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August 21, 2006

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

Next Week's Program Pack to School – Community Service



We will gather in the Riverside Room for lunch on the main floor, near the East Entrance of the Hilton Hotel. Then move to our regular room (Woodlands) to prepare the 125 Back Packs/Folders for students in our Bloomington Schools. This annual community service project serves students in two of our most diverse schools: Indian Mounds Elementary and Valley View Middle School.

The club has almost fully subscribed to the purchase of the packs... just a few more are needed. Please consider a \$25.00 donation to purchase one pack. The club also needs volunteers to deliver the packs to the two schools after our meeting next Monday. If you are available, let Dave Walock (dwalock@borson.com) know.

This Week's Program The 934th Airlift Wing Tour Vocational Visit



Known as the "Flying Vikings", the 934th Airlift Wing's mission is to fly support for military actions around the world transporting both people and equipment. The C-130 airplane is their basic aircraft with a squadron of eight on the base. Actions such as security to national leaders and set up of evacuation services to military operations are two examples of everyday activities.

It takes 1500 people to operate the services they provide with 90% of them true reservists. The base houses the Air Force Reserve as well as Navy, Marine Corps, and Army facilities. There are over 7000 military people serving in our local area. Our bus tour took us around the base ending with a walk on tour of a C-130 aircraft. First manufactured in 1953, this aircraft is still being built today and is capable of transporting as large a payload as a 42,000 lb tank. It normally flies at an altitude of 1200 feet and can land on a cement roadway or a gravel airstrip.

August Birthdays

- 08 Abdel Abdelwahed
- 12 Jim Mortensen
- 12 Dave Senness
- 17 Chris Schadow
- 24 Kathy Koehler
- 25 Mike Fewer
- 27 Marty Chorzempa
- 29 Dave Pederson

August Anniversaries

- 17 Diann Kirby 7 yrs
- 28 Wally Neal 22 yrs

Greeter Schedule

- Aug 7: Jay Stevens
- Aug 14: Ken Nordlie
- Aug 21: David Pederson
- August 28: Terry Stirewalt
- Sept. 4: NO MEETING
- Sept. 11: Tim Culver
- Sept. 18: Bernie Bryant
- Sept. 25: Mark Bosch
- Oct. 2: Jim Truax
- Oct. 9: Brian Emerson
- Oct. 16: Milo Engelstad

This week continued: 934th Airlift Wing

Col. Steve DeWerff, Vice Commander of the 934th Airlift Wing welcomed us to the Minneapolis-St Paul Air Reserve Station grounds and Lt. Col. Marge McGlinn, Chief of Public Affairs, was our on-site guide. We thank them for a truly educational and fascinating tour.

Visitors and Guests

Becky Amble brought her son Alex.

Sarit Sharma, spouse of **Sandyha Gupta**.

Rotarian Brigadier General Denny Shulstad, Edina Rotary, Guest of **John Swaney** and the 1st Honorary Flying Viking to be named by the 934th Airlift Wing.

Remembering Charlie Zahn

A Farewell to **Charlie Zahn**...

A St. Paul native, Charlie attended Macalester College, then served in the Navy during WWII, where he was stationed in Guam for one-and-a-half years. Following the service, Charlie worked for 50 years at FMS, the largest sign supply manufacturer in the country. At retirement, he was vice president and plant manager for the Bloomington-based company.

Charlie's Rotary career started with his induction on June 1, 1978, classification: Powdered Metallurgy. He held a number of positions on the board of directors, culminating in President in 1983-84. Charlie's outstanding contributions to the club earned him many awards. Last year, in honor of Charlie's retirement, a group of Bloomington Rotarians saluted him by wearing his favorite neckwear: the bowtie (see photo.) "Charlie's spontaneous wit and keen insight were the sparkplug that made meetings more meaningful and memorable," said Ed Vogt.

Jackie and Charlie were married for 56 years. He was a proud parent of six children, and always enjoyed the company of their 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Jackie shared that Charlie died peacefully with his family around him at home on Thursday evening, August 17th of a brain hemorrhage. Donations can be made to the Rotary International Foundation: Polio Plus. Jackie and Charlie were both Paul Harris Fellows.

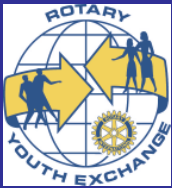
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**Bloomington
Rotary Youth
Exchange**

**Youth Exchange
Officer:
Mark Bellestri
(612) 481-0406**



Call for HELP!

The Youth Exchange program is in need of one or two interested volunteers willing to assist in the youth exchange program. Contact Mark Bellestri.

Club Goal: to send 1 outbound and sponsor 2 inbound students.

Rotarian family members can now participate in Youth Exchange. Do you know a youth who would make a good ambassador for the USA? Invite that promising student to apply.

Sunshine

New Arrival! **Adam Johnston** and wife Lori are proud to announce the birth of Arianna Jill-Rosemary Johnston. She was born at 10:46 AM on August 21st, weighing in at 8 lbs and 20" long. Lori and Arianna are doing well. Adam can't stop smiling!



Jeff Andrews was unable to join us at our last meeting as he and his wife were at the doctor's office having an ultrasound to find out if they are having a boy or a girl. Congratulations, Jeff.

Linda Jewell spent two days in the hospital while in Vail as she was developing blood clots. The doctors have her on two blood thinners. Now, she is going through two months of very potent chemo (August and September) and is concerned about how she will react. She is experiencing weakness and nausea and needs our prayers, but is keeping up her beautiful, positive attitude. **Linda, we are thinking about you each day.**

Membership

Membership growth is the responsibility of each of us! This is a good time invite prospective members to our meetings. Our vocational visit was phenomenal! Our community service project should be loads of fun.

Please welcome **Dr. Dave Simmer**, Mellin Chiropractic, Dual member with Jae Mellin and **Jeff Andrews**, Mortgage Banker, sponsored by Adam Bengtson. Our two newest members were approved by the Board of Directors for membership last week.

President's Corner

Diann Kirby, President

The news this week of the passing of Charlie Zahn felt like the end of an era. Charlie was truly one of a kind. During his year as president in 1983-84, he became a Paul Harris Fellow, was named Bloomington Rotarian of the Year and was given a Presidential Citation by Rotary International. I knew Charlie in his later years, when age had slowed him down. I'll never forget his ever-present bow-tie, his broad smile and his words of support and encouragement when I entered the club's line of succession. I'm guessing that someday he will be inducted posthumously into Jack Carlson's "Bloomington Rotary Hall of Fame."

Charlie Zahn contributed to the fabric of our club. As his obituary stated, Charlie lived his life by Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self." I invite you to honor his memory by giving the Gift of Rotary to a prospective member. Perhaps they will find Rotary as fulfilling as Charlie did.

Give the Gift of Rotary

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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

August 28: **Pack To School**, join us for our annual event to put together back packs for elementary and middle school students from our schools.

September 4: **No Meeting and No RIB**

September 11: **Learning Through Music**, Ken Freed, Violinist, MN Orchestra

September 18: **Hope for Tomorrow**, Teresa Daly, President, The Prouty Project

TUESDAY, Sept. 26: **Gubernatorial Forum** Pre-registration Required by 9/21

Calendar of Events

August 28: Pack To School, Dave Walock, Coordinator

September 4: NO MEETING

September 25: NO MEETING instead attend a joint meeting with the Chamber on **September 26: Gubernatorial Forum** at the Sheridan Hotel, Bloomington.

October 30: Vocational Visit to the Guthrie with backstage tour at **10:30 AM**

November 10: South Metro Veterans Day Program (Nov 6 – No meeting)

November 18: Harold Larson Party, [Auction Donation Form](#) on Page 5 RIB

April 26-28, 2007: Rotary District 5950 Conference

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:

Diann Kirby, "Rotary International Convention in Copenhagen"

Thursday, August 24, 2006 9:00 PM

Friday, August 25, 2006 3:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM

No Name That Rotarian this week!



ROTARY CLUB OF BLOOMINGTON NOON
District 5950 Rotary International

2006 HAROLD LARSON PARTY and FUND RAISER

Saturday, November 18, 2006
Golden Valley Golf and Country Club

AUCTION DONATION FORM

Item Name: _____
Item Description: _____

Estimated Value: _____

Rotary Contact/Solicitor: _____ **Phone:** _____

Donor Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

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