



“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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St. James Elementary

Wendy Davis Shares Nigeria Experience



Article by Bill Hoff. Photo by Michael Mulder.



Our own **Wendy Davis** told us about her recent trip to Nigeria. Flying into the capital of Abuja, she attended the Rotary West Africa Project Fair and learned about the various projects undertaken by the local Rotary clubs supporting their communities.

She was assigned to the Asokora Rotary club and learned the specifics of their “micro credit” program. The program is a 10 month loan of \$100 to mothers with young children. So far, with the first group of loans (10), all had been repaid within the term.

With her group of 15 Rotarians (some local), nurses and translators, Wendy set about the task of visiting nearby villages and administering polio vaccinations to children under 6 years old. In her travels she observed the unsanitary conditions that give rise to polio transmission by human fecal matter entering the drinking water.

She then visited another project of the Asokora Rotary club which is upgrading a primary school. The pictures of the school showed clean and bright classrooms. However, since there is no electricity, a lone computer cannot be used. So the students learn what computers can do but never get to see them perform.

Club’s Raffle 2008 Activities Begin In Earnest

Article by Lynn Jensen. Photo by Michael Mulder.

Jim Bertucci gets help from visiting **Immediate Past District Governor David Waring** to kick off the Club’s “Ten Grand Raffle.”

Governor Dave picks the winning “lottery” entry for a \$100 raffle ticket. **Stacey Mallek** (not shown) was the lucky Rotarian this week.



The actual **Raffle will be held on the evening of Thursday, May 15, 2008** at the Wellington. You can buy tickets from any of our Club’s numerous ticket distributors. Plan to attend and bring your friends. A good time will be had by all!

Upcoming Programs	
Mar 6	Bill Calderwood Award Police Officer of Year
Mar 13	Katalin Zsupan Literacy, AH Library
Mar 20	Matt O’Brien Executive Director Metropolis Performing Arts
Mar 27	Club Assembly

Immunization Clinic Update

At the Club's February 21st meeting, **Bob Nash** reported on the activities of the Community Service Committee (SP-C). One of the events that he mentioned was the Village's February 18th Immunization Clinic. Rotarians from our Club were there in full force.



Among the helpful Rotarians were **Ron Crawford** (right) and **Wendy Davis, Claudia Corrigan** and **Carly Corrigan** (below). Not shown, but also present and helpful were **Bill Kmiecik** and **Tim Corrigan**.



Calderwood Luncheon—Clarification

Article by David Schultz.

Members of our Club do NOT need to RSVP for the Calderwood luncheon meeting on March 6th.

In the last issue of the *Big Wheel*, the article about Police Chief Gerald Mourning's letter of invitation **incorrectly** indicated that Rotarians should RSVP for the Bill Calderwood Award luncheon.

The Big Wheel editors regret the confusion.

Sam Lombardo Greets!!!



One of the Club's newest members, **Sam Lombardo**, begins greeting in April.

Please take a moment on **March 13th** to introduce yourself to Sam and shake his hand.

FYI—The **Fine Master** may get you for a buck if you haven't done so!

Upcoming Club Events

March 6, 2008

Bill Calderwood

"Police Officer of The Year" Award

March 19, 2008

Club Board's Planning Meeting for 2008-09

May 15, 2008

Club "Ten Grand" Raffle

Upcoming District 6440 Events

From District 6440 Website—www.rotary6440.org

March 1, 2008

**District Assembly/Club Officer Training
Addison, Illinois**

April 24-27, 2008

District 6440 Conference, Itasca, Illinois

Club Member Updates

Rotarians Absent From the Club's February 21st Meeting: Behrens, Berry, Blaseck, Cavoto, Chrisos, Ennes, Forncrook, French, Heller, Johnson, Landwehr, Mahoney, Miller, Murray, Oakes, O'Donnell, Ohrstrom, Paddock, Jr., Sampson, Scaletta, Schweers, Seiler, Silverman, Stabler, Tauber

Make-Ups: Blaseck, Forncrook

Guests: Lois Seiler (guest of Lynn Jensen)
Peggy Simonson (guest of Wendy Davis)
Dave Waring (Past District Governor, Barrington Club)
Allen Gabe (guest of Sue Dawson, Schaumburg/
Hoffman Estates Noon Club)
Alan Clarke (Willmette Noon Club)
Kelly McGraw (guest of Wendy Davis)

Greeter Schedule

February	Passannante & Kmiecik
March	Borton & Dawson
April	Lombardo & Mulder
May	Schultz & Kmiecik
June	Lombardo & Borton
July	Mulder & Schultz

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

February Stand-In	Sue Duchek
February 28	Terry Ennes
March Stand-In	Susan Dawson
March 6	Wendy Davis
March 13	Ron Crawford
March 20	Tim Corrigan