



“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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Sep 4th: **NO CLUB MEETING**
Due to the Steak Fry on Sep 5th

Wendy Davis—Classification Talk

Article by David Schultz.



Wendy Davis began her classification talk by thanking **Bob Morman** for encouraging everyone to stay for the whole meeting. Wendy also poked fun that while she is hosting the Club’s Annual Steak Fry at her house, that she had only one rule, and that was no “peeing” in the bushes!

Although Wendy is a new Rotarian, she is not new to Rotary. Her husband Scott was a Rotarian, and she participated with him on many Rotary activities. Wendy indicated that she has been a Heifer Volunteer for years, and she and Scott would alternate events to accommodate both organizations.

Wendy has been very active in the eradication of Polio project (see picture above right from her 2006 trip to India). She points out that it is a constant battle in some areas of the world due to poverty and, of all things, diarrhea. The polio vaccine is eliminated from the body when the individual has diarrhea, and this reduces the efficacy of the vaccine.

By her own admission, Wendy is a traveler. Recently, she has been to the West Coast of Africa, and has visited with clubs of different organizations involved in many projects, including clean water, school construction and general education, to mention a few.

Wendy was born and raised in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and says “it’s a great place to grow up.” She met Scott in the tenth grade and sat behind him in class, but unfortunately, she could not see the blackboard because Scott was so tall. Wendy married Scott when she was in her junior year at Northwestern University.

Wendy became a teacher and taught until she and Scott had children— three of them, all boys. Two of her sons live in Arlington Heights, with the other living in Iowa. Wendy has eight grandchildren.

In closing, Wendy professed her love of travel which began at age 16 and has continued throughout her life. She spent time in France for part of her education, and has been involved in bicycling in many places throughout the world.

Steak Fry To Be Held At A New Location



Join your fellow Rotarians and their families for food, drink and fun at the club’s annual steak fry. This year the event will be held on **Friday, September 5th** at the home of **Wendy Davis** at **1102 W Clarendon Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004**. Call 847-870-8706 if you need directions. Due to limited parking on Clarendon Road, attendees are encouraged to park on Kennecott.

We expect a great turn-out of 60 or more people. A select group of Rotarians will do the cooking. **Club members should bring a raffle prize worth about \$25 and dessert to share.** As shown in the picture from last year’s steak fry, the attire is casual.

There is still time to register online or by contacting **Jon Ridler** (847-253-1703 or at jridler@arlingtonhtschamber.com).

Upcoming Programs

Sep 5 Steak Fry

Sep 11 Mike Driskill
Arlington Heights
Memorial Library

Sep 18 Marcia McMahon
“Living United”
United Way

Sep 25 Club Assembly

Club Happenings & Announcements

Photos by Rick Koebernick.

Chuck Adler joined us for lunch at last week's meeting. Chuck was a former member of the Club for 4 years. He hopes to re-join us and concentrate on charity and fund-raising events.

Bill Mahoney mentioned that the August birthdays were notable because there are more members with August birthdays than in any other month.

Bob Morman called on Club members to fully attend the meetings, and not leave prior to, or during the speakers presentation.



Shown in the accompanying picture (l. to r), **Bob Nash, David Schultz, Bill Mahoney, Cory Upmeyer, Bill Kmiecik, Linda Borton** and **Kris Stabler** helped staff the Aug 18th Immunization Clinic.

Regarding the Santa Sleigh Run, it was reported that there has been a small number of sign-ups on the web-site. All members are encouraged to get the word out about this event as it is our first for the Club. Please contact **Bill Kmiecik** for additional information.

Kris Stabler is in heaven! She is the proud grandma of a 7 lb.2 oz 19 1/2 inch baby boy, **Dylan Thomas Stabler**. Kris says this is a wonderful blessing for her whole family.



Fine Master Concerned About Rat

Article by David Schultz.

Fine Master **Ron Walter** was clearly concerned about the whereabouts of the Rotary Rat, even in light of the Rat's correspondence last week, which was published in last edition of the Big Wheel. "A conspiracy is at hand." Ron distributed "evidence" to each table implicating a cast of characters eerily similar to the Penguin (*Schultz*), the Joker (*Crawford*), the Riddler (*Ridler*), and the Cat Woman (*search is actively in progress*). Don't touch that channel... Stay tuned for more to come.

Ron continued with trivia questions concerning which ocean is the deepest after the Pacific (Indian), which river is the longest after the Nile (Amazon), and which nation drinks the most coffee per capita (Finland).

Upcoming District 6440 Events

From District 6440 Website—See www.rotary6440.org

Oct 2, 2008
District Golf Outing

Feb 28 - Mar 9, 2009
Guatemala Service Project

Oct 3 - 5, 2008
District Conference
Marriott Lincolnshire



Upcoming Club Events

September 5, 2008
Steak Fry

December 6, 2008
Santa Sleigh Run

February 12, 2009
Valentine's Day Party

Club Member Updates

Rotarians Absent From the Club's Aug 21st Meeting: Behrens, Berry, Bertucci, Billimoria, Bodinus, Burnidge, Cavoto, Chisholm, Duchek, Ennes, Field, Fink, Forncrook, French, Graeff, Hoff, Jensen, Mallek, McMahan, Mulder, Nuccio, O'Donnell, Pad-dock Jr., Passannante, Pearson, Ryan, Scaletta, Schweers, Silverman, Upmeyer, Vaswani

Guests: Chuck Adler

Greeter Schedule

September
October

Borton & Dawson
Graeff & Mulder

Pledge, 4-Way Test & Invocation Assignments

September Stand-In
September 5
September 11
September 18
September 25

Pat Mc Mahon
Stacey Mallek
Bill Mahoney
Rick Koebernick
Bill Kmiecik

Correction

The last edition of the Big Wheel incorrectly identified the recipient of the fund raising effort as "Renee." The correct individual is Regina, and the fund raising will be used to obtain a service dog. **Deb Whisler** was also involved in the fund raising softball tournament.

The editor regrets the error.