

# Rotary International District 6450

## The Birthplace of Rotary

# NEWSLETTER



2005-06 District Governor Rick Thiernau

**SERVICE Above Self**

**July 2005**

[www.rotary6450.org](http://www.rotary6450.org)

### CHICAGO CONVENTION HOME HOSPITALITY LETTERS

To the Rotary Club of Chicago Southeast:

Bill and I returned back to Texas late last night and we have treasured memories from the Chicago Convention. I wish to extend a special THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart to you and your fellow club members. I am very grateful for your club's hospitality. I enjoyed the guided tour on the bus to "the mansion." The program during the evening was very well planned and enjoyable. The food was absolutely great and the fellowship fantastic. It was an outstanding event. I am originally from Sweden (my first 25 years) and I must say I learned more about African-American heritage/history from your club during this visit than I have in all my 55 year life. I now also have an interest in learning more. Maybe one day we will meet again. I am proud to be a Rotarian and our time with your club was an expression of showing Rotary "at work" building bridges and better understanding among people from all parts of the world.

Christina Rathbun  
Rotary Club of Lake Conroe  
Montgomery, TX

To Prez Jim Mahan of the Rotary Club of Homewood:

Becky and I enjoyed the evening with you and your club members. Your wife did a great job fixing a delightful meal. We consider the evening with you as probably the highlight of the convention. Thanks again.

Bob and Becky Larsen, Lake Forest, CA

Thanks again for such a nice hosting at convention.

Nanci Larson  
New Port Richey, FL



### A NEW ROTARY YEAR A NEW CENTURY OF ROTARY

I would like to start my service to this District by thanking all the District Rotarians who were able to represent their clubs at the District Governor's Installation. What a wonderful way to say "thank you" to Past District Governor Chris and Georgia and to set the foundation for this year.

We are starting a new chapter in Rotary. I am looking forward to serving you as your District Governor. I want to learn what your club is doing and how we can work together to help those less fortunate. As I make my official visit to your club I will share with you some ideas on how to begin a new project to help those in need. Donna will be joining me on the official visits and we have a gift for each club. This should make you look forward to our visit.

I am asking all Rotarians to recommit themselves to Rotary and to wear their Rotary pin every day — not just on your meeting day, not just when you wear a suit, but every day. This will remind you of your commitment to Rotary and it will tell others that you are a Rotarian, that you believe in "Service Above Self".

I have three goals for Rotarians:

1. Make up one meeting
2. Bring a guest to your Rotary meeting
3. Contribute to the Rotary International Foundation

I have three goals for each club:

1. Be involved with one International Project
2. Have one Rotary program per month
3. Begin "The 4-Way Test Program"

I would like to thank you for all that you do for Rotary, your community, and the world. You are making a difference. I wish you the very best this year. I am looking forward to our paths crossing.

*Rick Thiernau*

## Sad news following the Chicago International Convention



June 29, 2005

With great sadness, I report the loss of four of our members during the post Chicago fly-around. The accident happened on final approach to Groton Airport, Connecticut. The four were Chip and Pat Rollins from Phoenix, Arizona; and Peter and Helen Walsh from Wagga Wagga, Australia.

Chip and Pat were active Rotarians in their club where Pat was secretary. Chip and Pat had a special interest in the Angel Flight and Young Eagles programs. Chip had recently retired as a dental surgeon to focus more on flying. He held a full commercial pilot's license. Pat also held a pilot's license.

Peter was the current secretary of IFFR (Australia). A Past District Governor and PHF, he was highly respected in Rotary circles and did a power of work for The Rotary Foundation. He and Helen were tireless workers in their local community and in their church. Examples of this were in "Country Hope", a charity concerned with the support of families with children with severe illness. They were leaders in the establishment of a Ronald McDonald home in their neighbourhood.

I had met Peter and Helen on the post Brisbane fly-around, and meeting up in Chicago was an opportunity to renew our friendship. This fly-around was the first time that I had met Chip and Pat, but even in less than a week I had felt I had know them as friends for much longer. This was a feeling shared by everyone on the fly-around.

The spirit of all of us was strengthened by a memorial meeting we held on the day following the accident. Prayers were lead by the Rev. Tom Johnston, one of the fly-around participants, and passages of Scriptures were read by other members. Those who knew the couples shared their reminiscences. It was a very moving occasion which bound us together and helped us both to grieve and come to terms with our loss.

The Fellowship's sympathy goes out to the relatives and friends of both couples.

Angus Clark, World President IFFR 2004-2006

*From the International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians website: [www.iffro.org](http://www.iffro.org)*

## A Word From Homewood Rotarian Mike Dunn:

IFFR Fly-Around

I would like to take a moment to express my pride in the Homewood Rotary Club and our sister clubs in the area.

I had accepted the responsibility of planning the local arrangements for the International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians, for their arrivals and departures at the Lansing, IL airport during the annual fly-around.

Several times I thought the whole thing would be a colossal failure, but I was amazed about how many things fell into place at the last moment. I re-learned a valuable lesson! What seems like an impossible task becomes easy when enough Rotarians put their shoulder to the plow and pull together.

I will spare you all the details, but I wanted to let the Homewood club know that the breakfast and send off was a spectacular success. I heard nothing but the highest praise from each of our guests.

Thanks to all the guys & gals who pitched in and helped so much. Thank you Lansing, Chicago Heights, Matteson and all the other clubs that offered so much.

Hard work? Heck no! It was a blast!

Mike Dunn  
Homewood Rotary Club  
Former Member, IFFR

## SENIORS' SPECIAL:

We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the "Seniors' Special" was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$1.99.

"Sounds good," my wife said. "But I don't want the eggs."

"Then I'll have to charge you two dollars and forty-nine cents because you're ordering a la carte," the waitress warned her.

"You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?", my wife asked incredulously. "I'll take the special."

"How do you want your eggs?"

"Raw and in the shell," my wife replied. She took the two eggs home.



**DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS!**

## ONE ROTARIAN'S CONVENTION EXPERIENCE

To average Rotarians the international scope of Rotary is a dry statistic: 1.2 million members in 32,000 clubs in 168 countries. While impressive, such numbers do not directly convey the essence of Rotary.

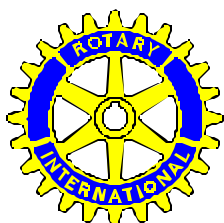
Now pack over 40,000 Rotarians and guests into one venue for almost a week and the dry statistic just explodes into life. One knows intellectually that there are humanitarians all over the world, but to actually meet and talk with Rotarians from every corner of the earth who subscribe to the idea of "Service Above Self" gives one a sense of a global and personal partnership.

One is told that, as a Rotarian, you would be welcomed by almost any Rotarian in the world. But you know it is genuine when you are actually invited by members of clubs in France or Brazil or Australia. The fellowship aspect of our organization is truly global.

In my capacity as its Business Expo Chair, I walked the halls of McCormick Place dozens of times during the 100th Anniversary Convention last month. Wherever I went I felt a tangible, uplifting energy. I am really proud to be part of such an organization.

I know that the good work of Rotary starts at the local level and I am excited to support the Clubs of District 6450 this year as District Governor Elect.

Sue Smallwood, DGE



### The 4-Way Test of the Things We Think, Say or Do...

- First:** Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Second:** Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Third:** Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Fourth:** Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## Do we need a District Project?

District 6450 is very fortunate to have so many dedicated and innovative Rotarians. Many of our Rotarians have taken the initiative to start and sponsor programs and projects that benefit many people throughout our world. These individuals have taken on the legal and monetary responsibilities of these programs. Some of these projects include:

- Comely Bank and Paul Harris House – Fred Otto
- District Foundation – Larry Stichweh
- Gift of Life – George Harris
- Haiti Water Wells – Rick Thiernau
- Iraqi Medical Team – George Harris
- District Medical & Dental Committee – Terry Bartolini and Carl Schumann
- Nairobi Kenya Fresh Water Project – John Ball
- Operation LIMBS – Don Staley and Michael Diamond
- Paul Harris Memorial – Rich Ingalls
- Peruvian Medical Mission – Rotary Club of Homewood and P.A.M.S.
- Rotaplast – Debbie Jefkin-Elnekave
- Seeds of Hope – Bo Lawrence and Loren Woods
- Temple Solar Project – Walt Jenkins

Though they are not District programs, the District would like to commend the work they accomplish. (In 2003, Rotarians of District 6450 voted that District programs and projects must submit financial statements to and be monitored by the District Finance Committee).

If you or your club would like to support these individual endeavors, know that some will represent an International Service project for your club, while some — like the Comely Bank and Paul Harris Memorial — are Community Service projects. Larry Stichweh, Dick Galitz and Bruce Skryd hold the legal responsibilities of the program titled District Foundation.

If you feel we need a District Project/Program that will be supported by our District by-laws, submit a project outline and budget/financial statement to District Governor Rick Thiernau or the 2005-06 District Finance Committee.

### THREE GENERATIONS OF NORTH CAROLINA PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

July 11, 2005  
Raleigh, NC

At the Rotary Club of Raleigh meeting held at the Capital City Club, 3-year old James S. Ray, III received his Paul



Pictured left to right are James S. Ray, Sr., James S. Ray, Jr. and James S. Ray, III

Harris Fellowship and got one word into his prepared speech of "No polio!". James S. Ray, Sr., a Rotarian for over 40 years, visited from Greensboro, NC to present the award. James S. Ray, Jr. originally joined Rotary at Charlotte, NC in 1994 and is a member of Rotary Club of Raleigh. Now, these three generations each have Paul Harris Fellowships.

### GRANTS PROGRAM NEWS

District Designated Funds (DDF) are made available from TRF for use in international projects, and the amount received by the district is based on the amount of donations made three years ago by District 6450 to TRF. DG Rick has announced that this Rotary year, \$33,828 will be available for Matching Grants, and \$14,492 will be available as District Simplified Grants for local community projects.

The District 6450 Grants Committee has scheduled four meeting dates during the first half of the Rotary year. Dates are: September 10<sup>th</sup>, October 29<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and January 21<sup>st</sup>. Look for the new grant application form and further information on the district website in early August. You may also contact Pat Merryweather at [d6450grants@aol.com](mailto:d6450grants@aol.com).

Pat Merryweather (Naperville), District 6450 Grants Chair

### PERSPECTIVE 2007/2008

2007/2008 – So far away but so very close.

It seems that PDG Chris Reilly's District Conference was a long time ago, but it was just last October. Governor Chris had asked me to be the MC for the conference and it was an enjoyable task. My wife Sandy and I had the privilege of sitting at one of the reserved tables near the stage; the other guests at the table included an RI director and two PDGs.



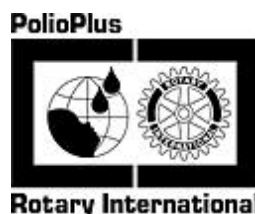
During our conversation, the topic of serving Rotary at a higher level came up several times. As a dedicated Rotarian with 29 years of perfect attendance, serving my Club and the District in many ways, the question was asked, "why hadn't I ever been a Governor?" GOOD QUESTION!! Being a Governor had been suggested to me several times over the years. There is always a reason NOT to do SOMETHING – no time / no money / new business / no interest / young kids / kids in college / whatever...

I didn't have a good reason this time and besides, I love Rotary, its programs, its members and its fellowship. After much discussion with Sandy, DGs, PDGs and our RI Directors, I made the decision to interview for Governor of District 6450 for the 2007-2008 Rotary Year. The rest is history, and training began in February 2005.

I thank you for your confidence and trust.

Yours in Service,  
Art Davis, DGN

### A Lasting Legacy



The savings of polio eradication are potentially as high as US\$1.5 billion per year - funds that could be used to address other public health priorities. The savings in human suffering will be immeasurable.

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM NEWS

Changes made in the Matching Grants program through The Rotary Foundation (TRF) have resulted in a cessation of TRF funding for projects receiving less than US\$5,000 from a Rotary club. This is resulting in more clubs needing to partner with another club to participate in an international project. More information will be available on the district website after August 1<sup>st</sup>.

To help facilitate this partnering effort, quarterly meetings of club International Service Directors have been scheduled for this Rotary year. Meetings will be August 27<sup>th</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup>, January 28<sup>th</sup> and April 29<sup>th</sup>. Club Directors should look for their invitation to arrive via e-mail during the week of July 11<sup>th</sup>. Any questions should be directed to Pat Merryweather at d6450internatl@aol.com.

Pat Merryweather (Naperville), District 6450 International Service Chair

## Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship Application Deadlines

During the 2005-06 Rotary year, District 6450 will award one academic-year ambassadorial scholarship for study in 2006-07. (Please note that only single-year scholarship applications will be considered). Clubs may endorse more than one applicant for the district-level competition. All applicants are required to participate in an informal social gathering on the evening of Friday, 12 August 2005, as well as a formal interview with the district committee on Saturday, 13 August 2005.

Scholarship applications must be **received** by midnight on Friday, 15 July 2005. No applications will be accepted after this date. **Completed applications should be mailed to: Ms. Jane McDonald, 628 W. Grace Street, #3, Chicago, IL 60613, Home: 773.868.0018, Work: 312.329.6048. Detailed information has been e-mailed to club officers.**

## Rotary World Peace Fellows Nominee for 2006

By Chet Szerlag  
Chair, Peace Scholars program

On behalf of the District 6450 Peace Scholars selection committee, I am pleased to report that Mr. David McGuire was presented to Rotary International as the District's 2006 nominee for the Rotary World Peace Fellows program. Committee members reviewed four excellent applications, but were most impressed with Mr. McGuire's credentials. Committee members felt that Dave's personal attributes and professional skills had strong potential for furthering Rotary's mission of world peace and understanding through participation in the Peace Fellows program.



Mr. McGuire is a 1998 graduate of Cornell College in Iowa, and originally trained to become a teacher. However, he decided to pursue a career in radio broadcasting while at Cornell College, and upon graduation returned to Chicago and accepted a job with WBEZ. Mr. McGuire has several years of program production experience in researching and presenting international issues for broadcast on the "Worldview" radio program, aired locally in Chicago on National Public Radio station WBEZ. This is an educational public affairs program that reaches a broad radio audience locally, nationally, and internationally.

Dave possesses a solid international perspective and strong desire to utilize his broadcast journalism and communication skills to further societal understanding and engagement in international relations, conflict resolution, and world peace. His teacher training underpins his effective use of the radio broadcasting medium to educate and influence people on topics involving international relations. Dave is sponsored by the Rogers Park club, and we wish him success in the final competition at RI.

Nominees from around the world will be evaluated by Rotary International, and the successful applicants will be notified sometime before the end of 2005.

The nine members of the Peace Fellows selection committee include the following individuals and their club affiliation:

- Chet Szerlag, Chair (Woodridge)
- Paul Carpenter (Rogers Park)
- Rick Quackenbush (Naperville Sunrise)
- Chris Reilly (Darien)
- Rick Thiernau (Homewood)
- Jane O'Sullivan McDonald (Rotary One)
- Pat Merryweather (Naperville Sunrise)
- Gene Sparing (Park Forest)
- Debbie Jefkin-Elnekave (Chicago Southeast)

## Rotary Club Happenings

### LaGrange

The Rotary Club of LaGrange will meet during July & August at Via Bella Restaurant, 75 S LaGrange Rd, LaGrange. 708.482.0095  
Meetings are Fridays at 12:15

For its Centennial Project, the club is donating \$15,000 to the LaGrange Park District to purchase new playground equipment for Sawyer Park, at 116 Sawyer Ave. The District has been asked to rename the roughly half-acre playground and picnic area as Rotary Centennial Park.

### From the Darien Club

Republic Bank has about 70 working Pentium II PCs and monitors which are available for donation. Please contact:

Chris Gerrib - Republic Bank  
Secretary, Darien Rotary Club  
cgerrib@RepublicEBank.com  
Direct: 630.434.5075  
Fax: 630.241.4550



### The Rotary Club Of Chicago Heights Annual Corn Roast Picnic and Club President Installation

Benefiting Local Service Projects



**Tuesday, 26 July 2005**



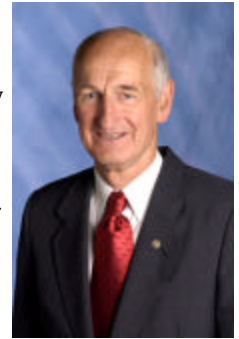
At Skyline Pool on Halsted in Chicago Heights  
Starts 3:00 pm—Dinner 6:00 pm—Program 7:00 pm

**Cost: Adults \$15 Kids Under 12 free**

**For Tickets contact John Spomar 708.946.9880**

**Dinner will be Roast Pork, Beef, Polish, Wieners,  
Corn on the Cob, Salads, and Dessert.  
Enjoy a casual evening with a good helping of Fun  
and Fellowship!**

"I personally know that Rotary changes lives because Rotary has changed mine."



*RI President-nominee (2006-2007) William B. Boyd, at the 2005 International Convention*

### Bradley-Bourbonnais

Meets at: Quality Inn & Suites  
800 N Kinsey Avenue (Rte. 50)  
Bradley, IL 60915

**Please note the new location**

### DISTRICT 6450 ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

DATE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2005  
REGISTRATION: 9:00 a.m.  
GOLF TIME: 10:00 a.m. Modified Shotgun Start  
PLACE: Prairie Bluff Golf Course  
19433 Renwick Rd, Lockport, IL

\$100 Per Golfer - Includes Bunches of Stuff!  
Competitive and Recreational Divisions  
RSVP by September 13, 2005

See your club president/secretary for registration forms.

Or contact:

- Keith Frankland - 630.910.6096
- Bob Blackburn - 630.963.3020
- Kathy Kobak - 708.361.1177



### Homewood

The Rotary Club of Homewood will again participate in the annual Homewood Days fest, raising funds by selling freshly-roasted ears of corn. Club members roast hundreds of ears during the three-day festival, serving them piping hot with warm butter and a choice of seasonings.



Come out to Homewood and enjoy a wonderful fest! Homewood Days runs Thursday through Saturday, 14-16 July, from 11:00 am until 11:00 pm, in the middle of downtown Homewood.

**District Attendance Report**

Reports submitted after publication deadline will be reflected in the previous months' columns.

**June Attendance Report**

| Jun Rank | May Rank | Apr Rank | Club                       | Jun Pct | May Pct | Apr Pct | # Mtg | Tot Mem |    |
|----------|----------|----------|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|----|
| 37       | 28       | 34       | Addison                    | 60      | 66      | 63      | 5     | 24      |    |
| 50       | 45       | 52       | Aurora                     | 41      | 55      | 50      | 2     | 71      |    |
| 21       | 28       | 34       | Aurora Naperville          | 68      | 66      | 63      | 5     | 22      |    |
| 1        | 1        | 1        | Aurora Sunrise             | 100     | 95      | 91      | 5     | 20      |    |
| 48       | 54       | 50       | Bensenville                | 45      | 36      | 52      | 4     | 20      |    |
| 27       | 28       | 28       | Berwyn                     | 66      | 66      | 66      | 4     | 12      |    |
| 44       |          | 55       | Blue Island Crestwood      | 49      |         | 38      | 4     | 16      |    |
|          |          |          | Bolingbrook                |         |         |         | 5     | 29      |    |
| 44       | 49       | 51       | Bradley Bourbonnais        | 49      | 52      | 51      | 5     | 46      |    |
| 31       | 34       | 34       | Broadview                  | 64      | 63      | 63      | 5     | 15      |    |
| 2        | 34       | 21       | Brookfield Riverside       | 90      | 63      | 68      | 4     | 22      |    |
| 52       | 50       | 41       | Burr Ridge - Willowbrook   | 35      | 50      | 58      | 5     | 16      |    |
| 12       | 12       | 10       | Channahon-Minooka          | 74      | 75      | 76      | 4     | 23      |    |
| 12       | 14       | 14       | Chicago Financial District | 74      | 73      | 72      | 4     | 35      |    |
|          | 42       | 46       | Chicago Heights            |         | 57      | 57      | 4     | 37      |    |
|          |          |          | Chicago Midwest            |         |         |         | 4     | 14      |    |
| 27       | 41       | 24       | Chicago Near South         | 66      | 58      | 67      | 5     | 24      |    |
|          |          |          | Chicago Northwest          |         |         |         | 4     | 14      |    |
| 34       | 22       | 34       | Chicago O'Hare             | 62      | 68      | 63      | 5     | 27      |    |
|          |          |          | Chicago One                |         |         |         | 4     | 198     |    |
| 25       | 47       | 54       | Chicago Rogers Park        | 67      | 53      | 42      | 4     | 22      |    |
|          |          |          | Chicago Southeast          |         |         |         | 3     | 20      |    |
| 19       | 26       | 24       | Cicero                     | 69      | 67      | 67      | 4     | 22      |    |
| 17       | 16       | 30       | Countryside                | 72      | 72      | 65      | 4     | 14      |    |
| 29       | 32       | 39       | Darien                     | 65      | 65      | 60      | 3     | 25      |    |
|          |          | 38       | Downers Grove              |         |         |         | 62    | 4       | 45 |
| 14       | 22       | 19       | Dwight                     | 73      | 68      | 69      | 5     | 25      |    |
| 14       | 26       | 17       | Elmhurst                   | 73      | 67      | 70      | 5     | 56      |    |
| 38       | 42       | 30       | Elmhurst Morning           | 59      | 57      | 65      | 5     | 15      |    |
| 47       | 42       | 7        | Evergreen Park             | 47      | 57      | 80      | 3     | 23      |    |
| 41       | 5        | 39       | Franklin Park              | 56      | 83      | 60      | 4     | 16      |    |
| 14       | 34       | 24       | Hinsdale                   | 73      | 63      | 67      | 4     | 58      |    |
| 44       | 47       | 46       | Hinsdale Oak Brook Gateway | 49      | 53      | 57      | 5     | 21      |    |
| 5        | 6        | 5        | Homewood                   | 85      | 81      | 81      | 5     | 59      |    |
| 9        | 9        | 11       | Joliet                     | 78      | 76      | 75      | 4     | 156     |    |
| 50       | 45       | 53       | Kankakee                   | 41      | 55      | 48      | 4     | 41      |    |
| 7        | 9        | 9        | LaGrange                   | 80      | 76      | 78      | 4     | 36      |    |
| 7        | 8        | 17       | Lansing                    | 80      | 77      | 70      | 4     | 16      |    |
| 21       | 32       | 28       | Lisle                      | 68      | 65      | 66      | 4     | 26      |    |
| 17       | 16       | 4        | Lockport                   | 72      | 72      | 83      | 4     | 58      |    |
| 35       | 18       | 19       | Manteno                    | 61      | 71      | 69      | 4     | 26      |    |
| 3        | 2        | 5        | Matteson                   | 87      | 89      | 81      | 4     | 21      |    |
| 35       | 3        | 11       | Maywood                    | 61      | 85      | 75      | 5     | 23      |    |
|          |          |          | Melrose Park               |         |         |         | 4     | 10      |    |
| 9        | 12       | 8        | Moraine Valley             | 78      | 75      | 79      | 3     | 11      |    |
| 42       | 50       | 41       | Morris                     | 55      | 50      | 58      | 4     | 33      |    |
|          | 34       |          | Naperville                 |         | 63      |         | 4     | 161     |    |
| 25       | 18       | 14       | Naperville Sunrise         | 67      | 71      | 72      | 4     | 95      |    |
| 33       | 28       | 13       | New Lenox                  | 63      | 66      | 73      | 5     | 24      |    |
| 29       | 14       | 21       | Norridge Harwood Heights   | 65      | 73      | 68      | 4     | 12      |    |
| 11       | 21       |          | Oak Brook                  | 75      | 70      |         | 4     | 12      |    |
| 43       | 40       | 41       | Oak Forest                 | 50      | 61      | 58      | 4     | 27      |    |
| 4        | 3        | 3        | Oak Lawn                   | 86      | 85      | 87      | 4     | 28      |    |
| 21       |          | 21       | Oak Park River Forest      | 68      |         | 68      | 5     | 106     |    |
| 31       |          | 30       | Orland Park                | 64      |         | 65      | 5     | 73      |    |
|          | 22       | 24       | Oswego                     |         | 68      | 67      | 4     | 41      |    |
|          | 9        |          | Park Forest                |         | 76      |         | 4     | 38      |    |
| 19       | 34       | 41       | Plainfield                 | 69      | 63      | 58      | 3     | 29      |    |
| 49       | 52       | 48       | Romeoville                 | 43      | 48      | 55      | 4     | 21      |    |
|          |          |          | Shorewood                  |         | 48      | 64      | 4     | 23      |    |
|          |          | 49       | Tinley Park Frankfort      |         |         | 54      | 4     | 15      |    |
| 6        | 7        | 2        | Western Springs            | 83      | 79      | 88      | 4     | 16      |    |
| 38       | 22       |          | Westmont                   | 59      | 68      |         | 3     | 36      |    |
| 38       | 39       | 41       | Wilmington                 | 59      | 62      | 58      | 4     | 19      |    |
| 21       | 18       | 16       | Woodridge                  | 68      | 71      | 71      | 5     | 16      |    |
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**COME CELEBRATE ROTARY'S 100 YEARS, AS OUR GUEST FOR GREAT COMIC THEATER!**



You and a guest are invited to see the hit musical, Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Mikado* (version 2.005) on Thursday, 4 August or Friday, 5 August at 8 pm OR Sunday, 7 August at 2:30 pm. Following each show you can MEET THE CAST of this hilarious comic musical at a complimentary dessert reception.

This special evening is being offered FREE to District 6450 Rotarians and their guests, in celebration of Rotary's 100th anniversary year.

*THE MIKADO* (version 2.005)

Join us for a fun, modern version of Gilbert and Sullivan's classic comic operetta, "The Mikado." Yum-Yum, Nanki-Poo and Koko seek true love in the town of Titipu, a bustling commuter suburb in the modern-day Japan of "salarymen" and Pokemon. The Noble Fool's musical theater veterans bring modern verve and style to the entire classic "Mikado" score, including "Three Little Maids From School", "A Wandering Minstrel, I", and "I've Got A Little List".

When you RSVP, please let us how many tickets you will need and which date you will be going.

*HAVE DINNER OR STAY THE NIGHT!*

Pheasant Run Resort & Spa is offering a 2-for-1 dinner or brunch special and a 20% hotel room discount for everyone attending this special event. To book your dinner/brunch and room call 630.584.6300. (Limit 2 per person, based on availability.) Make sure to identify yourself as a Rotary member.

RSVP to [info@noblefool.org](mailto:info@noblefool.org) by 29 July 2005.



## Continuity and change will coexist in new Rotary year, Stenhammar says

By Vukoni Lupa-Lasaga  
Rotary International News



1 July 2005

Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar, the first RI president of Rotary's second century, took office on 1 July, against the backdrop of a successful centennial year marked by worldwide celebrations of the ideals and initiatives that have driven the organization's expansion into 168 countries.

Going back to the basics, Stenhammar said, can help clubs and districts embrace the challenge and opportunity presented by Rotary's motto, Service Above Self, which also is the 2005-06 RI theme.

The new RI president called upon Rotarians to join him in continuing to sponsor projects based on the presidential emphases of education and literacy and water, hunger, and health concerns, as well as those directed at public image.

"I believe in continuity," he told RI News in a 30 June interview. "Past presidents Majiyagbe and Estess have both been involved in literacy and education, and then President Estess added water. Monica and I have always discussed at home what is most important for a human being to live a decent life. I said literacy, and she said water. I think both are dependent on one another. To me, it was very natural to continue these emphases."

Noting that the United Nations, a longtime partner of Rotary, has chosen water and literacy as part of its goals through 2015, Stenhammar said that clubs and districts can achieve much more if they cooperate with other organizations.

"I also believe in cooperation, because all of the emphases that we

work with are so huge that we cannot as an organization do it ourselves. We cannot do it overnight," he said. "So if we can work with others like we've done with PolioPlus and the United Nations, over time, we can achieve much more together. It's a big puzzle, and we have to see to it that our piece in that puzzle becomes as large as possible."

Stenhammar emphasized that Rotary's top priority is still "to finish our PolioPlus [program]. It may take a little longer than we had expected, but we will do it." He also encouraged clubs and districts to invest in the future and reach out to the new generation through increased sponsorship of the Youth Exchange program.

At the new RI president's initiative, The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International starts a new century of service with its first female trustee, Carolyn E. Jones, of Anchorage, Alaska, USA. Believing that involving women at all levels of Rotary leadership makes good business sense, he also has appointed female Rotarians to chair the Membership Development and Retention Committee, Literacy Resource Group, and Public Image Resource Group.

In place of the traditional RI presidential conferences, Stenhammar plans to visit with Rotarians at a series of intercity Rotary club meetings.

A food broker, Stenhammar is the former owner of Gust. F. Bratt AB and has been a member of the boards of several companies and chair of the board of a local private school. A Rotarian since 1974, he is a member of the Rotary Club of Göteborg, Sweden. Stenhammar has served RI as district governor, committee member and chair, task force general coordinator, and director.

Also assuming office on 1 July were Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Frank J. Devlyn, of the Rotary Club of Anáhuac, D.F., Mexico; RI Vice President Serge Gouteyron, of the Rotary Club of Denain-Bouchain, Nord, France; and RI Treasurer Jocelyn I. Bolante, of the Rotary Club of Parañaque South, Metro Manila, Philippines.

## District 6450 Calendar of Events TAKE NOTE, MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2005

- 15 July** Ambassadorial Scholar Applications Due  
**12-13 August** Ambassadorial Scholar Interviews  
**27 August** Interviews for GSE Team Leader  
**1 October** Interviews for GSE Team members  
**14-16 October** RYLA Weekend  
Williams Bay, Wisconsin  
**5 November** District Foundation Seminar

2006

- 24-26 March** PETS  
**5-7 May** District 6450 Conference  
Lake Lawn Lodge, Delavan, WI

District 6450 website: [www.rotary6450.org](http://www.rotary6450.org)

### From the Editor's Desk

Thank you to all the Rotarians who made this, my first issue possible, including "retired" editor Lou Volodka and Donna Thiernau.

We've just begun a new Rotary year. Is your club planning something extraordinary? **Please share any activities your club is conducting and any thoughts with this newsletter.**

**This is your newsletter! Take advantage of the opportunity to let your club's voice be heard!**

*Clint Johnson, editor*

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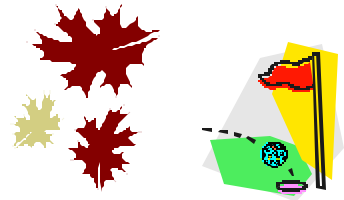


# DISTRICT 6450 ANNUAL GOLF OUTING REGISTRATION FORM

(If you have a Rotary golf shirt, please wear it.)



**DATE: MONDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2005**  
**REGISTRATION: 9:00 a.m.**  
**GOLF TIME: 10:00 a.m. Modified Shotgun Start**  
**PLACE: Prairie Bluff Golf Course**  
**19433 Renwick Rd. In Lockport, IL.**

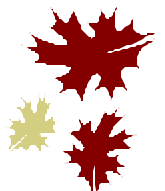


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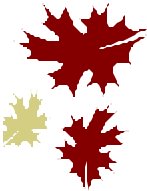
**COST:  
\$100.00 PER  
GOLFER**

**Please check one box per team**

**Competitive Event:** for serious golfers—your 4-person team will compete in a modified scramble format for traveling trophy. Team will be playing in 2-somes with a different Rotary club. Lowest hole scores of each card will be combined at the end of the round. All players must be members of registering club.



**Recreational Event:** for golfers who just want to have fun; a traditional 4-person team scramble event. Non-Rotarians welcome for recreational golf.



**CLUB NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**GOLFERS NAMES:**

**Include  
email address!**

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**R.S.V.P. BY 13 September 2005**  
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