



"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?

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## Scheduling Issue Creates Change in Program

Article by Pat McMahon & David Schultz. Photos by Bill Kmiecik.

The program at the October 4th meeting was changed on-the-fly, due to an unfortunate scheduling issue. The original program, a presentation by **Governor Mike Ericksen**, will take place at this week's meeting. Pat McMahon and **David Schultz** were asked to present their classification speech to fill the program time.

David was born in Chicago and, when he was six years old, his family relocated to Mount Prospect. David attended Forest View High School from which he graduated in 1979. After attending Davenport College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and graduating in 1982, David joined the

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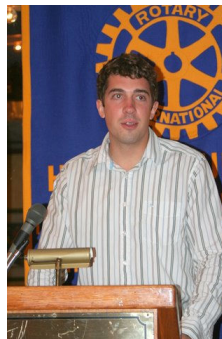
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## Adam Zarazinski—Ambassadorial Scholar

Edited by Bill Hoff from a recent letter

Dear Mr. Hoff and Ms. Lutz,

Thank you so much for all of your help. I will have been here a week tomorrow, and it has already been a great experience, albeit, a very hectic one. I arrived last Wednesday and Peter Halliday, my Rotary Host Councilor drove two and a half hours to come and pick me up from Heathrow and bring me to the University of Nottingham. He is a really great guy and is willing to help whenever I need it. I have just started getting settled, as two days after I arrived, I already left to go to the RIBI LINK Rotary Weekend in Bournemouth. The RIBI LINK weekend was a meeting of all of the scholars that are studying in the UK. It was truly an experience. Over 15 different countries were represented and we had the opportunity to interact and network with everyone. Two other scholars (from Vancouver and New York) and I



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### Upcoming Programs

- Oct 18** District 6440 Speaker Vocational Service
- Oct 25** Club Assembly
- Nov 1** Roylene Gallas Annual Giving—RI
- Nov 8** Tony Tolbert III Matching Grants—RI

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Arlington Heights Fire Department in 1984. David told the story of how he became interested in the Fire Service and Emergency Medical Services, by watching the television series "Emergency", in the mid-70's. David presently is responsible for the EMS Division of the Fire Department.

It was the Fire Department that introduced David to Rotary. In 1989, David's supervisor, who was married to a Rotarian, suggested that he apply for the GSE Team that was headed for South Africa. He did, and was selected to participate on the team that was led by Jack Blane (Wheeling Club).

Prior to leaving for South Africa, while at the 6440 District Conference, David met a young woman, Kerstin Kopp, from Gothenburg, Sweden, who was in the last phase of her Ambassadorial Scholarship at Kellogg Graduate School. They had a whirlwind romance that led David to "stopping by" Sweden on his return home from South Africa to meet Kerstin's family. It was then that Kerstin announced her decision to return to the U.S. and attend her second year at Kellogg. On New Years Eve, 1989, David proposed, and to his surprise, Kerstin accepted. They have been married since March, 1991, and live in Arlington Heights with their Black Labrador Retriever, Gimlet.

David is always grateful to Rotary and the profound impact it has on lives and life.

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### **Patrick McMahon**

was born in Oak Park and grew up in Mount Prospect. Pat graduated from Prospect High School in 1984, achieved his Bachelor of Science degree from Indiana University School of Business in 1988, and his Juris Doctor degree from John Marshall Law School in 1993. After graduation from law school, Pat became an associate with the Chicago firm of Rooks, Pitts and Poust (now known as Dykema Gossett), where he was involved exclusively in litigation. In 1995, he joined the firm then known as Drost & Kivlahan, Ltd. in Arlington Heights as an associate. Pat is now a partner in the firm of Drost Kivlahan McMa-



hon & O'Connor, LLC, where he concentrates his practice in the areas of corporate transactions and estate planning. His interest in the law was sparked by his father, who worked in the Legal & Claims Department at Commonwealth Edison for many years.

Pat is involved in the Rotary Club Administration committee as a writer for the weekly Big Wheel newsletter, prepared the program for the 2007 Rotary Raffle, and is involved in the annual book drive. Outside of Rotary, Pat is an active volunteer at PADS to Hope and Willow Creek Community Church.

Pat lives in Hoffman Estates with his two children, Ryan (age 10), and Evan (age 5).

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## **ABCs of Rotary Workshop at RI Headquarters On November 1<sup>st</sup>**

Especially valuable for newer Rotarians, the *ABCs of Rotary* is a great refresher for longer-term members as well. This workshop will be held at the World Headquarters of Rotary International (1560 Sherman Avenue) in Evanston, IL 60201.

There will also be an optional tour of RI Headquarters and a reception with RI President **Wilf Wilkinson and the Board of Directors**. Although there is no charge for these optional events, you **MUST** register separately for the tour, the workshop and the reception.

### **Workshop Agenda**

**11:00 am** Tour of RI Headquarters

**11:30 am** Independent lunch at RI cafeteria

**12:45 pm-4:45 pm** Check-in and pick up information folders; Workshop

**5:00 pm--Reception with RI President Wilf Wilkinson and Board of Directors**

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**Important Notice:** The club will pay the \$40 registration fees for any club member who attends the District's November 1<sup>st</sup> "ABCs of Rotary" workshop at RI Headquarters in Evanston Illinois.

Those wishing to attend should contact **Lynn Jensen (lejensen@comcast.net) or 847-222-8022.**

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took a four hour train ride to the south of England and spent the weekend with Rotarian host families. Another scholar, Tobin, and I stayed with the same family. They picked us up, fed us until I thought I was going to explode and drove us around to see the coast and an old army base. That was about all we did on Friday, aside from gathering around the TV to watch England beat Tonga in a Rugby match.

Saturday, we were dropped off at Poole Harbour and all of the scholars were treated to a tour of the harbour and the surrounding coast. The Harbour master, who is a retired Navy Commander, is a Rotarian and really treated us special. We went on a large boat (large enough to hold all 100 scholars and about another 50 Rotarians), and saw the harbour, a beautiful coast line, and a part of Bournemouth that today is considered the most expensive place to live in the world. Actually, as we were going by, a personal helicopter was landing in the backyard of one of the mansions. Along with this, a new experimental patrol boat that was only recently invented gave us a little show. After this ended, we had a little R and R back at our host families and then went off to a hotel for a barn dance.

There was a live band and a dance floor, and really, thats all I need to have a good time. The girl sitting next to me was from a coastal town in Japan and is studying English literature, and her and I were the first two on the dance floor...which everyone thought was quite funny because I am 6'5" and she wasn't even 5 feet. So we had a great night, and although I met people from all over the world, it was great to see a group that was studying basically the same thing I am. Everyone there had a humanitarian focus, and not only was it refreshing, but I really think that all of the scholars are going to make something of themselves and it was a great opportunity to network.

Sunday we spent listening to the head of Rotary in the UK and the head of Rotaract in the UK give talks on how to be an effective scholar in England. They were great speeches. Actually, the head of Rotaract and I had become friends the night before, and him and I decided that it would be a good idea if, along with giving some of my presentations to Rotary Clubs, I went to local high schools and gave some presentations there as well. I think that would be a good way to spread the word about Rotary and the opportunities it offers. So, later this month I will be working with him on that project.

After that, all of the scholars left for University, and

since then I have been setting up my classes, registering, trying to find a cell phone, etc. I really had no idea how much work it would take just to settle in. My Rotary host family, for instance, was nice enough to give me some extra bedding they had, because I didnt have any as I did not know this would not be provided for me in the dorm. The bedding is pretty funny though, it is really colorful and has kittens jumping around on it. My choices were that or Barbie bedding, so I chose the kittens.

Well that is about it. I go to a district conference this weekend and I should be starting all of my classes soon. As soon I get all of my pictures uploaded I will send them to you. Please, put any or all of my updates into newsletters or anywhere else you like. I think that article in the Pioneer Press should be coming out soon as well, so that will be good.

It has only been a week and Rotary has already gone above and beyond what I think anyone else would do for me. THANK YOU SO MUCH! This year is going to be the greatest in my life, and I really appreciate it. I hope to hear from both of you soon.

Sincerely, Adam

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## Plan for Fireside Chat 2007

Mark your calendars for our club's 2007 Fireside Chat on Wednesday evening, November 7<sup>th</sup>, at Rolling Green Country Club beginning at 5:30pm. Complimentary drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The Fireside Chat is designed as an overview of Rotary International, the Rotary Foundation, and specifically, our club. If you are a new member during the last 18 months, this is a very important date you shouldn't miss. If you have been a member for longer than 18 months, it is important for you to show support for our newer members, as well as taking the time to get to know them, and letting them get to know you. Rolling Green is a great place, and provides a very relaxing atmosphere.

As an added agenda item this year, a short presentation will be given on how to use the new features of the Club's web site and ClubRunner

Stay tuned for more information at our weekly meetings and in upcoming issues of the **Big Wheel**. Most importantly, get those calendars marked.

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## Club Meeting Info

**Rotarians Absent From the Club's October 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting:** Behrens, Berry, Bertucci, Bodinus, Boggs, Burnidge, Chisholm, Chrisos, Duchek, Enes, Field, Forncrook, Jensen, Johnson, Kmiecik, Landwehr, Murray, Nash, Nuccio, Oakes, Ohrstrom, Paddock Jr., Sampson, Scaletta, Silverman, Stuckmeyer, Tauber, Vaswani, Walter, Whisler D., Wilson.

## Heads-Up!!!

At the October 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Fine Master was kind enough to provide advance notice of a pending fine for all members not wearing their Rotary Pin at the October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Rotary Pins are available and can be purchased from Ron Crawford for \$2.00 each. My advice is to pick-up 2 or 3 to have on hand in case of emergency!

*Asst. Editor*

## Upcoming District 6440 Events

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**Nov 01, 2007, 11: 00 am - 6:00 pm**

**ABC's: Rotary International HQ Tour**

**ABC's of Rotary Workshop**

**ABC's Reception with**

**Pres. Wilkinson & RI Board**

Rotary International HQ

Evanston, IL 60201

**Jan 26, 2008 - Feb 04, 2008**

**Guatemala Dist. 6440 Service Project**

Register for any of these events online at

[www.rotary6440.org](http://www.rotary6440.org)

## Upcoming Club Events

**November 7, 2007 (5:30 pm)**

**Fireside Chat @ Rolling Green Country Club**

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

**Thanksgiving Outreach Project**

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

**Holiday Giving Project**

See September 25<sup>th</sup> *Big Wheel* For Details.

## October Birthdays

**William Borst** 5<sup>th</sup>

**Marie French** 6<sup>th</sup>

**Kerry Pearson** 11<sup>th</sup>

**Harold Nebel** 21<sup>st</sup>

**Joseph Higgs** 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Robert Nuccio** 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Patrick McMahon** 29<sup>th</sup>

## Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

**October 11** Bob Paddock, Jr.

**October 18** Lew O'Donnell

**October 25** Curly Nebel

**October Stand-In** Kerry Pearson

**November 1** Joe Musolino