



"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

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Mayor Arlene Mulder Speaks On "The State of the Village"

Article by Bob Paddock. Photos by Steve Sampson.

Mayor Mulder distributed a selection of colorful and informative hand outs, including several of the planned development at Arlington Market. The latter handouts can be seen by going to the website www.arlingtonmarket.com



**Arlene Mulder
Mayor, Village of
Arlington Heights**

The Mayor then gave the club her annual "State Of The Village" speech which highlighted accomplishments and challenges for Arlington Heights. She also made remarks to put into

perspective the controversial topic of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts.

She is pleased that the proposed village budget (\$140.5 million) for fiscal year 2007-08 is about 14% lower than last year's. She cited the elimination of 15 slotted but vacant positions for next year, the use of automated meter reading, and completed capital expenditures as just some of the factors that give the village budget an improved bottom line. Referencing a slower economy and financial discipline, Moody's review of the village garnered an excellent rating.

Mayor Mulder also pointed to improvements in service like the increase in fire fighters to keep response times prompt. Another improvement of special interest was the new village hall, where she described serviceability problems and substandard conditions of the old village hall.

A topic of special interest was the use of TIF districts. The Mayor reviewed some of the history and the accomplishments, such as a 300% increase in valuation of some TIP properties compared to only a 100% increase in some non-TIF areas. TIF IV, the one at the south end of town and in the news concerning eminent domain issues, has been above board and legal, she said, referring to the recent judicial decision. She pointed out that the area includes more than just the Golf Road shopping center, that the south end of town has been asking for attention from the village, and that final action still needs another ordinance to be passed by the village board.

Citing other successes, developments and changes, Mayor Mulder reflected on the 170 years of the community . . . pointing to a synergy between governmental entities here. Key, she said, has also been that energized and involved people make a difference.



President Ron Popp thanks the Mayor for addressing the club and gives her the traditional Rotary pen and club magazine.



News From the April 26 Meeting

Articles by Bob Paddock. Photos by Steve Sampson.

Appreciation Day for Assistants and Co-workers

At our April 26th meeting the club recognized assistants and co-workers. Several members brought guests to the luncheon, brightening our day . . . and testifying to the fact that these members actually worked!



Report From District 6440's Annual Conference

Bob Mormon told the club that the few Arlington Rotarians who attended this year had a great experience. He also noted that few



went and those of us who did not go missed really good speakers such as Bill Gates, Sr. and the head of the Rotary Foundation. He hoped that we would be able to improve our involvement and attendance at next year's District Conference.



Raffle Update

Jim Hassenplug noted that there is only one week left for turning in raffle ticket money (two weeks until the event). Once again Bill Billimoria may be our high producer—so far, anyway, with more than twenty tickets sold.



Mayor Mulder drew the names of the winners of this week's \$5 chance ticket draw--Jim Miller and Ken Alger. Thanks, guys, and especially to those such as Mike

Silverman who have already sold multiple tickets.



Welcome Back To Some Missing Members

Article by Lynn Jensen.

Club members were pleased to see that Judge Jim Ryan has recuperated well enough that he could join us at today's meeting. Welcome back, Judge. You were missed.

Also returning from warmer climes were some of the "Bobs"—Heller, Blaseck, and Nuccio, that is. We missed you, too.

If we have failed to mention anyone else who has returned to the fold, please let us know so that we can get them signed up for one of our five major committees.



Project Services-Community Service (PS-C)

Donate Your Old Bike to PADS

Article by Ron Crawford. Photo by Bill Kmiccik.

At this time of year, everyone is planning to clean out the garage. What about those old bikes that you are not using? Why not donate them to a worthy cause?

Our club is starting a drive to collect adult bikes that will be donated to PADS



Bob Nash offering the Club another Community Service Opportunity

(Public Action to Deliver Shelter).

Donated bikes should be adult size

(no children's bikes, please) in serviceable condition. The donated bikes will be refurbished and given to PADS clients to provide them with basic transportation.

PADS will provide the donor with a letter acknowledging their donation which can be used for tax donation purposes.

Contact Ron Crawford (847-259-7640 or rhc319@ameritech.net) or Bob Nash (847-392-4177 or rnash216@comcast.net) to have your bike picked up at your designated location.



Project Services-International Service (PS-I)

Article by Paul Hester. Photo by Steve Bill Kmiccik.

As you know, Rotary is all about service. One of our oldest slogans is "service above self."

Project Services, though no more important than any of the other areas of Rotary, is nonetheless, a

very important area because it is the outward expression of everything else we do. The Public Relations, Club Administration, Membership and Rotary Foundation Committees are all the things we need to do so that we can serve our fellow man, as we



profess in another Rotary slogan “he profits most who serves best.”

The International Service area is one of the three subcommittees of the larger Project Services committee, which includes:

- Community Service (PS-C), lead by Bob Nash
- Vocational Service (PS-V), lead by Pete Cavoto, and
- International Service (PS-I) headed by me, Paul Hester

The International Service subcommittee is made up of **Ron Crawford, Tom Forncrook, Bill Hoff, Ron Walter and myself.**

International Service is divided into two segments. The first is the Rotary International (RI) convention. The RI convention is held every year in one of various cities around the world. In fact, the annual meeting the 100th year anniversary of RI was appropriately held in Chicago, the birth place of Rotary. This year the meeting will be held in Salt Lake City in June.

World Committee service focuses on:

- Polio Plus . . . the on going Rotary project for many years of polio eradication in the world.
- Rotary Youth Exchange . . . a program whereby high school students from foreign countries come to the USA and American students go to virtually every country of the world to live with a host family for a year and attend the local high school in that area.
- Ambassadorial Scholarship . . . a program whereby we sponsor a college student or graduate to go aboard for a year to study at a specific university or college.
- Group study exchange (GSE) . . . another program that we are all familiar with, having just welcomed a group of emergency management professionals from the Manchester England area and a group of young teachers from Japan last summer.

Several of our club members have hosted in-bound youth exchange students over the years, including: Bob Paddock, Sue Duchek, Bob Morman, Mary Cay Chisholm, Mike Silverman, Jim Hassenplug and Ron Walter. In the past we have also sponsored several outbound exchange students. One of our recently

sponsored exchange students was the extremely gifted Kel Miller, a student at the prestigious Illinois Math and Science Academy in Aurora, who went to live and study in, of all places, Siberia.

Our district has also sent group study exchange teams to Korea and Japan. In the very near future the district will be sending a GSE team to France.

International projects include our ongoing solar oven project. Our club’s involvement in this project was initiated by our very own **Ron Crawford** and we have participated in sending two ovens to orphanages in Zambia and Zimbabwe, Africa. Another oven is in the works for next year.

Other recent projects include:

- A well we sank in Nigeria and
- The recent trip to Guatemala by a group of district 6440 Rotarians including **Ron Crawford, Scott and Wendy Davis and Bob Paddock** with daughter **Laurel.**

[We do have openings for volunteers in the international service area for these projects and several others. We could really use you help. So anyone that has an interest in joining the International Service group please see me.](#)

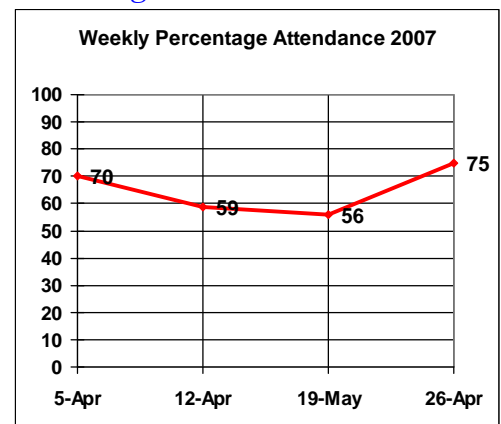


Membership

Article by Lynn Jensen based on attendance statistics produced by Nick Chrisos, Club Assistant Secretary.

We owe ourselves congratulations! Our

attendance last week was significantly higher than it has been over the last several weeks.



However, our average weekly attendance for the last 13 weeks (from February 1st through April 26th) is only 62%—far below the goal (90%) that we set for ourselves during our planning meetings.



Club Administration

The Webmaster's Home Page

Article by Tim Corrigan.

You have probably heard that our Club has recently subscribed to the ClubRunner web service. This service provides many features including:

- Membership Management
- Meeting Services,
- Website Manager, and
- A Club eBulletin.

One of the primary reasons for signing up for the ClubRunner service was to take advantage of the integration it provides at the District level. For example, when we use the Attendance features of the Meeting Services section of ClubRunner, our attendance data is immediately available at the District level.

With our newly redesigned web site, we will be able to take advantage of both our new web site and some of the best features of the ClubRunner system. Since our new web site and our newsletter are much nicer than the somewhat generic web site and newsletter formats provided by ClubRunner, we will continue to use our web site as the main pages for our club and our newsletter will continue in its current format.

On the other hand, the ClubRunner system has more advanced Membership Management and Meeting Services features, both of which are integrated at the District level, so these are examples of where we will use ClubRunner.

I know you are probably thinking, "Oh no, two web systems to learn" Our goal is to make this as seamless as possible. Most of the members will only need to use the Club's new web site. Only the administrative volunteers will need to go into the Membership Management and Meeting Services in ClubRunner. For any portions of ClubRunner that need to be made available to everyone, we make those links available from our main web pages, so there will not be anything new to learn.

This week, we are updating the Club's web site to make the *Big Wheel* available via the web. By the time you read this, the past *Big Wheel* issues will be

available on the web, and your weekly e-mail for the *Big Wheel* will contain a link so you can read the latest issues on-line via the Club's web site.



Getting To Know Your Fellow Rotarians

Article by Pete Cavoto and Linda Borton. Photo by Bill Kmiecik.

Profiling Club Officers

Pete Cavoto has lived in the Ivy Hill area of Arlington Heights for 23 years with his wife Suzy. They have been married for 38 years and have two grown children. P.J., 34, graduated from DePaul with an art degree and now lives and works in Chicago



Peter Cavoto
Director,
Vocational Services

where he manages a renowned art and framing store, Brudno. Lisa, 30, resides in Evanston and is working on another degree at Roosevelt in International Event Planning while bartending at La Tasca in Arlington Heights and Nick's Fish Market in the Financial District. Suzy is a Realtor with Century 21 Advisors in Arlington Heights and manages the family's real estate investments.

Pete and Suzy were born and raised in Weston and Westport, Connecticut. After high school, Pete joined the Air Force where he served in 9 different foreign countries as the Crew Chief for a RB66 Reconnaissance jet. After 4 years and an Honorable Discharge, he went on to earn a degree in Marketing from the University of Central Connecticut. His first major employment was with the Emhart Corporation working in sales in territories that covered New York, New England and the Midwest. Since 1974, Pete has worked for Branson Ultrasonics Corporation, a company which manufactures capital equipment to ultrasonically weld various plastic products. They also use a high frequency vibratory process to ultrasonically clean parts. Today Pete is the Managing Director of a Regional Technical Center in Buffalo Grove and a sales force of 22, a position he has held for the last 23 years.

Pete and Suzy were actively involved in their children's public schools in Arlington Heights and St. Edna Church.

In March 1990, **Paul Peale** sponsored Pete in the Arlington Heights Noon Rotary Club. Prior to chairing the Vocational Services Committee, he has been an active club member organizing "Room Set-up & Take-down," as well as participating in the Street Cleaning Project, 4th of July Parade, Holiday Shopping Project and Village Immunization Clinics. He has also assisted in the Arlington Heights Room at various District Conferences, attended Rotary Golf outings, cooked pizzas at Frontier Days, and bartended at the Steak Fry.

Pete is proud to be a Rotary member. He says that Rotary has given him the opportunity to make good friends while giving back to the community we live in and knowing the good that Rotary does for the world no matter how small.



Meeting Club Members

Article by Deb Whisler. Picture from Bob Whisler.

Bob Whisler is a life-long resident of Arlington Heights and born at Northwest Community Hospital. He is president of Brian Properties, Inc., a full service commercial real estate company providing property management, leasing and brokerage services. Fellow Rotarian **Scott Whisler**, Bob's youngest brother, also works at Brian Properties.



Robert L. Whisler
Member Since 1992

Bob is married to fellow Rotarian, **Deb Whisler**. They have two children, Bridget and Mark, who both attend Indiana University, Bob's alma mater. Bridget just graduated from IU with a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism and sociology, and Mark will begin his junior year there.

A certified property manager, Bob has served on the Northwest Association of Realtors, where he was elected president in 1998 and was honored as "Realtor of Year" in 1999.

In 2005, Bob was elected to his second term as a Commissioner on the Arlington Heights Park District, and he served as president of this Board for three consecutive terms from 2002-2004. Also in 2005, Bob was honored by Prospect High School as a Distinguished Alumnus.

Currently, Bob is the vice president of the AH Dollars for Scholars Board and chairman of the Northwest Community Hospital Foundation golf outing. Bob also served nine years on the Lattof YMCA Board and has been a member in the Arlington Heights Rotary Noon Club since 1991.

A Paul Harris Fellow, Bob's Rotary service has been with the Raffle, Program chair, Community Service and presently is working on Vocational Service. Bob was sponsored by **Mike Silverman** and says as a Rotarian, he enjoys doing good works for others, and meeting new people in our community.

Also very near and dear to Bob's heart is serving as president of the Arlington Baseball Boosters, Inc., the fundraising corporation for the Arlington Heights American Legion Baseball Team. As a Prospect high school student, Bob played with the AH Legion team, and for the past 25 years has been the team's coach. (Just ask Deb—he has a basement full of trophies to track his successful seasons as Legion coach!).

And most everyone who knows Bob also knows what a "sports nut" he is—he's a member of Elgin Country Club (where he's also won some golf trophies) he's a season ticket holder for the Cubs & Bears, has a collection of sporting event tickets and programs that could fill a sports bar (just ask Deb again), and is known to be a serious tailgater - at Bears games, IU and other Big Ten colleges - where he makes the BEST Bloody Marys around! (Deb will vouch for this, too!)



Fine Master's Corner

Article by Bob Paddock.

Jim Hassenplug did yeoman's work again this week as Fine Master, even giving us hope that sometimes we will even know the quiz answers! Among those Very Happy were Bob Heller, Curly Nebel, and Ron Popp. We were happy, too, to see Jim Ryan back.

Mulder & Mulder! Member Mike introduced our Village President (and his mother) Arlene Mulder. Perhaps his introduction with well-deserved praise will elicit a Happy Fine payment of “dinner at mom’s.”



From Rotary District 6440

Republished from Rotary District 6440 website.

Visit the [District 6440 website \(www.rotary6440.org\)](http://www.rotary6440.org) for more information on the following stories and other information.

Run/Walk & District Picnic - Evanston - June 10

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.

District Conference Photos

As of Saturday afternoon, Apr. 21, we posted over 120 unedited pictures from the District Conference for the benefit of those who would like to share the photos with others.

Finally, The New Members From Our Club Are Listed On The District Website

The following people have recently joined Rotary clubs in District 6440: Michael Gilmore, Sean Joyce, Malcolm Rosenfeld, and Ed Springer (Barrington Breakfast); James Flahaven, William Hofmann, and Bruce Pullen (Elgin); Linda Borton, Nicholas Chrisos, Tom Forncrook, William Kmiecik, Stacey Mallek, Michael Mulder, and Jon Wilson (Arlington Heights); and Rich Munson (Batavia).



From Rotary International

RI Strategic Plan

Genesis

In 2001-02, Rotary International launched the development of a strategic plan to guide our association as it prepared to enter its second century

of service. Working with the consulting firm, Interactive Business Systems, a Strategic Planning Committee appointed by the RI President outlined [seven major goals](#) for Rotary. These goals were developed after careful consideration of data collected at the leadership, staff and grassroots levels of the organization as to the important issues and challenges that Rotary faces in the coming decade.

The Vision

Key to a Strategic Plan is the ability to look out into the future and imagine what our organization will look like in the future. Following is Rotary’s vision statement:

- Rotary will be recognized for its leadership and success in the eradication of polio.
- Rotary will have a strong and visible presence worldwide.
- Rotary will achieve enhanced capacity for friendship and service through a strong organization with increased and diverse membership.
- Rotary will advance its ideals of high ethical standards, international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a membership united in service.

Educating Rotarians on Rotary's Strategic Plan will be key to widespread understanding and acceptance of the direction that Rotary is taking. To assist with this, you can view the Strategic Plan as either a Microsoft PowerPoint (.ppt) presentation or Adobe Portable Document File (.pdf). Please feel free to utilize the presentation at club and district meetings for educational purposes.

To download the PowerPoint file to your hard drive, use your right mouse button and select "Save Target As." You also may request a CD of the presentation from Rotary International by contacting [Kathy Kessenich](#).

 [RI Strategic Plan](#) (114 K)

 [RI Strategic Plan](#) (290 K)

 [RI Strategic Plan 2007 Council on Legislation Update](#) (620 K)

There will be more next week on the goals and objectives of RI's Strategic Plan as well as a progress report.

Pledge of Allegiance, 4-Way Test and Invocation

2007

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

May 10 – Annual Club Raffle

May 17 – Steve Sampson – Classification Speech

May 24 – Elsie Mills – Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault

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

Window on the Year
2007-08 Major Activities & Events
Rotary Club of Arlington Heights

Events	2007												2008											
	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D			
AH State of the Village	26											3												
Calderwood Awards												6												
Village Immunizations	16		18		21		16		18		X						X							
Thanksgiving Project								21												19				
Holiday Project									3												X			
Valentine's Day Party											14													
Installation Dinner			29												27									
Annual Club Raffle		10											24											
Day at the Races																								
Annual Steak Fry					8												X							
Holiday Party									8												X			
Membership Cmte													X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Club Admin Cmte																								
PR & FUN Cmte																								
Foundation Cmte																								
Service Projects - C Cmte																								
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Service Projects - I Cmte																								
BoD Meetings	10	8	12	17	14	11	16	13	11	15	12	11												
Club Assemblies	X			T			T			T														
Strategic Planning Mtgs													X											
State of the Club					17																			
Fireside Chat																								
6440 Assembly		10																						
6440 Conference	19																							
RI Conference			17																					

To read this calendar: Find an event of interest. The number in a cell represents the day of the month; the month is determined by finding the column in which the number falls. If no date has been set, but the month is know, the cell will have an "X" in it. If the date is tentative, the cell will have a "T" in it.

Some examples: The Annual Steak Fry (highlighted in green) will occur on the 8th day (the number in the cell opposite the listing) of September (the column in which that number is located).

Immunization clinics (highlighted in blue) occur on April 16th, June 18th, August 21st, October 16th and December 18th. The last immunization clinic on this chart shows an "X" in the cell for February 2008 because only the month and not the date has been set.

From this table, you can also find out the events that will occur in any month. In the month of August (highlighted in red), a Board of Directors meeting will be on the 14th, the "State of the Club" presentation will occur on the 17th and an immunization clinic will be held on the 21st.