



"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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The Club Raffle

Letter from Scott Whisler

Fellow Rotarians:

The raffle went off without a hitch on Thursday, and I hope everyone had an enjoyable time. The two big payouts were split between **Bob Paddock, Jr.** and **Ken Howard** (a friend of Mike Silverman).

My co-chair **Terry Ennes** and I would like to personally thank the raffle committee (**Jim Bertucci**, **Pat McMahon**, **Ron Walter**, **Jon Ridler**, **Kris Stabler**, **Ken Alger**, **Jim Hassenplug**, **Mary Cay Chisholm**, **Lew O'Donnell**, **Mike Silverman**, **Jim Miller** and **Deb Whisler**) for all of their help and time. Since I am fine master this month you are all exempt from fines on Thursday.

I would also like to thank **Mike Field**, **Jon Wilson**, and **Bob Nash** for helping the night of the event. Your willingness to step up was much appreciated. The members of our club stepped up again, buying tickets, selling tickets and providing prizes, for which we are thankful. We do not have the final tally as to what we made on the event; I will report that to **Lynn Jensen** for publication in the *Big Wheel* as soon as all of the bills are in.

I thought the new format was well received and worked just fine. If any members have comments, questions or suggestions, please call me at 847-640-1500 to discuss. We are always looking for ways to improve our largest fundraiser.

A special thanks to **Mike Silverman's** son in law **Randy Houser** for manufacturing our new cage which holds all of the ping pong balls. Randy designed and built the cage for us and did not charge the club, which we appreciate. The committee will see to it that Randy is compensated in some way.

I hope to see all of you next year. Start saving your change now so you can buy more tickets later.

Scott Whisler

Co-Chair, Raffle Committee



Pictorial Article on May 10th Raffle

Pictures by Steve Sampson, Bill Kmiecik, Rick Koebernick. Text by Lynn Jensen.

Past President Terry Ennes gives everyone a "heads-up" to signal the Raffle is about to begin.



Everyone is encouraged to get a last minute drink

... and ...

Visit the buffet one last time, as **Bob Heller** is doing



Terry tests the equipment and gives it a thumbs up.



Like Bob Nash (right) and Jack Whisler (below), the attendees continue to make frequent stops at the buffet.



And there is more than one game going on under the "big top."

All the while the main raffle is under way . . .



Mike Silverman, the Raffle MC, and Jon Ridler, the official "Award Recorder," caucus one last time before the Raffle starts.

Then the games begin!



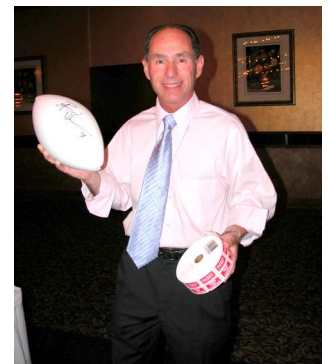
Mary Cay Chisholm is selling tickets for the "50/50 raffle." The winner of this drawing splits the pot with the club.



Our "Raffle Officials" perform like a well oiled machine, with Terry drawing the balls, Mike announcing

... And ...

Mike Field hawks chances to win a football signed by Brian Urlacher.



Jon matching winners with their prizes.



Rick Koebernick, Joe Musolino and Jon Wilson (to the right)—chat with other club members.

At intermission, Jim Miller, Chair of the Membership Committee, gives a brief infomercial about the Arlington Heights Noon Rotary Club.



The “back office crew”—(left to right) Scott Whisler,



Then, play resumes and it becomes easier to separate the evening’s winners from the losers.



George Germanos, Bob Nash and Mary Cay Chisholm—is there to help the

winners get matched up with their prizes.

Bill Kmiecik, a member of our photography team and a relative new club member, wins the “50/50 raffle.”



Jim Bertucci and Kris Stabler are there to write checks and make sure that all of the “accounting” is done properly. Bill Mahoney assists.



Bill may know when to hold ‘em and when to fold ‘em, but apparently no one ever told him: “You never count your money when you’re sittin at the table. There’ll be time enough for countin’ when the dealin’ is done.”

Tension rises as the Raffle comes down to the top prizes. Bob Paddock (who couldn’t attend) and Ken Howard split the combined top two prizes.

Although he did not win the “big prize of the evening,” Bill Billimoria is still in the green. Kris writes Bill out a check as part of his winnings of the night.



And the proud winner of the autographed Brian Urlacher football is Laura Harris.



There were many more winners. A complete list of winners and unclaimed prizes will be published in the *Big Wheel* next week.



Getting To Know Your Fellow Rotarians

Article by Jim Miller. Photo by Steve Sampson.

Meeting Committee Chairs

Jim Miller grew up on the far south side of Chicago, but he and his wife Jan have called the northwest suburbs their home for thirty-four years. After meeting through mutual friends from Tau Sigma Fraternity at DePaul University, they settled for 10 years in Mount Prospect, and then moved on to the Arlington Terrace subdivision of Arlington Heights where they have lived for twenty-four years.



James Miller
Chair, Membership Committee

Their son, Eric, attended grammar school in the Prospect Heights District 23 school system, graduated from Hersey High School, and earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He received a law degree from John Marshall Law School and is currently employed by Farwell, Farwell & Associates in Arlington Heights. Eric has been married nearly 3 years to Renee Dehn Miller, an Assistant State's Attorney and Supervisor of the DUI Unit in Winnebago County, IL. They live in Winnebago, Illinois.

Jim is President and Owner of The Miller Research Group, a market research firm specializing in customer satisfaction and employee satisfaction research. The company recently moved into Arlington Heights after 5 years in downtown Chicago and 6 years in Mount Prospect.

Jim has been a member of the Arlington Heights Noon Rotary Club since March 2002, having been sponsored by Kris Stabler. He is the current chair of the Membership Committee. The Membership Committee of 7 Rotarians is responsible for the recruitment, retention, and education of club members. This is Jim's first major participation in Rotary, and he is enjoying every moment of it. His

personal motto describing Rotary is "good people doing good to help those in need."

Jim's other "extra-curricular activities" include the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce for which he served 7 years on the Board of Directors, mostly recently President in 2006 and currently Immediate Past President. He has served on various committees throughout this time, and will definitely miss the close involvement he has had with the Chamber when he "retires from duty" at the end of this year.

He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Northwest Human Resources Council (NHRC) from 2002-2004, been a member of the American Marketing Association (AMA) since 1976, on the Board of Directors of the Chicago Chapter of the AMA for 8 years, and finally President of Chicago AMA from 1988-1989. Probably Jim's most "funest" extracurricular activity was coaching Little League Baseball in the Prospect Heights and Arlington Heights baseball systems. Coaching baseball was the one activity that "cleared his mind" of everything except what was happening on the field. He is also an avid golfer "who never gets better, but who cares."



The Webmaster's Home Page

Article by Tim Corrigan, Club Webmaster.

This week marks the beginning of our integration with the Club Runner web service. As mentioned in previous articles, one of the big advantages offered by Club Runner is improved attendance reporting. To kick-start this process, we need everyone in the Club to register on the District's web site. If you haven't registered on the District's web site yet, these instructions will guide you through the process. If you have already registered, now would be a good time to follow along and make sure all your information is up-to-date!

The step-by-step process below can be followed to sign-up or logon to the District's web site. This will set the stage for us to begin to take advantage of the Club Runner Attendance features.

1. Open our Club's web site by going to <http://www.rotaryah.org>
2. Click on the **About Us** link on the left.

3. Click on the **Rotary and Community Links** on the left.
4. Click on the Our District link, i.e. the blue text reading
<http://www.rotarydistrict6440.org>
5. If you have registered before, skip to **Step 12**. If you have not registered with the District yet, click on **New User**.
6. On the **Get Password** screen, In the **Select Club** field, choose **Arlington Heights (Noon)**
7. Enter your last name and your e-mail address.
8. Click on the **Get Login Info** button.
9. Next you will see a screen that states that your **Login name** and **Password** have been sent to your e-mail address.
10. Wait a few minutes and check you e-mail account for an e-mail from support@clubrunner.ca with a subject line of **ClubRunner (Rotary) Login Info**.
11. Back in your web browser, click on the **Home** link upper left part of the page.
12. On the District Home Page, click on the **Login** button in the upper left corner of the page.
13. Use the login information sent to you by Club Runner to login to the District web site.
14. Once you are logged in, you should see the **District Administration** page.
15. On the middle right of the District Administration page, click on the **Edit My Profile** link.
16. Next you should see an **Edit Member Profile** page. This page will allow you to enter your name, address, phone number and other pertinent information.
17. When you are done updating your profile, click on the **Save** button at the bottom of the page.

Officer Installation Dinner

Mark your calendars. Our Club's Installation Dinner will be held on June 22 at the Meridian. As the details become available, you will receive information through the *Big Wheel* and at Club meetings.

From Rotary District 6440

Save The Date: Governor's Installation Dinner

Jun 28, 2007

Stonegate Conference Centre

Hoffman Estates

Pledge of Allegiance, 4-Way Test and Invocation

2007

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 24 – Elsie Mills – Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault

May 31 – **Open**

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

That's it! You are done! If you encounter any difficulty with the steps outlined above, please do not hesitate to call me at my office - 847-394-0266. After hours, you can call my home at 847-394-0229.