Join us on June 10 at this combined district event to celebrate the efforts and raise money through the annual Race to the Finish 5K Run and 5K Walk hosted and a Joint District 6440/6450 Picnic at the Northwestern University Campus in Evanston.

Districts 6440 and 6450 will match Rotarian race entry fees, and Race to the Finish donations dollar-for-dollar, and Rotary International will match them at \$.50 per dollar. We hope individual clubs will also match their participants to add further leverage. The Race/Walk is hosted by the Rotary Club of Chicago Financial District.

Then, following the run join the Evanston Lighthouse Rotary Club and the Rotary Club of Evanston at a

family buffet picnic open to all District 6440 and 6450 Rotarians, family, friends, and race participants. Start summer right by enjoying the day at the spectacular lakefront with your Rotary family. Besides the good food there are many activities planned. You can play volleyball and lawn sports of all kinds, listen to the music, or sit back and enjoy the view. Take advantage of the fishing and the bike trails along the shore by bringing your fishing poles and bicycles.

The picnic and fun activities at the Northwestern University campus will go from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on the Norris Center East Lawn, 1 block north of the parking deck at Sheridan & Campus Drive. The picnic goes on rain or shine.

Print a copy of an event flyer by [clicking here](#). For more information and to register, go to www.racetothefinish.org.



Save The Date: Governor's Installation Dinner
Jun 28, 2007
Stonegate Conference Centre
Hoffman Estates



Rotarians absent on 4/19/07

Barnish, Behrens, Berry, Billimoria, Bodinus, Boggs, Burnidge, Chisholm, Crawford, Davis, Duchek, Ennes, Forncrock, French, Heller, Jensen, Johnson, Key, Koebernick, Landwehr, McMahon, Murray, Nebel, Nuccio, Oakes, Ohrstrom, Ryan, Scaletta, Seiler, Stuckmeyer, Whisler, Wilson

Pledge of Allegiance, 4-Way Test and Invocation

2007

May 3 – Tim Corrigan
May 10 – Nick Chrisos
May 17 – Mary Cay Chisholm
May 24 – Peter J. Cavoto
May 31 – Jennifer Burnidge
May Stand In – David Boggs

June 7 – Linda Borton
June 14 – Ronald Bodinus
June 21 – Robert Blaseck
June 28 – Bill Billimoria
June Stand In – James Bertucci

Scheduled Rotarians are responsible for contacting their stand-in should they not be available for their assignment.

Upcoming Programs & Events:

2007

April 26 – Secretaries Day Luncheon
May 10 – Rotary Raffle

Any ideas for programs? Know someone that would be a good future speaker? ...Contact Tim Corrigan at (847) 394-0266, or e-mail him at tcorrigan@corriganinc.com

If you have any announcements that you would like to see in the newsletter please email them to cquebbemann@arlingtonpark.com



Event: CLEARBROOK JELLY BELLY® DAYS

Annual fundraiser during which board members, staff, clients, volunteers and local businesses come together to collect donations at storefronts and intersections. Just like magic, your gift of a few hours of volunteer time will raise money and “sweeten” the lives of 2,900 children and adults with developmental disabilities supported by Clearbrook.

Date & Times: May 18 & 19, 2007
Friday 6:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location(s): Various businesses and intersections throughout Chicago and the North and Northwest Suburbs.

How you can help:

- Join friends, family and other volunteers to collect donations at an intersection or storefront at or near your home or business site on Friday and/or Saturday, May 18 & 19th.
- Adopt a corner and staff it with your co-workers or friends on one or both days, with a little spirited competition among teams. *It's a great team-building experience!*
- Or, make a matching donation of funds collected by your employees.
- Or, bring a can to your office

About Us: Since its establishment in 1955, Clearbrook has emerged as a leader in the field of developmental disabilities by creating innovative opportunities for more than 2,900 children and adults, as well as their families. Based in Northern Illinois, Clearbrook provides residential, day training and vocational services at 40-plus locations in many suburban communities of Chicago. With approximately 600 individuals on the current waiting list for residential services, 83 percent of every dollar raised by Clearbrook goes directly into programs and services.

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CLEARBROOK'S 18th ANNUAL JELLY BELLY DAYS

Making a Difference in the Lives of
Children & Adults with Developmental Disabilities

MAY 18 & 19, 2007



- ☐ Yes, I would like to be a Clearbrook Jelly Belly Days Volunteer!
☐ I am unable to tag, but I wish to support Clearbrook with the donation enclosed: _____

Name (please print)

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number

Business Phone

Email Address

Employer or School

Clearbrook Relationship (staff, client, parent, family member, volunteer)

Please check your preferences:

Location:

- | | | |
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| <input type="radio"/> Algonquin | <input type="radio"/> Gurnee | <input type="radio"/> Mount Prospect |
| <input type="radio"/> Barrington | <input type="radio"/> Hoffman Estates | <input type="radio"/> Palatine |
| <input type="radio"/> Buffalo Grove | <input type="radio"/> Huntley | <input type="radio"/> Park Ridge |
| <input type="radio"/> Chicago | <input type="radio"/> Lake in the Hills | <input type="radio"/> Rolling Meadows |
| <input type="radio"/> Des Plaines | <input type="radio"/> Lake Zurich | <input type="radio"/> Schaumburg |
| <input type="radio"/> Elk Grove Village | <input type="radio"/> Libertyville | <input type="radio"/> Wheeling |
| <input type="radio"/> Glenview | <input type="radio"/> Morton Grove | |

Location Type:

☐ Intersection (Minimum age of 16)

☐ Storefront

(Storefront hours are shown in bold)

Preferred shift(s) for Friday, May 18:

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> 6:30 – 9:00 AM | <input type="radio"/> 8:30 – 11:00 AM (8:30 – 11:00 AM) | <input type="radio"/> 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM (11:00 AM-1:30 PM) |
| <input type="radio"/> 12:30 – 3:00 PM | <input type="radio"/> 2:30 – 5:00 PM (1:30-4:00 PM) | <input type="radio"/> 4:30 – 6:30 PM (4:00-6:30 PM) |

Preferred shift(s) for Saturday, May 19:

- | | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> 8:30 – 11:00 AM (8:30 – 11:00 AM) | <input type="radio"/> 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM (11:00 AM-1:30 PM) | <input type="radio"/> 12:30 – 3:00 PM |
| | <input type="radio"/> 2:30 – 4:30 PM (1:30-4:30 PM) | |

Tag with a friend or co-worker -it's more fun!

Other people I know who might be interested in helping:

Name _____ Name _____

Phone _____ Phone _____

You will be contacted to confirm your assignment. Please return this form to:
Clearbrook, Attn: Janis Edelheit, 1835 West Central Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005
Janis Edelheit: 847-385-5008 Fax: 847-870-7741 Email: jedelheit@clearbrook.org

* Children who wish to tag are welcome at storefronts & must be accompanied by an adult, age 18 or older.

* Safety vests & cans are provided by Clearbrook.

* Vehicle tagging takes place at intersections protected by traffic lights, stop signs & median islands.