

Rockford East Rotary Club

Clock Tower Resort & Conference Center

7801 E. State Street, Rockford, IL 61108

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WE MISSED YOU!!

Marsha Abramson, Beth Arvidson, Mike Belk, JoAnn Blaser, Ingrid Dohm, Robert Eichman, Jerry Flaming, Gary Hamburg, Don Johnson, Tina Kirschman, Craig Klaas, Chuck Lindstrom, Nicolas Meade, Blas Serrano, Chris vanSickle, Jack Ward

GUESTS

Tom Micetich – Havana, IL Rotary
Rick Nielsen – Downtown Rotary

ANNIVERSARY / BIRTHDAYS

Lynn Godina – Birthday 1/25

COMING EVENT

1/26 - TBA

SPEAKER'S NOTES

Rick Nielsen came from the Downtown Club to speak about the Rotary Youth Exchange. Our district needs host families for the students arriving from other Rotary clubs around the world. The most current need is someone who will host a girl from Warsaw, Poland from April-July of this year.

Each student stays with three host families during their year as an exchange student-fall, winter and spring. The host family's responsibilities are lodging, preferably a bedroom of their own, family meals and transportation to and from school and some extra-curricular activities. Hopefully you will include them in outings and other fun things you do as a family too, so they can truly experience life in Rockford, IL. They are top-notch kids and hosting a foreign exchange

student is something that perhaps you may want consider, now or in the future.

Dick Wang – Club Service - announced that Club Assembly will be Feb. 16th at 5:30 in the Wallingford IV room. This evening meeting includes fellowship, committee reports and approval of the annual fundraiser. The Rotary Community Board on the outskirts of Cherry Valley holds community announcements and notices of lost pets. Dick, Cherry Valley Administrator and the Fire Dept. have keys to the board.

Peg Wilkerson – Membership – Our past membership drive was quite a success, resulting in 6 new members. Our club had the biggest percentage increase in the District. Our next drive will begin at the end of February and last four weeks. We are striving for a critical mass of 40+ members. Right now we have 34.

Chris Weber – Treasurer – Invoices will be going out soon. He passed out forms for Fundraiser recipient nominations. Our focus is on kids, so be specific when filling out how the organization will be using their monies to help kids. A copy of this form is also attached to this newsletter email.

Jon Whitlock – Foundation – An FYI – Rotarians not only give money, but also their time and talents. A group from Houston flew to Haiti to dig a well and landed an hour before the earthquake. They must have quite a story! Our goal for the foundation donation this year is \$4500. Please consider becoming a Paul Harris fellow or a sustaining one, for as little as \$25 a quarter. Chris will add it onto your invoice, if you would like.

ATTENTION: In order to help our members be on time for our morning meetings, fines have been established. \$1.00 for coming in after the meeting has started, \$1.00 for not wearing your Rotary pin. (See Lynn for one if needed.)

THE FOUR WAY TEST

First, is it the truth?

Second, is it fair to all concerned?

Third, will it build goodwill & better friendships?

Fourth, will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Rotary International Motto
"Service Above Self"

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- 1st - the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2nd - high ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- 3rd - the application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life
- 4th - the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

ROTARY MAKE-UP LOCATIONS:

Monday:	12:00 pm 05:45 pm	Four Seasons Banquets, Freeport Ellwood House, DeKalb
Tuesday:	12:00 pm 12:00 pm 12:10 pm	Loves Park Civic Center Rochelle Country Club Jimmy's Patio Grill, Harvard
Wed:	07:00 am 11:45 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 12:00 pm	Steam Factory, Belvidere Maxon's Manor, Oregon Stonewall Cafe, Pecatonica Carl's Fargo, Sycamore YMCA, Belvidere
Thursday	07:00 am 12:00 pm	Four Season Banquets, Freeport Memorial Hall, Rockford
Friday	11:45 am	DeSota House Hotel, Galena

Online Make-up at: www.rotaryclubone.org

The Four Avenues of Service

Based on the Object of Rotary, the four Avenues of Service are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which Club activity is based:

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the Club. The committee organizes social activities for the Club, maintains and order supplies, promotes Club involvement and friendships.

Community Service covers the projects and activities the Club undertakes to improve life in its community. The committee supports the effort of the Club to achieve community understanding by developing projects, assisting in community efforts and supporting the continued overall improvement of the community.

International Service encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace. The committee raises money for the Rotary Foundation which supplements Club and District projects to improve the quality of life, provide health care, clean water, food, education and other essential needs primarily in underdeveloped nations.

Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards. The committee provides opportunities for members to learn more about other vocations through weekly guest speakers, member vocational talks and community service tours.

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