



# RIB

May 21, 2007

**The Rotary Club of Bloomington Noon**

### Weekly Meetings

12:00 Noon

Mondays

Airport Hilton  
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: Diann Kirby  
Pres Elect: Don Stiles  
Vice Pres: Carolyn Pratt  
Secretary: Karyn Arazi  
Treasurer: Brett McMahon  
Past Pres: John Swaney  
Dist Gov: Rod Shilkrot  
Sgt in Arms: Rick Sitek  
Exec Sec: Kathy Koehler  
Directors: Adam Johnston, Dave Senness, Lori Nelson, Mark Bosch, LuAnn Paulet, Mark Bellestri, Laura Bjorgo, Terry Stirewalt, and Dave Walock

**No meeting, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Next Program-June 4<sup>th</sup>**

**"Stroke and TIA Recognition" Guest: Sandra Hanson, M.D., Park Nicollet Health Services**



Sandra Hanson, M.D., is a Neurologist with Park Nicollet Clinic with a practice concentrated in the problem of cerebrovascular disease or stroke. She attended the University of Minnesota Medical School and completed residency training in Neurology with a fellowship in Cerebrovascular disease at the University of Texas in Houston. Her practice focuses on early intervention for the stroke victim. At Methodist Hospital, she has had a leadership role in the development of the Stroke Unit, Stroke Code team development, and more recently Telectroke, a project that brings a higher level of early stroke care to our rural hospitals. Her discussion will center on the importance of early recognition of stroke and the treatment and evaluation of stroke in those early hours when it really matters.

## This Week's Program

**"SkillsUSA" Team, Kennedy High School**

**Guests: Kevin Chederquist & the 2007 team**

SkillsUSA students at Kennedy High School have taken first place for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row in the SkillsUSA competition. Under the leadership of Kevin Chederquist, Dean of Students at Kennedy High School, the SkillsUSA Team presented their competition performance for our club. Rotarians assisted them by critiquing the presentation to help them to improve their skills.

Founded in 1965, SkillsUSA is a national student organization serving students enrolled in career and technical education training programs at our nation's public high schools and colleges. Its mission is to help its members become world-class workers and responsible American citizens.

With approximately 13,000 school chapters in 54 state and territorial associations, SkillsUSA serves more than 279,000 students annually.



**May Birthdays**

- 04 Dick Young
- 06 Dave Shaw
- 12 Steve Wirth
- 27 Kathi Hiyane-Brown
- 29 Tom Arnold, MD

**May Anniversaries**

- 01 Phyllis Karasov 14 yrs
- 01 Jim Mortenson 14 yrs
- 02 Rick Sitek 18 yrs
- 17 Rod Axtell 2 yrs
- 18 Dana House 3 yrs
- 24 Mike Brunkow 2 yrs
- 25 Dave Shaw 3 yrs

**Greeter Schedule**

- May 28: NO MEETING
- June 4: Ken Nordlie
- June 11: Skipp Saaf
- June 18: Dave Senness
- June 25: Jay Stevens
- July 2: Jim Lucas
- July 9: David Pederson

## Charitable Partners - VEAP



**Rotarian Susan Freeman**, Executive Director of VEAP, accepted a \$4,000 check today for the VEAP Back to School Program. These funds were raised through our 2006 Harold Larson Party. VEAP has been providing school supplies for children from low-income families since 1985. The grant from Bloomington Rotary Foundation will help support this program. VEAP tries to give one Backpack and one \$15.00 gift certificate to each child. Our dollars will be added to other donations to guarantee that each child can receive both. At the Rotary vocational visit in August VEAP will provide a demonstration of the program.

VEAP (Volunteers Enlisted to Assist People) is neighbors serving neighbors in need, improving the lives of people in the community. VEAP strives to provide financial, emotional, and physical support to low-income individuals and families living in our community.

## Sunshine

Pictured here is **Rotarian Susan Freeman**, receiving the Bloomington Daymakers' "Service Above Self" annual award from Past President Debby Belfry for Susan's service to others through VEAP for over 30 years. Susan was honored at their May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.



## Guests and Visitors

**Bob Murphy**, guest of Mike Fewer

We welcomed back **Lloyd Bergquist**, former Bloomington Rotarian.

And, **Dan Barnett**, who has been away from meetings most of the year.

## Name That Rotarian

Today's Rotarian came to us from North Dakota. He was born in Fargo, but grew up in Bismarck. He reached the rank of Eagle Scout in his boyhood years. He went on to earn a BS in business administration from North Dakota State University, but his most notable achievement there was being a three-time All-American high jumper. This Rotarian moved to the Twin Cities in 1995 to "enjoy city life." He is currently a certified financial advisor with Ameriprise. He joined Bloomington Rotary in 2002, and quickly became known to all members as our Mr. Sunshine.

**Is it?**

- a) Dan Jordan
  - b) Charlie Pokladnik
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- c) Adam Bengtson
- d) Jack Carlson

**Election of  
Officers and  
Board of  
Directors  
2007-2008**

The following  
Rotarians were on  
the Ballot today for  
Officers and Board  
for the 2007-2008  
Rotary Year:

**President:**  
Don Stiles

**President-Elect:**  
Carolyn Pratt

**Vice President:**  
Adam Johnston

**Secretary-  
Treasurer:** Brett  
McMahon

**Sergeant-at-Arms:**  
Brian Emerson

**Director 2007-2008:**  
Phyllis Karasov

**Directors  
2007-2010:**  
Karyn Arazi  
Colin Evenson  
Ken Nordlie

**Results will be  
announced at the  
June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

## President's Column

Diann Kirby –

One of the highlights of my year as president was meeting Rotary International President Bill Boyd and his wife Lorna at the RI Convention in Copenhagen. Now another highlight is seeing our club qualify for a Presidential Citation from President Boyd. The citation honors clubs who "Lead the Way" by being actively involved in the Four Avenues of Service. "There are many reasons to join Rotary," said President Boyd. "But those who stay — and succeed — are overwhelmingly those who come to our clubs seeking fellowship and service."

Rotary clubs were eligible for the award if they undertook projects in each of the Four Avenues of Service and increased membership by April 1. Bloomington Noon is one of just 16 clubs in District 5950 to qualify for a Presidential Citation this year out of a total of 62 clubs. More importantly, the award recognizes Bloomington Noon Rotary Club's commitment to accomplishing extraordinary things this year. My thanks to you for all your work on behalf of Rotary this year — you've made me proud!

**Extraordinary people doing extraordinary things!**

## STRIVE Banquet – May 31<sup>st</sup>

Thursday, May 31, 2007

Airport Hilton

Social - 6:00 PM, Dinner - 6:30 PM

STRIVE scholarships will be awarded next Thursday at the STRIVE Recognition Banquet. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your congratulations with these worthy students. The banquet will celebrate the success of twenty-one students who completed the STRIVE year. Their average GPA rose from 6.2 overall to 6.4 overall, quite an achievement as the GPA reflects all four years of their high school career.

**Contact: Don Stiles**

*Pictured here is Dave Peterson  
working with STRIVE students.*



*RI President Bill Boyd, his  
wife Lorna pictured with club  
President Diann Kirby*



### 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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## Upcoming Meetings

May 28: **NO MEETING** - MEMORIAL DAY

June 4: **“Stroke and TIA Recognition-Current Status and Justification Education”** Guest: Dr. Sandra Hanson, Park Nicollet Health Services

June 11: **“Industry & Trade in China – Bob & Larry’s Adventure”** Guest: Lawrence A. Pobuda, Stewart Lawrence Group

June 18: **“Club Awards Day & Mahendra Nath Rotary Foundation Challenge Celebration”** Guests: DG Rod Shilkrot and Dick Ramberg

June 25: **“My Trip to Thailand”** Group Study Exchange, Guest: Becky Cahn, Donaldson Corporation, member of GSE team from Minnesota to Thailand

## Calendar of Events

**May 31: STRIVE Banquet**, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Hilton Hotel, All Rotarians invited!

**June 12: TWINS GAME**, 7:10 PM Tickets: e-mail Brian Emerson at [bje@mriloan.com](mailto:bje@mriloan.com)

**June 17-20, 2007: RI Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah**

**June 18: Bloomington Noon Annual Awards Day**

**August 6: Vocational Visit to VEAP**

## Rotary Information

**Bloomington Noon Rotary**  
[www.bloomingtonrotarymn.org](http://www.bloomingtonrotarymn.org)

**Rotary International**  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

**Rotary District 5950**  
[www.rotary5950.org](http://www.rotary5950.org)

**Meeting Make-ups**  
[http://www.rotary5950.org/where\\_meet.html](http://www.rotary5950.org/where_meet.html)

**Safe Water Plus Web Site**  
[www.safewaterplus.org](http://www.safewaterplus.org)

**Rotary on Bloomington Cable, Channel 14:**  
**“Temple Israel Cantor Barry Abelson”**

Tuesday, May 29, 2007 10:15 PM

Wednesday, May 30, 2007 4:15 AM, 10:15 AM, 4:15 PM

Thursday, May 31, 2007 9:35 PM

Friday, June 1, 2007 3:35 AM, 9:35 AM, 3:35 PM

**Name That Rotarian:**  
**(b) Charlie Pokladnik**