



"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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December 6th Program: No Program
Holiday Party on Dec. 7th

Mike Mulder Presents Classification Speech To Club

Article by Bill Hoff. Photo by Bill Kmiecik.

Mike Mulder gave his classification talk today. Born and raised in Arlington Heights, he has two older sisters and attended Westgate Elementary, South Junior High and Rolling Meadows High School. He was active in tennis, soccer, basketball, show choir, and performed in a musical while in high school. He attended Indiana University and was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and the ski club.

One summer while a student at Indiana Univ., he interned at LaSalle Bank which led to his first job upon graduation. For five years Mike worked in various departments of LaSalle Bank to prepare for his chosen career in Commercial Banking. Just under three years ago our own **John Frieberg, III** brought him over to Harris Bank where he is currently a Vice President in commercial lending.

Mike currently lives in Palatine with his wife Kara and dog Payton, and is the President-Elect of BUZZ. See August 28th Big Wheel about this organization.



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December is Family Month in the Rotary Calendar

Reprinted from the Rotary International website.

It is often said that children are the future of the world. Healthy and happy children are key to achieving Rotary's goal of building international understanding and peace in the world. There is no better place to nourish a young mind than in a family whose basic needs have been met and who can spend time together.

Celebrate Rotary's commitment to family in December.

The RI Board has adopted the following statement on family:

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Upcoming Programs

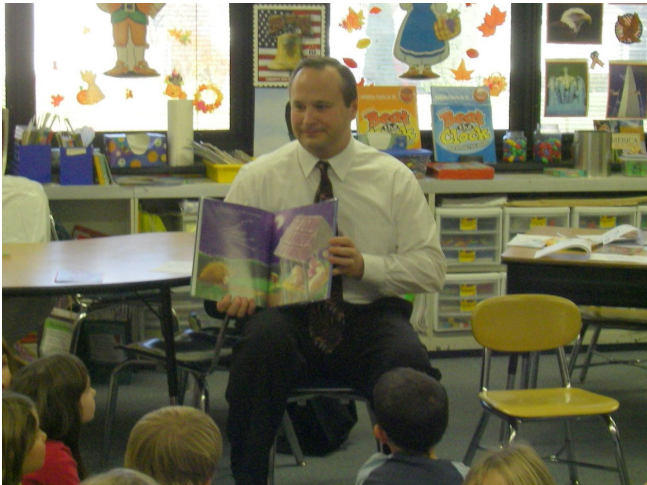
- Dec 13** Chuck DuShane
U.S. Secret Service
- Dec 20** Major General David Harris, Ret.
Report on Iraq
- Dec 27** To Be Announced
- Jan 3** To Be Announced
- Jan 10** Congressman Mark Kirk

Rotary Reads Day— Part 2

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Article & Photo by Deb Whisler.

Our club's involvement in "Rotary Reads Day" was more extensive than last week's article may have suggested. In addition to our club members' reading to the children at Greenbrier Elementary School, **Deb Whisler, Jon Ridler** (shown in the picture below), **Mark Tauber, Joe Musolino** and **Ron Crawford** read to children at Patton Elementary School.



This is the second year that our club has participated in the "Rotary Reads Day" by reading to kindergarteners through third graders in School District 25 classrooms. Once again our club partnered with the children's librarians at Arlington Heights Memorial Library to select books for each age group. This event is a great way for Rotarians to be visible volunteers and promote literacy in our community. And the teachers are always great about welcoming us into their classes.

The Board, recognizing that

- the family, which is the basic unit of society in the community, is struggling with a host of complex social and economic problems that are attacking its structure;
- in many parts of the world, this breakdown of the traditional structure is, in turn, threatening the fabric of community life;
- Rotary's longtime commitment to Community Service makes it imperative for Rotarians to actively address the crisis in the family today;
- Encourages Rotarians, Rotary clubs, and districts worldwide to:
 - a) bring their power to bear through existing programs on the most formidable problems facing families today, including but not limited to domestic violence, child abuse and neglect, homelessness, drug and alcohol abuse, gang activities, child-care needs, and underemployment;
 - b) instill the importance of universal human values in the homes, schools and communities of the world;
 - γ) continue current projects and undertake new ones that strengthen the family structure and make it a secure anchor for the larger community;
 - d) demonstrate their commitment to family and community through projects, activities, and events in celebration of "Family Month"

Holiday Party—December 7th

Article by Lynn Jensen.

Jon Ridler, Chair of the Holiday Party Committee, cordially invites club members and their guests to the Club's Annual Holiday Party. This year the event is co-hosted by the Arlington Heights Sunrise Club.

The Gala will begin with a reception at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, December 7th, 2007, at the Meridian Banquets, 1701 Algonquin Rd, Rolling Meadows. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

Dress will be business attire

Plan to "dance the night away" to the sounds of **Dynasty**.

Let Jon know whether you are coming by calling him at 847-253-1703, or by registering online.

Remember: Attendance at the Holiday Party counts for this week's meeting!

December Birthdays

Robert Blaseck	12th
Stacey Mallek	14th
Nicholas Chrisos	15th
Scott Whisler	16th
Rick Koebernick	22nd
Gerald Oakes	23rd
Wendy Davis	25th
Kristine Stabler	28th

Past Presidents Propose 2008-09 Slate of Club Officers and Board

Article by Terry Ennes.

The Club's Past Presidents met earlier this month and developed a slate (below) of proposed candidates for Club Officers and Directors. **The Club will be asked to vote on this slate at its regular December 13th meeting.**

If this slate is approved, **Bill Hoff** will serve as the President-Elect for the upcoming Rotary Year and as President in Rotary Year 2009-10. Bill has served previously as Club President for Rotary Year 2003-04.

Direct any questions you have to the Club's Immediate Past President, Terry Ennes by email by phone (847-577-6500) or email (terry@ennestax.com).

Proposed Slate 2008-09	Term	Candidate	Year of Term
President	1 yr	Ron Crawford	1 of 1
President-Elect (Raffle)	1 yr	Bill Hoff	1 of 1
Vice President (Foundation)	1 yr	Peter Cavoto	1 of 1
Treasurer	2 yr	Stacey Mallek	2 of 2
Secretary	2 yr	Lynn Jensen	1 of 2
Assistant Secretary	1 yr	Sue Dawson	2 of 2
Director, Club Administration	2 yr	Tim Corrigan	1 of 2
Director, Community Service	2 yr	Bill Kmiecik	2 of 2
Director, Vocational Service	2 yr	Linda Borton	1 of 2
Director, International Service	2 yr	Wendy Davis	2 of 2
Director, Membership	2 yr	Jim Miller	1 of 2
Director, Public Relations & Special Events	2 yr	Jon Ridler	2 of 2
Immediate Past President	1 yr	Ron Popp	1 of 1

Thanksgiving Rotary-Adler Project: 2007

Article by Kris Stabler.

Charles Adler and his wife **Janet Boyle** are residents of Arlington Heights and Chuck was a previous member of the Arlington Heights Noon Rotary Club. I have had the pleasure of knowing Chuck and Janet for many years through the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce and other local organizations. Chuck has offices in Arlington Heights and Chicago and joined Rotary One based on the time he has to spend downtown.

Prior to losing Chuck to Rotary One, he proposed a project for local businesses and our club. I have appropriately dubbed this venture the "Thanksgiving Rotary-Adler Project!" Chuck worked with Bob Padock to develop an ad to collect funds for the purchase of Thanksgiving Dinners for those in need.

Over the years we have gone from 25 dinners to 100 and collected from \$1000 to \$2000. Our club supports this effort by funding the balance of the funds to make this project work. (approximately. \$2000.)

This year with the help of Garden Fresh Foods, *The Daily Herald*, Arlington Park, our club and Chuck Adler we provided 75 dinners to Wheeling Township and 25 to the Arlington Heights Human Services Department. A special THANK YOU to the Rotarians who worked very hard to help us meet this goal: **Linda Borton, Rick Koebernick, Sue Duchek, Deb Whisler, Jon Ridler, Sue Dawson, Terry Ennes, Ron Crawford, Pete and Suzy Cavoto, Bill Mahoney and Mark Tauber.**

This hands-on project is a model for Community Service Committee. Thanks to all.

From the District Governor's Circular for December

Gates Foundation's "Challenge Grant" To Rotary To Fight Polio

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is providing \$100 million for the fight against polio! Since it is a challenge grant, Rotary International will also have to come up with \$100 million over the next three years.

Contributions to Polio Plus Partners between now and January 1, 2008 will count toward the Gates Foundation challenge. The list of Polio Plus Partners open projects can be found at:

www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/ppp_openprojects.pdf

Our many years of efforts are paying off. As of November 27, 2007, There have been only 763 reported cases of polio worldwide. This is less than half as many as we had last year at this time.

Springfield Trip Registration Deadline December 15th

There is still time to register for the District's Amtrak trip to Springfield January 18th – 22nd.

Join fellow Rotarians, families and friends for a train ride to the state's capital city, tour the Lincoln Museum and Lincoln's boyhood home. We will stay at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel and Conference Center, where we will enjoy fellowship and even be able to swim.

Sign up now at www.rotary6440.org to enjoy this winter break.

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Club Member Updates

Rotarians Absent From the Club's November 29th Meeting: Alger, Berens, Bodinus, Boggs, Chisholm, Chrisos, Field, French, Heller, Hester, Johnson, Landwehr, Mallek, Murray, Musolino, Nash, Nuccio, Oakes, Ohrstrom, Passannante, Sampson, Scaletta, Vaswani, R Whilser.

Rotarians Absent From the Club's November 15th Meeting: Alger, Berens, Berry, Boggs, Bodinus, Burnidge, Chisholm, Chrisos, Corrigan, Davis, Dawson, Duchek, Field, French, Heller, Hester, Jensen, Johnson, Landwehr, Miller, Murray, Nash, Nuccio, Oakes, Ohrstrom, Paddock Jr., Ryan, Sampson, Scaletta, Schweers, Upmeyer.

Rotarians Who "Made Up" Past Absences in November: Miller, Davis, Jensen, Corrigan, Burnidge, Dawson, Borton, Cavoto, Duchek, Ridler

Guests At Club's November 29th Meeting
Sam Lombardo, Frank Soprano Jr.



Care and Concern

Bill Bodinus's Mother passed away on Friday. Her name is Evelyn Bodinus, she was 97 years old. She will be waked Wednesday at Smith Corcoran Funeral Homes, 6150 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. (773) 736-3833. The funeral will be on Thursday at St. Lukes in Park Ridge, with burial at Mt. Emblem Cemetery.

Upcoming District 6440 Events

From District 6440 Website—www.rotary6440.org

Jan 19-21, 2008
Train Trip to Lincoln Museum—Springfield
Registration Deadline—December 3rd
Jan 26, 2008 - Feb 04, 2008
Guatemala Dist. 6440 Service Project
April 24-27, 2008
District 6440 Conference

Upcoming Club Events

December 7, 2007 5:30 pm Reception
Holiday Party with AH Sunrise Club
Meridian Banquets, 1701 Algonquin, Rolling Meadows

Greeter Schedule

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

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

December 6	No Meeting/Holiday Party on Dec 7
December 13	Rick Koebernick
December 20	Bill Kmiecik
December 27	Roger Key
December Stand-In	Pat McMahon