



"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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January 10th Program: Congressman
Mark Kirk

Our Ambassadorial Scholar Gives Club An Update

Article by Patrick McMahon. Photo by Rick Koebornick.

On Thursday, January 3, 2008, Adam Zarazinski spoke to the Club about his experiences as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar at the University of Nottingham in Nottingham, England. Adam has thoroughly enjoyed his personal and academic experiences at the University of Nottingham. He lives in the international post graduate dorm and his friends (including one other Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar) come from more than 10 countries. The University has over 30,000 students and is located on 330 acres of beautiful property.

Adam is enrolled in a new graduate program called "Master of Arts in Globalization, Identities and Human Rights." In the first semester, Adam studied the philosophies and technicalities of human rights. The second semester will involve the study of issues of international human rights law and non-governmental organization work. The program combines both theory and practice related to all the areas of study.

Most of Adam's time is now spent in research for his Master of Arts (MA) thesis, which will examine how government-funded human rights commissions affect the human rights situation in a given country. Adam's research has thus far concluded that government-funded human rights commissions merely support and legitimize the government's current position and human rights abuses, rather than effecting any meaningful change.

After Adam receives his Master's degree, he plans to work for one year and then enroll in law school, where he hopes to specialize in international human rights law. After receiving his Doctor of Juris Prudence (JD), he hopes to work for the United Nations or a non-governmental organization, such as Human Rights Watch or Amnesty International.



Board Sets Date For Its 2008 Planning Meeting

Article by Lynn Jensen.

At its January 8th meeting, the Club's Board of Directors set a March 12th date for its strategic planning meeting. Unlike the club-wide planning effort in 2007, the Board decided to hold a meeting that would allow the club leadership (including the newly elected Board Directors) to focus on developing a plan of action and associated budget to bring back to the club at our March 27th Club Assembly.

President Elect Ron Crawford with work with **Lynn Jensen** to ensure that this process identifies priority projects and activities for the coming year. **Jim Miller** will conduct a short survey of all of the club's members to provide a way for everyone to have input into the planning process. **Mark Tauber** has agreed to facilitate this three-hour evening session.

Upcoming Programs

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| Jan 17 | Linda Borton
Classification Speech |
| Jan 24 | Douglas Towsey
Economic Outlook
2008 |
| Jan 31 | Bruce Crowthers
CEO, Northwest
Community Hospital |

Paul Harris Pins Received

Photos by Rick Koebernick.



Lew O'Donnell bestows Paul Harris pins on **President-Elect Ron Crawford, President Ron Popp and Kerry Pearson.** The pins were not available at the club's holiday party.

Fine Master's Corner

Article by Lynn Jensen. Photo by Rick Koebernick



Appropriately, **Bill Mahoney** preemptively fines himself for joining his "snowbird compatriots" and heading south to Florida after this club meeting.

Bill Borst, our "star boarder," also pays a happy fine for heading for warmer climes. He did express his strong hope and desire that he will be able to sell his place in Florida soon and move back where he belongs in Arlington Heights.



Bob Paddock can always be counted on for a happy fine whenever he attends a meeting. It seems that the *Daily Herald's* Home section just received an award. Congratulations to our "hometown newspaper" and Bob for getting well deserved recognition!

January Birthdays

Jan Behrens	1st
Mary Cay Chisholm	1st
Ken Alger	10th
Tim Corrigan	10th
Tom Forncrook	27th

Club Member Updates

Rotarians Absent From the Club's January 3rd Meeting: Baker, Behrens, Berry, Bodinus, Boggs, Burnidge, Cavoto, Chisholm, Chrisos, Davis, Duchek, Field, Forncrook, French, Heller, Jensen, Landwehr, Morman, Murray, Nuccio, Oakes, Ohrstrom, Passannante, Sampson, Scaletta, Schultz, Schweers, Seiler, Silverman, R. Whisler

Guests at the Club's January 3rd Meeting: Bill Borst

Rotarians Who "Made Up" Past Absences in January: Davis

Upcoming District 6440 Events

From District 6440 Website—www.rotary6440.org

Mar 01, 2008
District Assembly/Club Officer Training
Addison, IL

Mar 13-16, 2008
RYLA Session I
April 10-13, 2008
RYLA Session II

April 24-27, 2008
District 6440 Conference
Itasca, IL

Upcoming Club Events

February 14, 2008
Valentine's / Sweetheart Party

Greeter Schedule

January	Mulder & Schultz
February	Passannante & Kmiecik
March	Borton & Dawson
April	Tauber & Mulder
May	Schultz & Kmiecik
June	Tauber & Borton

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

January Stand-In	Scott Johnson
January 10	Bill Hoff
January 17	Lynn Jensen
January 24	Jim Hassenplug
January 31	Marie French