



"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?

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August Is Membership Month

President Ron Popp and **Vocational Services Director Pete Cavoto** induct and welcome **Jay Passannante** as the newest member of our Club. Jay is the owner and operator of **J Passannante Appraisals**, 815 W Braeside Dr, Arlington Heights, IL 60004.

For more information about Jay and his company visit the following website:

www.manta.com/coms2/companycbi_qnwh6



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Club Holds First Assembly of New Rotary Year

As part of RI's **Club Leadership Plan**, the RI Board requests clubs to consider the advantages of devoting one regular meeting each month to imparting Rotary information, Rotary education, and leadership training.

In keeping with this request, our club held its first club assembly of the new Rotary year on August 16th. Meeting attendees were asked to sit with their respective committees to work on goals and action plans for short and long term projects. Those committees were: Membership (M); Club Administration (CA); Rotary Foundation (F); and Service Projects for Community (SP-C), International (SP-I) and Vocational (SP-V) services. Although every club member has been

asked to select and participate in one of these major committees, this request is not intended to limit in any way members' involvement in any other club projects and activities.

President Ron Popp indicated that he will be scheduling club assemblies every month or two for the near term in order to help committee members develop more concrete goals and action plans to achieve those goals.



Vocational Services Committee Hard At Work. Left to Right: Bill Borst, Bob Whisler, Roger Key, Pete Cavoto and Ron Crawford

Upcoming Programs

- Aug 30** **Membership Committee Update**
- Sep 6** **New Generations Martha Weiss**
- Sep 13** **Club Assembly**
- Sep 20** **IRAs—Pitfalls To Avoid Bill Billimoria**

Club News

Stacey Mallek Is Rotarian Of The Month

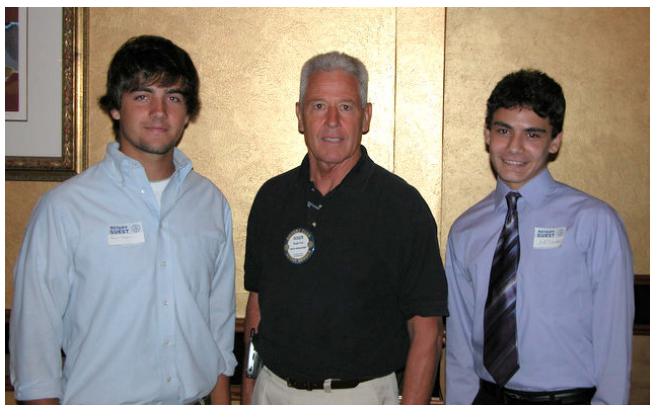


At the Club's August 16th Meeting, Stacey was recognized as the Rotarian of the Month for July 2007.

Stacey has joined the Board as Club Treasurer.

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Two More Students Awarded Our Club's George Harris Book Scholarship



Roger Key of the Vocational Services Committee in the middle, with Bradley Nicpon, from Wheeling High School on his right and Jeffrey Dzedzic, from Hersey High School on his left.

Bradley and Jeffrey were recognized at our Club's August 9th meeting and luncheon. Each was awarded \$800 to be used for the purchase of books during his freshman year at his chosen university.

Each year the Club's George Harris Book Scholarship is awarded to six different graduating seniors, one from each of our area's high schools.

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ClubRunner Integration With the Club's Web Site

From the Webmaster's Desk . . . By Tim Corrigan

Many people have asked me how to easily access the ClubRunner site for our club. Well, the way I always use only takes a few mouse clicks.

First, I go to our site, www.rotaryah.org. Next, I open the **About Us** menu on the left and choose the **Club Events** menu item. Since we are using Club Runner to manage our Club Events, this displays the a Club Runner page with the current month's events.

From this page, you can click on any of the Club Runner menu items that appear just below the red line near the top of the page. This is the menu that includes Home, Stories, Events and Login.

If you click on Login, you will be prompted for your user name and password. Once you enter those, you will see the Club Runner Administration page.

Please do not hesitate to call me (847-394-0266) if you have any questions about the instructions provided here.

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Club Members Invited And Challenged To Take Part In Golf Outing

Rhonda Serafin, President of the AH Sunrise Club, **David Palmer**, Immediate Past President, and **Al Ingram** joined us for lunch at our August 16th meeting.

Rhonda informed the club of The 14th

Anniversary **Arlington Classic Golf Outing** at Arlington Lakes Golf Club on September 20, 2007. Our own **Sue Duchek** is "Duffer of the Year" for this event.

Rhonda has issued us a challenge. She will personally donate to the Rotary Foundation in the name of a designated person \$50 for every foursome from our club and \$25 for every hole sponsor from our club. More information about this event can be found at www.nwsra.org.



Board Actions



Our Club's Board of Directors meet on August 14th at The Lutheran Home.

Two of the more significant actions taken were to:

- Make a donation of \$500 to the Gram Seva Foundation (see article about the foundation in the Big Wheel for July 31, 2007) and
- Establish a **Scott and Wendy Davis Humanitarian Aid Fund** for our club

The Board established the **Scott and Wendy Davis Fund** to give formal recognition to the fact that our late club member Scott and his wife Wendy have been dedicated volunteers in numerous local community causes and have traveled around the globe, bringing aid and relief to people living in third world countries.

Through the Arlington Heights Rotary Club, Scott and Wendy visited India to lend their support to Rotary International's mission to eradicate polio worldwide. They personally administered the vaccine to hundreds of children. Prior to that, they traveled to assist the needy in African and Romania through *Heifer International*, an organization whose mission is to work with the poorest communities to end hunger and poverty.



The Board made an initial endowment grant of \$1,000 to this fund and established a steering committee consisting of **Tom Forncrook**, Director of International Services; **Lynn Jensen**, Director of Club Administration and **Ron Crawford**, President-Elect to oversee disbursements of grants from this fund. The committee was asked to explore "micro-loans" as a mechanism for making grants in third world countries.

Several Rotarians have pledged to make further contributions to the fund. **Personal contributions to this fund should be made out to *Arlington Heights Rotary Club Foundation*, with a note on the memo line specifying the "Scott and Wendy Davis Fund."**

New Rotary Basics Available

Republished From Rotary International's Website

The 2007-08 edition of *Rotary Basics*, the annual guide to all things Rotary, is here! The eight-page publication has been updated with new facts and figures for the Rotary year, and now boasts a more user-friendly look.

In addition to providing a crash course in Rotary history and demystifying RI terms, *Rotary Basics* is a thorough introduction to RI and Rotary Foundation programs and membership benefits and responsibilities. Released each August to coincide with Membership and Extension Month, *Rotary Basics* helps clubs educate new and longtime Rotarians alike. It's also an excellent recruiting tool.

Find it in the August issue of *The Rotarian* or download it from RI website by going to:

www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdfs/595en.pdf

District 6440 To Undertake New Hands-On Project in Guatemala in 2008

By Carlos Frum, International Service Advisor From District 6440's Website

The trip will depart from O'Hare on Saturday, January 26, and will return on Monday, February 4. The destination is Project Ak'Tenamit, located in Eastern Guatemala on the Rio Dulce. It is near the town of Livingston in the Department of Izabal.

We are planning to include a one day visit to the Mayan ruins of Tikal in Northern Guatemala. The trip is limited to 44 travelers so registration will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Plans are still being worked out, but the expected cost will not exceed \$1,500 per person, double occupancy, including airfare and all meals. Work effort will be at different levels. Stay tuned for more news and the opening of registration.

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Upcoming District 6440 Events

Aug 26, 2007

Districts 6440 & 6450: Day at the Races at Arlington Park

Sep 15, 2007

Football Tailgate & Duke Football Game at Northwestern University

For details go to District Website:
www.rotary6440.org

ABCs of Rotary Nov 1, 2007

Especially valuable for newer Rotarians, the ABCs of Rotary is a great refresher for longer-term members as well.

Held at the World Headquarters of Rotary International in Evanston, participants can begin with tours of Rotary at 11 a.m. Anyone can take lunch in the RI cafeteria. The training session begins with check-in at 12:45 p.m., with the program itself at 1:15 p.m.

The program will cover myriad aspects of club, district, and international service, including Foundation programs and Rotary information resources. The afternoon will conclude with a fellowship reception with RI President Wilf Wilkin-son and RI Board members.



Mark Your Calendars: Steak Fry
On September 7, 2007

Club Member Updates

We just learned that **Bob Nash's** mother passed away on the morning of August 20th. We will report to the club when further information is available.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Bob.

Rotarians Absent From the Club's August 16th: Alger, Berry, Boggs, Chisholm, Dawson, Ennes, Field, Forncrook, French, Heller, Hester, Higgs, Johnson, Landwehr, McMahan, Mulder, Murray, Nuccio, Oakes, Paddock, Pearson, Sampson, Scaletta, Schweers, Seiler, Silverman, Tauber, Vaswani, S Whisler, Wilson

Rotarians Who "Made Up" Past Absences in August: Burnidge, Cavoto, Jensen, and Miller

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

Aug 23

Aug 30

August Stand-In

Dan Schweers

David Schultz

Mark Tauber