



RIB

January 10, 2006

The Rotary Club of Bloomington Noon

Weekly Meetings

**12 noon
Tuesdays
Thunderbird
Hotel**

Mission

An organization of leaders working together to make a difference in our community and the world.

The Rotary Club of Bloomington Noon

President: John Swaney
Pres Elect: Diann Kirby
Vice Pres: Don Stiles
Secretary: Karyn Arazi
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Carol Hoeft, Adam
Johnston, Carolyn Pratt,
Dave Senness, Laura
Bjorgo, Dave Walock

Next Week's Program

Meals on Wheels

**Gideon Pond Center, 9889 Penn Avenue
North Entrance, arrive by 11:15 AM**



Rotary members will again deliver Meals on Wheels, Tuesday, January 17th. Meals on Wheels is a community program providing hot lunchtime meals to shut-ins during the week. Shut-ins and seniors who find it hard to cook for themselves for whatever reason can order a hot meal at a minimal cost. Volunteers help to deliver the meals.

Our club will need over 16 teams to cover the routes. Bloomington Meals on Wheels is now located in the new North addition to the Gideon Pond Center at 99th and Penn Avenue South. Come to the North entrance, utility driveway leading under the building. Parking is very limited. Carpool or use Creekside parking lot and walk in. There will be signs posted. **Arrive early between 11:00 and 11:15 AM** to pick up insulated meal carriers and partner with another Rotarian to make about five or six deliveries to homebound clients. We will return to Gideon Pond for our own meal. Contact Persons: Wally Neal (952) 884-1632, Neil Peterson (952) 941-1822 or Jim Mortenson (952) 882-2531

This Week's Program

Minnesota National Guard

Guest: Major General Larry Shellito

Citizen Soldiers and Airmen – Heroes from Within are the terms used by Major General Larry Shellito to describe the men and women of the Minnesota National Guard. With a mission to assist citizens in Minnesota during emergencies, our National Guard boasts 12,940 members who make up two Air Wings and the 34th Infantry Division.

Normally under the direction of the Governor of the state, the severity of the events of September 11th, 2001, caused the President to activate National Guard units from around the United States. Minnesota has mobilized 11,565 troops since then. Our troops are engaged world wide in 30 countries within Europe, the Middle East, Central America, Antarctica, North America, and the Indian Ocean.

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January Birthdays

- 2 Marcy Gerdin
- 2 Adam Johnston
- 8 Wally Neal
- 16 Arlene Axelson
- 18 Paul Jorgensen
- 19 Dana House
- 27 Dick Russell

January Anniversaries

- 1 Marty Chorzempa, 1yr
- 1 Dick Herberg, 16 yrs
- 1 Paul Jorgensen, 40 yrs
- 1 Dick Russell, 35 yrs
- 1 Dick Smith, 23 yrs
- 5 Chris Schadow, 18 yrs
- 5 Ed Vogt, 13 yrs
- 11 Nick Basil, 23 yrs
- 11 Jack Carlson, 34 yrs
- 16 Mike Fewer, 16 yrs
- 16 John Houle, 16 yrs
- 18 Tim Culver, 1 yr
- 26 Lee Helms, 18 yrs
- 28 Larry Lee, 14 yrs

Greeter Schedule

- Jan 10: Gary Prest
- Jan 17: Meals on Wheels
- Jan 24: Skipp Saaf
- Jan 31: Tim Culver
- Feb 7: Mark Bosch
- Feb 14: Dave Senness
- Feb 21: Adam Johnston
- Feb 28:
- Mar 7: Don Stiles
- Mar 14: David Pederson

**This week's program continued:
Minnesota National Guard**

At any given time, only 3,000 (25%) of our troops have been engaged overseas. The remainder of our troops are here serving in their normal weekend and summer training and assisting citizens of Minnesota wherever needed. Examples of the areas our troops assist us at home are: floods, brush fires, missing people searches, national emergencies like Katrina, and community missions where our troops volunteer, giving back to their own community. Our troops volunteered over 34,000 hours in 2004.



MN National Guardsman
Spc. Michael Fossnes

Minnesotans support our National Guard in many ways. Citizens donate freely to the First Lady Family Care Initiative and the Military Family Foundation. These organizations assure that the needs of family left back here at home are met. Governor Pawlenty has been at each deployment to show support of the work our Guard members are doing.

The greatest majority (96%) of the budget for the National Guard comes from the Federal Government, \$305Million, with only 4%, \$17Million, coming from the State budget. Minnesota is #1 in recruiting and retention of troops. Our troops are generally from the ages of 17 to 24 and are usually in the top 30% of our population as they must be high school grads, pass mental and physical tests, have no criminal record, drug or psychological issues. Overall, 16% of our troops are female. The equipment that we provide our troops is state of the art and is sent overseas with them when they are deployed. Unfortunately, very little of the equipment returns home with them, rather it is left in theater for others to use.

We can be very proud of our troops. They serve us well!

STRIVE

MN Supreme Court Justice Alan Page visits STRIVE January 25, 7:45 AM Kennedy High School

Minnesota Supreme Court Justice (and former Viking "Purple People Eater") Alan Page will speak to our STRIVE students at Kennedy High School on Wednesday January 25. All Rotarians are invited for this special event which will begin at 7:45 AM and end no later than 9:00 AM. See Page 6 RIB for an agenda.

After speaking to STRIVE for 30 minutes, Justice Page will then address the entire Junior and Senior student bodies in the Kennedy Auditorium. Since parking may be limited, **please call Don Stiles (952-941-7380) for instructions on where to park if you plan to attend this event.** Kennedy High School is located on the NE corner of Nicollet Avenue and Old Shakopee Road (about 98th Street).

Bloomington Rotary
Youth Exchange

Youth Exchange
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Rays of Sunshine

Gary Prest, Minnesota 2006 Superintendent of the Year, will be honored at a celebration at Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road. All Rotarians are invited to attend. Tuesday, January 24, 4:00 to 6:00 PM, program at 5:00. Please RSVP to (952) 681-6403. See page 5 RIB for formal invitation.

Dick Herberg announced the arrival of his 5th grandchild born to his oldest daughter, Beth: Brady Stephen Nelson, 7 lbs, 14 oz. Grandchildren are a great blessing from God.

Carolyn Pratt will be presenting patriotic and civil rights inspired songs for the Minneapolis South Rotary Club's Martin Luther King Day Celebration on Sunday, January 15th. An invitation was posted in last week's RIB. All Rotarians are invited.

Guests and Visitors

Rotarian Bob Stehlik, Edina Noon, Banking

GiGi Brecht, Board approved for Membership, Guest of Diann Kirby

Sandhya Gupta, Board approved for Membership, Guest of John Houle

Brian Thole, Guest of Dan Jordan, Oakdale, Police Officer

John Wenthold, Guest of Jack Bouquet, Bloomington, Commercial Real Estate

Membership

Welcome to our two newest members: **Dan Jordan and Colin Evenson**. The Board of Directors at its meeting Tuesday, January 10th, approved the following for membership:

Gigi Brecht, Sponsor: Diann Kirby, Classification: Commercial Insurance

Sandhya Gupta, Sponsor: John Houle, Classification: Electrical Engineer

The goal for membership this year is an **increase of three**, bringing our total membership to 88. To obtain this goal, the Club's Board has approved covering the cost of the lunch meal for one potential Rotarian guest per quarter for each rotary member. Our programming is excellent. Let's invite our friends and associates to experience one or more of our programs. As there is a very strong relationship between prospective members who attend our meetings and applications for membership in our Club, we should take advantage of the Club's offer and invite as many guests as possible to our meetings.

**Let's be an inviting club!
Give the gift of Rotary.**

The 4-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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Camp Enterprise

Bloomington Noon Rotary sponsored two Kennedy High School students to attend an Economics and Business Leadership weekend camp in October, 2005. We received notes of appreciation from both of our students:

Heather Malphie, "I learned a lot about ...business management...I definitely recommend this for anyone interested in the business world."

Ryan Sutherland, "I just wanted to thank you very much for allowing me to be in this great experience. I learned so much and became very inspired."

Upcoming Meetings

January 17: **Meals on Wheels – Gideon Pond Center, arrive early 11:15 AM**

January 24: **Critical Incident Stress Management**, Guest Sue Johnston

January 31: **Residential Care for Those with Memory Loss**, Guest Cathy Clairmont

February 7: **President Teddy Roosevelt**

March 7: **Park Nicollet Heart and Vascular Center Vocational Visit**

Calendar of Events

January 24: Celebrate **Superintendent of the Year – Gary Prest**, see page 5 RIB

January 25: **Justice Alan Page** to visit **STRIVE** – see page 6 RIB

April 21-22: **District 5950 Conference**, Airport Hilton, Bloomington

April 28: **Annual Wheel and Crown Social and New Member Orientation**

June 11-14: **Rotary International Convention**, Malmo/Copenhagen Register at:

<http://www.rotary.org/events/conventions/malmo-copenhagen/index.html>

Housing at: <http://www.congresscopenhagen.dk/>

Rotary Information

Bloomington Noon Rotary
www.bloomingtonrotarymn.org

Rotary International
www.rotary.org

Rotary District 5950
www.rotary5950.org

Meeting Make-ups
http://www.rotary5950.org/where_meet.html

Rotary on Bloomington Cable, Channel 14:
BILL FRENZEL

Friday, January 13, 2006 10:30 PM

Saturday, January 14, 2006 4:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 4:30 PM, 7:00 PM

Sunday, January 15, 2006 1:00 AM, 7:00 AM, 1:00 PM



P u b l i c S c h o o l s

2006 Minnesota Superintendent of the Year

*The Bloomington Public Schools request
the honor of your presence
in celebration of the selection of*

Gary S. Prest, Ed. D.

Superintendent of the Bloomington Public Schools

as

2006 Minnesota Superintendent of the Year

Tuesday, January 24th, 2006

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Program at 5:00 p.m.

Bloomington Civic Plaza

1800 West Old Shakopee Road

Bloomington, Minnesota 55431

Please respond if you plan to attend: 952-681-6403 or by e-mail to cdufour@bloomington.k12.mn.us.

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and the City of Bloomington. Hosted by the Bloomington Board of Education.*

Justice Alan Page
January 25, 2006
Bloomington Kennedy High School
Agenda

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| 7:45 AM | STRIVE Students arrive in Beacon Room |
| 8:00 – 8:30 | Justice Page arrives; speaks to students about “Success” |
| 8:20 – 8:35 | Junior and Senior classes assemble in Auditorium |
| 8:30 – 8:35 | Justice Page and STRIVE Students walk to Auditorium |
| 8:35 | Principal Ron Simmons introduces Justice Page |
| 8:40 – 8:55 | Justice Page speaks to assembled Juniors and Seniors |
| 8:55 – 9:00 | Time for questions from students |
| 9:00 | Adjourn |

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