



# RIB

September 13, 2005

**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

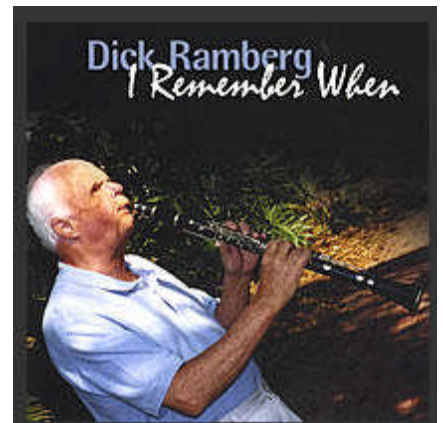
President: John Swaney  
Pres Elect: Diann Kirby  
Vice Pres: Don Stiles  
Secretary: Karyn Arazi  
Treasurer: Brett McMahon  
Past Pres: Larry Lee  
Dist Gov: Dan Barnett  
Sgt in Arms: Rick Sitek  
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Directors: Marcia Gerdin,  
Carol Hoeft, Adam  
Johnston, Carolyn Pratt,  
Dave Senness, Laura  
Bjorgo, Dave Walock

## Next Week's Program

**Guest: Rotarian Dick Ramberg  
The Man, the Message, and the Music**

Blinded due to childhood retina cancer, Dick Ramberg turned to music, initially studying the piano and then moving to the clarinet. Dick has been a musical performer most of his life and is a member of the Barbary Coast Dixieland Band. In the past, he performed with Doc Evans and other groups. He founded the Upper Mississippi Jazz Band.

Dick has worked as a Financial Advisor with Morgan Stanley. He has served his community on various boards concentrating on assisting persons with disabilities and working to assure our youth have the skills they need to succeed in life. Dick mixes his inspirational message with his amazing music and is sure to entertain us. Don't miss this special program.



## This Week's Program

**Bloomington City Attorney  
Guests: Dave Ornstein**

Bloomington is unique as one of only two Minneapolis suburbs to have a full time legal department in house. Our attorney's make over 11,000 criminal court appearances and review and/or negotiate between 700-800 contracts annually. Critical to Bloomington's growth and planned development, the attorneys have worked on the Bloomington Central Station transit development; land right-of-way for the American Boulevard ring route; airport zoning relative to the new N/S airport runway; and airport noise mitigation with a law suit being prepared against the Metropolitan Airports Commission on behalf of Bloomington.

Dave discussed the Supreme Court decision relating to eminent domain. In Dave's opinion, it is not a departure from precedent and will not allow just any taking of property. Dave feels the criteria required for eminent domain to prevail are still quite stringent and were present in this case. Significant discussion has been

**September Birthdays**

- 3 Bob Bogen
- 6 Lee Helms
- 12 Dick Smith
- 16 John Swaney
- 19 John Jensvold
- 27 Dave Getsch
- 29 Bonnie Carlson

**September Anniversaries**

- 1 Harold Larson, 38 yrs
- 1 Jae Mellin, 14 yrs
- 15 Milo Engelstad, 44 yrs
- 24 Abul Sarah, 3 yrs
- 28 Mark Bellestri, 1 year
- 30 Dan Barnett, 28 yrs

**Greeter Schedule**

- Sept. 20: LuAnn Baker
- Sept. 27: Wally Neal
- Oct. 4: Don Stiles

**This Week Continued:** sparked at both the Federal and State level and we should expect additional legislation relating to this topic in the near future.

Bloomington's pioneer decision on a smoking ban has not only generated debate on the business and economic impact to local small business, but is raising the added question of whether local government has the right to enact laws stricter than the state. The trend is moving toward state and/or federal bans, but not for several years. This will continue to be a very hot topic in the years to come.

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## **New Member – Dan Jordan**



Dan Jordan, pictured here with his proud mother and father, Carol and Frank Jordan, became our newest Rotarian today. Dan's family ties include a long time relationship with our own Harold Larson. Dan tells some very funny stories about milking cows on the Larson family farm. You will want to ask him about this.

Dan is currently working for Walser Automotive. His classification is Automobile Sales. Having grown up in Bloomington and knowing many local leaders, Dan is modeling his goals after their examples. Dan believes strongly in giving back to his community and is looking forward to the new relationships he will find in Rotary.

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## **Day Chair – Jay Stevens**

When you first meet Jay Stevens, you would never picture bagpipes and a kilt, but Jay is an accomplished bagpiper performing in his southern Minnesota community's local Scottish Marching Band during his high school years. Jay grew up on a Mapleton, MN farm and graduated college from Mankato State.

Jay's vocation is banking, currently manager of People's Bank of Commerce, Bloomington office. His expertise is in commercial lending. Over the years, Jay has worked with National City Bank and Richfield Bank and Trust.



Sixteen years ago, Jay married a St. Paul native, Leona, who is a clinical nurse oncologist. Living in Richfield, they have two daughters, Nathalie and Lauren who keep them busy as a family with music, dance and basketball.

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Bloomington Rotary  
Youth Exchange

Youth Exchange  
Officer: Mark Bellestri  
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2005-2006 Student:  
Leonardo Cordeiro  
(Leo)

Host Family:  
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## Visitors and Guests

Rotarian Bill Myles, Campbellsville, KY, Retired Higher Education

Rotarian Mark Maroney, Eagan, MN, Mortgage Banker

Colin Evenson, Bloomington, MN, Architect, Guest of Dave Walock

Frank and Carol Jordan, Bloomington, MN, Guests of Dan Jordan

Gigi Brecht, Bloomington, MN Accordia

## Volunteer Opportunities

**Harold Larson Party:** Contact: Diann Kirby (952) 563-8818 *Needs* 1) Seek and collect Live and Silent Auction items from local businesses that you frequent. 2) Begin requesting donations toward our fundraiser drawing for a 7-day trip to Tahiti. You received a sample letter to send out. Each Rotarian will be given \$300.00 in tickets to sell. Checks payable to the **Bloomington Rotary Foundation**.

**Strive Program:** Contact: Don Stiles (952) 941-7380 *Need* Sign up and Volunteer to assist as an Instructor, Mentor, Treat Provider, Phone Caller, One-on-One, or for a Career Day Visit. Don is expecting more that 40 students in the program this year.

## Rays of Sunshine

**Katrina Aid: Rotarian Tshue Vang** along with 29 other Hmong community leaders, out of their own pockets, put together enough bottled water and food to fill a semi-trailer truck. A Hmong trucker in Eau Claire donated his truck and time to bring the food and water to a Red Cross station in Baton Rouge. Why? Tsu said, "The American people have been so kind to the Hmong refugees they wanted to help the Katrina victims in their own little way."

**Your Rotary District 5950** encourages all Rotarians to donate through established channels or organizations. Consider the following if you want a rotary connection: District **6200**, Southeast Louisiana: <http://www.rotary6200.org/katrina/index.cfm> District **6820**, Mississippi: Rotary Katrina Fund, Bill Simmons, District Treasurer, 627 Sherwood Road, Starkville, MS 39759 Information: [bsfoster@ra.msstate.edu](mailto:bsfoster@ra.msstate.edu) District **5890**, Greater Houston, TX <http://www.rotary5890.org>

**Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, is the 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the Bloomington Rotary, Happy Birthday!**

**Milo and Ruth Engelstad** will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations!

### 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

September 27: **Joint meeting with Golden Valley Rotary Club, GVGCC**

October 4: **District 5950 Governor Guest: Dan Barnett**

October 11: **RI President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar**

October 18: **Open – to be determined**

October 25: **Vocational Visit at Underwater World – Mall of America**

November 1: **Guest: Max Urban Hedberg, President Bloomington IKEA**

November 8: **NO MEETING**, attend the Southwest Veterans Day Luncheon

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## Calendar of Events

November 11: **Southwest Veterans Day Luncheon**, Minnetonka Marriott

November 19: **Harold Larson Party**, Golden Valley Golf & Country Club, GVGCC

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## 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)

### Rotary on Bloomington Cable, Channel 14:

#### STRIVE Banquet – Bloomington Noon Rotary

Sunday September 18: 7:00 P.M.

Monday September 19: 1:00 A.M., 7:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M.

#### Steve St.Martin & Jim Goodermont – History of Bloomington

Friday September 16: 10:30 P.M.

Saturday September 17: 4:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 4:30 P.M., 7:00 P.M.

Sunday September 18: 1:00 A.M., 7:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M.

#### Congressman Jim Ramstad – Third District Update

Tuesday September 20: 10:30 P.M.

Wednesday September 21: 4:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 4:30 P.M.