



"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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GSE Team and Ambassadorial Scholarship Program –RI

PDG Tony Tolbert "Demystifies" Matching Grants

Article by Lynn Jensen. Photo by Rick Koebernick.

Two-time Past District Governor Anthony (Tony) Tolbert III walked us through the sometimes confusing world of Rotary "matching grants." An example may help to illustrate how matching grants work:

- In year 1, let's say that the clubs in our district (6440) contribute collectively \$400,000 to the Rotary Foundation
- These funds are invested, with the return on that investment used to pay staff salaries and other expenses
- After three years, the district will have access to 50% of original contribution amount (\$200,000):
 - 50% of that amount (\$100,000 in this case) becomes District Designated Funds (DDF) to be used for matching grants

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Deb Whisler To Receive 2007 Business Leader of the Year Award

Article by David Schultz. Photo by Rick Koebernick.

Our own **Deb Whisler** will receive the 2007 Business Leader of the Year award at the Chamber's Installation Dinner on January 17, 2008. Mayor Arlene Mulder and outgoing Chamber President, Betsy Kmiecik (wife of our Rotarian, **Bill Kmiecik**) will present the award.

Deb is completing her sixth and final year on the Chamber's Executive Committee in 2007. For the last five years, she has held an office on the Chamber's Board of Directors, including being elected its Presi-



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Upcoming Programs

Nov 22	Thanksgiving No Meeting
Nov 29	To Be Arranged
Dec 6	No Meeting Holiday Party 12/7
Dec 13	Chuck DuShane U.S. Secret Service
Dec 20	Major General David Harris, Ret. Report on Iraq

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- The remaining 50% (\$100,000) to be used by the district for other programs (such as Polio-Plus, Ambassadorial Scholarship for Third World districts, Peace Scholarship and The World Fund)
- 20% of that year's DDF monies (\$20,000) is available for District Simplified Grants (DSGs). Each club can request up to \$1,000 for local projects on a matching basis. In the example above, the amount of money available for DSGs would be \$20,000.

Matching grants for local projects have only been possible within the last couple of years. The remainder of the district's matching grants money (\$80,000 in our example) is used for overseas projects.

Clubs in the district submit a proposal to the district's Humanitarian Committee. This committee meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month to review proposed projects and decide on which ones are eligible for matching funds. Proposals for any given Rotary Year will be considered up through the committee's March meeting since March 31st is the RI cutoff date for matching funds from their level. The committee meets in April to disburse any funds not used by matching grants to Polio-Plus and/or the other projects listed above.

The way the overseas matching grants work can be illustrated by another example. If a club in the district has received approval for a project and is willing to contribute \$2500 of its money, the district will match that with \$1.50 for every \$1.00 contributed by the club originally. That is, the district will match the original \$2500 grant with \$3750. Then RI will match each dollar given by the district on a "one-to-one basis" (\$3750) and each dollar given by the club with \$0.50 (\$1250). Altogether, the project will be funded at a \$11,250 level, with the club contributing a total of \$2500, the district contributing \$3750 and RI contributing \$5000. The overseas partner clubs must contribute \$100 to the project, either cash or DDF monies from their district.

To be eligible for matching grants from the district, the club must have:

- contributed to the Annual Giving program of the Rotary Foundation at least the amount they are requesting
- Submitted their Rotary Foundation goals for the year

- Filed with the district the club's completed *Planning Guide for Effective Clubs*

Finally, once a club gets a grant, it must follow up by completing the project and "closing it out," usually within a year, by filing a report with the district.

Club Holds Fireside Chat at Rolling Green CC

*Article by David Schultz.
Photos by Rick Koebnick.*

On Wednesday, November 7th, the Club held its annual Fireside Chat at Rolling Green Country Club. **Jim Miller** kicked off the meeting after some great hors d'oeuvres and fellowship.

Jennifer Burnidge described the composition of our Rotary Club, Rotary International and of the various committees which comprise the activities of our Club. Each committee Chairperson discussed their committee goals and objectives.

The discussion became really lively when the topics of the Foundation and the Four Avenues of Service were presented. All in all, this program continues to be useful for new members, as well as tenured Rotarians.



From left to right: Bill Mahoney, Lynn Jensen, Scott Whisler, Kris Stabler

The District 6440 "Grants" Scoreboard: 2007 & 2008

In Rotary Year 2006-07, our district gave:

- \$63,500 in grants to fund 15 projects sponsored by 29 clubs
- \$29,000 to fund 31 District Simplified Grants (DSGs)
- \$20,000 to the Polio-Plus program

For this Rotary Year (2007-08), our district has:

- \$70,000 available for grants and
- \$36,000 for DSGs

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dent in 2005. As a Chamber Officer, she has enjoyed the opportunities to network and partner, and to mentor new Chamber members and leaders.

Deb currently serves on the Board of Directors at the Metropolis Performing Arts Centre. She has previously served on the Greater Woodfield Convention & Tourism Board of Directors, the United Way of Arlington Heights Board of Directors, and the Breeders' Cup Task Force at Arlington Park.

Our congratulations go out to Deb on this well-deserved achievement.

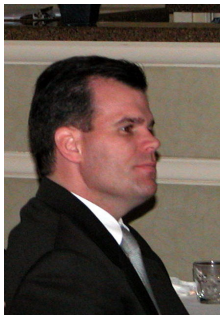
How To Participate In The Adler Rotary Thanksgiving Project

On Monday morning, November 19 at 8:00 am

- Meet at the Garden Fresh back dock to load groceries
- Proceed to Arlington Park grandstand (off Wilke Road)
- Unload and sort items in meal boxes
- Deliver meals to Arlington Heights Human Services Department (Village Hall) and Wheeling Township offices

Contact **Kris Stabler** if you questions talk to Kris Stabler at a Rotary Club meeting or contact

Proposed For Membership



Matthew Fink, Vice President at The Peoples' Bank of Arlington Heights, 815 N. Walnut Ave., Arlington Heights, IL 60004 has been sponsored for membership by **Kris Stabler**. Matt's classification is "Community Banking"; he has been a member of the Arlington Heights Sunrise Rotary

Big Wheel Staff Takes A Break

With the Thanksgiving Holiday and no meeting on November 22nd, the Big Wheel newsletter and staff will take a break.

A condensed version of the Big Wheel *may* be produced before the November 29th meeting depending on content.

Our full and exciting version will resume on December 4th. Stay tuned!

Visit the Lincoln Museum By Rail

Reprinted from District 6440 Website

On Jan. 19, 2008, Rotarians from District 6440 will board an Amtrak train departing Union Station in Chicago at 1:45 p.m. and arrive in Springfield at 5:14 p.m.

From the Amtrak Station in Springfield you will walk a short distance to the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel & Conference Center

(www.presidentabrahamlincolnhotel.com) and check in for an evening of relaxation, swimming, fellowship, and family fun.

Sunday, Jan. 20, we will tour the Lincoln Museum (www.alplm.org/home.html) and Lincoln's home (3-1/2 hours). The balance of the day will be spent enjoying the surrounding area.

On Monday morning we will depart Springfield at 8:33 a.m., arriving back at Union Station at 12:15 p.m.

Train tickets are \$32 per person (round trip) and tour tickets are \$10 per person. Meals and beverages are on your own. Visit the District Website (www.rotary6440.org) to register on-line.

Our hotel rate is \$84 per night plus taxes. To reserve a room, call the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel directly at 866/788-1860 and tell the reservations person that you are with Rotary 6440.

Questions? Contact Kristina Laib (admin@rotary6440.org or 847/241-4458).

And don't forget the signup deadline is **Monday, Dec. 3, 2007.**

Bring Items To This Week's Meeting To Restock Food Pantry

You can help restock a food pantry. There is a critical need for food items at the Wheeling Township Food Pantry. **Kris Stabler** has organized a collection at this week's meeting. See the accompanying list of items that are most needed. Please pitch in a bring food items to this week's regular club meeting.

November Birthdays

Jennifer Burnidge 3rd

James Murray 8th

Tom Berry 17th

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Club Meeting Info

Rotarians Absent from November 1st Meeting: Borton, Boggs, Burnidge, Cavoto, Chrisos, Crawford, Duchek, Field, French, Heller, Hester, Johnson, Landwehr, McMahon, Mallek, Morman, Nash, Nuccio, Oakes, Ohrstrom, Paddock Jr., Pearson, Popp, Ridler, Ryan, Sampson, Scaletta, Schweers, Silverman, Upmeyer, Vaswani, Walter, R. Whisler.

Make-ups

Rotarians Who Reported This Week "Make Ups" For Past Absences: Billimoria, Burnidge, Crawford, Hoff, Mahoney, Mulder, Nash, Pearson, Silverman, Whisler

Care and Concern

Our thoughts and prayers go out to **Tim and Claudia Corrigan** and their family on the tragic loss of Claudia's brother, Maurice Torres.

Visit the Funeral Home's website for more information: <http://www.glueckertfh.com>

Memorial visitation from 10:00 a.m., Saturday, November 17, 2007 until the time of Memorial Service celebrating Moe's life at 12:00 p.m. at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1234 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights.

In lieu of flowers please send memorial donations in Moe's name to Salute, Inc., P.O. Box 236, Prospect Heights, IL 60070-0236.

We also wish a "Get Well Soon" to **Curly Nebel**.

Upcoming District 6440 Events

From District 6440 Website—www.rotary6440.org

November 15

"Rotary Reads Day"

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

November 15, 2007

Wheeling Township Food Pantry Collection

November 19, 2007 (8:00 am - 12:30 pm)

Thanksgiving Outreach Project

December 2, 2007 (9:00 am - 12:00 noon)

Holiday Giving Project

December 3, 2007

Registration Deadline for Springfield Trip

December 7, 2007

Holiday Party with AH Sunrise Club

Meridian Banquets, 1701 Algonquin, Rolling

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

November 15

Bob Morman

November 22

Thanksgiving—No Mtg.

November 29

Stacey Mallek

November Stand-In

Jim Miller

December 6

No Meeting/Holiday Party on Dec 7