



"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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July 31st Program: **Burt Jensen**

Journeys: **PADs to Hope**

Helping People Feel Good, Do Better & Find Solutions

Article by Patrick McMahon. Photo by Bill Kmiecik.



The speaker at our July 24, 2008 lunch meeting was **Mary Drabik**, Director of Vocational Services for the Kenneth Young Center. The Kenneth Young Center is the community mental health center for Schaumburg and Elk Grove Townships, and its mission is to “help people feel good, do better and find solutions.” The Center was started in 1970, and Ms. Drabik has been at the Center for 19 years. The Center serves approximately 8,000 children, adolescent, adult and senior clients every year, all of whom have been diagnosed with a mental illness. In addition to clients that have been diagnosed with a mental illness, the Center also assists the families and caregivers of clients.

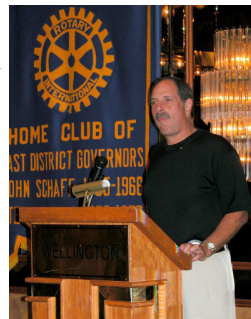
Due to the pervasive nature of mental illness (patients with mental illness fill more hospital beds than any other illness), the Center has more referrals than it can handle. However, the Center is achieving greater levels of success because mental illness is becoming more and more treatable with improved medications and other treatments. The ultimate goal of the Center is to assist a client to re-enter society and to return to work, school, dating, church and other regular activities. Ultimately, work is the best indicator of progress because it is measurable and it facilitates health. Due to the stigma associated with mental illness and potential huge gaps in employment, the Center will often act on a client’s behalf and contact a potential employer. The Center will also provide ongoing support of the employee on the job, and mediate when necessary between the employer and employee. For example, the Center will intervene if a client stops taking medication while on the job.

The State of Illinois has prioritized employment services and is specifically supporting people who are attempting to get off disability and back to work. However, recent state budgets have restricted funding to the Center, so Ms. Drabik was very direct in stating that she is actively looking for opportunities of any kind to obtain funding. If anyone is interested in assisting the Center in anyway, please contact her at (847)524-8800. www.kennethyoung.org.

Substitute Fine Master Tauber Encourages Committee Sign Up

Judge Ryan tapped **Mark Tauber** to fill in for him as a substitute Fine Master. Among other things, Mark levied a fine on those club members who had not as yet selected a committee for this Rotary Year. Fortunately, not many of the club members had to pay. Committee sign-up has been quite successful.

To date our committees are as follows: **Community Service** - Bill Kmiecik (chair), Jennifer Burnidge, Pete Cavoto, Mary Cay Chisholm, Sue Duchek, Terry Ennes, Matt Fink, Marie French, Stacey Mallek, Bob Morman, Bob Nash, Bob Paddock Jr, Bill Seiler, Kristine Stabler and Deb Whisler



Upcoming Programs

- Aug 7** Janet Eaton
Canine Therapy
- Aug 14** Diane Riesen
St. Mary's Services
- Aug 21** Wendy Davis
Classification Talk
- Aug 28** Maria Coons
Harper College

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International Service - Wendy Davis (Chair)
Ron Crawford, Susan Dawson, Tom Forncrook, Marie French, Bill Hoff, Lew O'Donnell, David Schultz, Harry Vaswani and Ron Walter

Vocational Service - Linda Borton (chair), Bill Borst, Pete Cavoto and Roger Key

Rotary Foundation - Kris Stabler (chair), Robert Blaseck, Jan Behrens, Jim Bertucci, Bill Mahoney, Lew O'Donnell, Kerry Pearson, Cory Upmeyer and Scott Whisler

Club Administration - Tim Corrigan (chair), Robert Blaseck, Robert Heller, Lynn Jensen, Rick Koebnick, Bill Mahoney, Patrick McMahon, Kerry Pearson, Michael Silverman and Mark Tauber

Membership - Jim Miller (chair), Jim Bertucci, Linda Borton, Wendy Davis, Jim Hassenplug, Bill Kmiecik, Stacey Mallek, Joe Musolino, Ron Popp and Dave Schultz

Public Relations & Special Events - Jon Ridler (chair), Jim Bertucci, Ron Graeff, Michael Mulder, Curly Nebel and Kris Stabler

As you can see from the listing above, some of our committees could use some additional volunteers. For those of you who have not signed up for a committee yet, just contact the chair of the committee you would like to join. **For those who don't sign up before the club's next meeting, you probably can expect to be fined again.**



Curly Nebel dug dig to pay a "happy fine" to commemorate June's 86th birthday.

DG Pam Kerr Places A Priority On Communicating District News

In order to keep you informed on a timely basis, we are trying something new with my Governor's Newsletter this year. As we've done in the past, we'll send you a synopsis of articles at the beginning of each month. But we will also be posting articles and information as



Upcoming District 6440 Events

From District 6440 Website—See www.rotary6440.org

Aug 8, 2008 White Sox Night	Oct 2- 5, 2008 District Conference Marriott Lincolnshire
Aug 17, 2008 Night at Ravinia	Feb 28 - Mar 9, 2009 Guatemala Service Project
Oct 2, 2008 District Golf Outing	

Upcoming Club Events

August 8, 2008 Softball Tournament	December 6, 2008 Santa Sleigh Run
August 18, 2008 Immunization Clinic	February 12, 2009 Valentine's Day Party
September 5, 2008 Steak Fry	June 26, 2009 Installation Dinner

Club Member Updates

Rotarians Absent From the Club's July 24th Meeting: Alger, Bertucci, Billimoria, Bodinus, Borst, Borton, Crawford, Field, Forncrook, Hoff, Key, Lombardo, Nash, Nuccio, O'Donnell, Passannante, Ridler, Ryan, Sampson, Scaletta, Schultz, Schweers, Seiler, Silverman, Vaswani, Whisler R

Guests: Alison Brockmeyer (guest of Mary Cay Chisholm), Fran Kirk (guest of the club) and Mathew Ptack (guest of Roger Key)

Greeter Schedule

July	Mulder & Schultz
August	Graeff & Kmiecik
September	Borton & Dawson
October	Graeff & Mulder

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

July Stand-In	James Ryan
July 31	Bob Paddock, Jr.
August Stand-In	Bob Nash
August 7	Joe Musolino
August 14	Michael Mulder
August 21	Bob Morman

available at <http://rotary6440.blogspot.com>. You can check there periodically throughout the month to find out what's new in District 6440. The district website (www.rotary6440.org) will also be continually updated. Please bookmark both sites and visit them regularly.