



RIB

September 20, 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
Exec Sec: Kathy Koehler
Directors: Marcia Gerdin, Carol Hoeft, Adam Johnston, Carolyn Pratt, Dave Senness, Laura Bjorgo, Dave Walock

Next Week's Program

**Director of Athletics, University of Minnesota
Guest: Joel Maturi**

In just three years as Director of Athletics at the U of M, Joel Maturi has developed the Golden Gopher athletic department into one of the elite programs in the country while maintaining a vision for a bright future. This past year, Maturi was instrumental in getting Gopher football one step closer to returning to campus when Twin Cities Federal agreed to a \$35 Million corporate sponsorship, the largest corporate sponsorship of its kind involving college football.



Maturi has led a department that has produced 412 Big Ten All-Academic selections the past two years, the highest two-year total in the history of athletics at Minnesota. Over 50 percent of Gopher student-athletes maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Since Maturi's arrival, more than 20 Gopher student-athletes have earned Academic All American honors. Outstanding achievements!

Don't miss our joint meeting with the Golden Valley Rotary Club at the Golden Valley Golf and Country Club for this informative program. **See page 6 of the RIB for Address, Map and Directions!**

This Week's Program

**The Man, The Message, & The Music
Guest: Dick Ramberg**

Ending his program by hitting the highest note possible on the clarinet, Dick Ramberg sent us out the door tapping our toes and singing. Pictured here with his wife Shirley, Dick brought an inspiring message of hope even in the face of terrible uncertainty as he shared his personal journey to overcome the handicap of blindness and capitalize on his musical talent. With a great sense of humor, Dick told stories of his cane catching in a grate in the roadway and flipping over a bridge disappearing



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 Sharah, 3 yrs
- 28 Mark Bellestri, 1 year
- 30 Dan Barnett, 28 yrs

Greeter Schedule

- Sept. 27: Wally Neal
- Oct. 4: Don Stiles

This Week Continued: totally from his grasp; and of a time on stage while playing, where a section of his clarinet keys just fell off the clarinet.

Playing along with the recorded rhythms of three tunes from his most recent CD (“cheaper than hiring a band”), Dick thoroughly entertained us with his flying fingers and crystal clear notes of “*There’ll be Some Changes Made*”, his lilting strains of “*LaPetite Fleur*”, and the dichotomy of a melodic rendition of “*Just a Closer Walk with Thee*” juxtaposed with his personally jazzed up version. Visit his web site www.dickramberg.com to find out more.

Day Chair – Lori Nelson

A “premie” at birth, Lori Nelson made up for it in spades. Lori grew up in greater Minnesota, eventually coming to Hamline University to receive her JD degree in law. Lori worked with the Minnesota Legislature and a Court of Appeals judge before she was hired as the Heartland Regional Director for the National Parks Conservation Association which has led to her present position as Executive Director of Friends of the Minnesota Valley.

Lori is an accomplished musician, playing the piano, alto sax, organ, and acoustic guitar. She likes to swim, sail, ride horseback, play tennis, read, write, and cook. She dreams of travel to Alaska and abroad, as well as wanting to fly and scuba dive. She lives her words of wisdom. “Believe in Yourself” and “Persistence pays off!”



Visitors and Guests

Rotarian Sandy Seibert, Iowa City, IA, Associations -- Presented her club flag.

Rotarian Joel Jennings, Edina, MN, Sporting Goods

Rotarian Debbie Belfry, Daymakers Bloomington, MN, Bloomington Schools

Rotarian Bob Hosch, Eagan, MN, Mechanical Contracting

Rotarian Carole Carlson, Brooklyn Park, MN, Hennepin Technical College

Jack and Norma Thatcher, Guests of Carolyn Pratt

Leo Cordeiro, Brazil, Our 2005-06 Youth Exchange Student

Britta Nelson, Edina, MN, Host Mother for Leo, Youth Exchange Program

Erik Juhl, Prior Lake, MN, Information Technician, Guest of Jim Truax

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

Bloomington Rotary
Youth Exchange

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

2005-2006 Student:
Leonardo Cordeiro
(Leo)

Host Family:
Britta & Curtis Nelson
4515 Sedum Lane
Edina, MN 55435

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952-920-9357

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Volunteer Opportunities

2005 Harold Larson Party: Contact: Diann Kirby (952) 563-8818
November 19, 2005

Remember how much fun it was to see Larry "Lee-berace" emcee the 2004 Harold Larson Party in his sparkling tuxedo? More surprises are in store for this year's "fun-raiser" scheduled for Saturday, November 19, at the Golden Valley Golf and Country Club. The event starts with a social and silent auction at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and entertainment at 7:30 p.m.



Knowing that the proceeds will go toward Courage Center and other charitable organizations in the metro area is what makes the event even more fun. Tickets are \$60 per person. Another option is to reserve a table at the gala. Table sponsorships are \$600 for a table of eight or \$750 for a table of ten. They include dinner, wine, raffle tickets, and recognition in the program. Sponsor an entire table, or split one with another member. For more information, contact Don Stiles at DonStiles@mn.rr.com.

Silent and live auction items are being sought for this year's Harold Larson Party. Some of the more popular items from last year included hotel stays, an I-Pod, Timberwolves tickets, sports memorabilia and golf outings. Turn your donations in to Mark Bosch or Dave Walock.

Loaves and Fishes: Contact Susan Freeman
Monday, October 17, 2005

Need: *Sing up to help!*

Shoppers: Noon to 2:00 PM, Three People

Karyn Arazi, Carolyn Pratt, _____

Meal Preparation: 2:00 to 5:00 PM, Five People

Jim McDonald, Adam Johnston, _____, _____, _____

Meal Servers: 5:00 to 7:30 PM (includes clean up), Twelve People

Jim Lucas, John Swaney and family, Lee Helms, Dave Senness, Skipp Saaf,

_____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

Strive Program: Contact: Don Stiles (952) 941-7380
Every Other Wednesday, Kennedy High School, 7:45 AM – 8:25 AM

Need: Sign up and Volunteer to assist as an Instructor, Mentor, Treat Provider, Phone Caller, One-on-One, or for a Career Day Visit. 45 students have signed up for the program this year. You may help at as few as one session, or for all of the sessions, whatever you can spare. Don needs one or two additional volunteers at each session. Your help is important! Upcoming dates: September 28, October 12, October 26, November 9 (Computer Lab).

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**Bloomington Rotary
Committees and
Chairs**

Programs

Jack Carlson

Harold Larson Party

Diann Kirby

Membership

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Adam Johnston

Weekly Greeters

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TRF Fund Raising

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Don Stiles

Pack to School

Dave Walock

Salvation Army Bells

Lee Helms

Meals on Wheels

Wally Neal

Egg Scramble

Tom Truszinski

Loaves and Fishes

Susan Freeman

Basketball Tournament

Dave Senness

Vocational Talks

Adam Johnston

Vocational Visits

Adam Johnston

Camp Enterprize

David Getsch

International Projects

Dave Senness

Youth Exchange

Mark Bellestri

Ambassadorial Scholars

Dick Young

International Fellowships

Dan Barnett

Rays of Sunshine

Rotarian Linda Jewell's mother passed away this past weekend after a long illness. There will be a celebration of her life at Linda's home on October 1, 2005, from 1:00 to 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to visit. Cards may be sent to Linda Jewell, 8332 Norman Creek Trail, Bloomington, MN 55437.

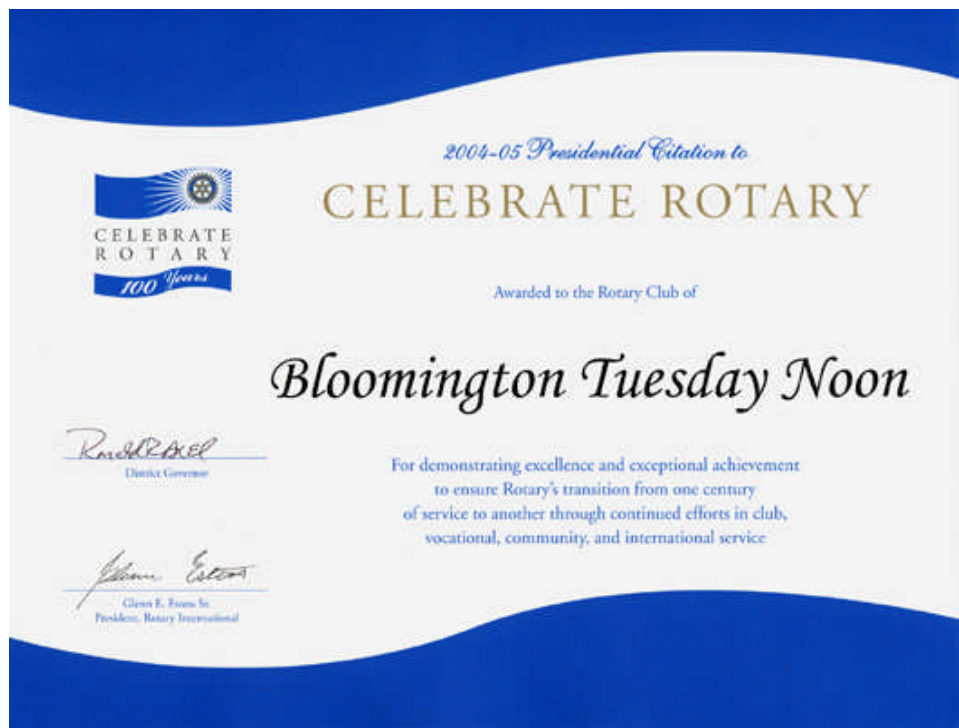
Through the work of **Pete Stiles, Son of Rotarian Don Stiles**, St. Olaf College will be sending a group of students to International Village Clinic, (Abul Sharah's clinic in India), to study and work with the patients.

VEAP wants to thank all the Rotarians who turned out to support their Scramble Benefit this past week: **Adam Johnston, John Houle, Dana House, Ron Marien, Jim Lucas, Rod Axtell, Marty Chorzempa, Jim McDonald, and Susan Freeman**, Executive Director of VEAP, one of our club's Community Partners.

Presidential Citation

Bloomington Tuesday Noon Rotary Club is proud to accept the Presidential Citation from Rotary International President Glenn Estess and District Governor Ron Axel.

The Presidential Citation was a challenge issued by Glenn Estess for overall club excellence based on a number of tests. All of the Board members had a part in demonstrating that Bloomington Tuesday Noon is an excellent club. Larry Lee, 2004-2005 Club President, noted, "I need to especially recognize Ron Marien who jumped through all sorts and sizes of hoops to demonstrate excellence in membership retention and attraction and Mike Fewer and Frank Grazzini who spearheaded the Rotary Foundation giving campaign, pushing our average member giving near \$200.00 per person." Congratulations to the Board and to the entire club!



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

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

Calendar of Events

September 27: **Wheelchair Basketball Night with Courage Center**

Tuesday, 6:00 to 7:30 PM, Bloomington Jeffersn High School

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

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

December 3: **Salvation Army Bell Ringing**, Byerly's, Bloomington

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:

Governor Tim Pawlenty

Monday September 26: 10:30 P.M.

Tuesday September 27: 4:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 4:30 P.M.

Friday September 30: 10:30 P.M.

Congressman Jim Ramstad – Third District Update

Thursday September 22: 9:00 P.M.

Friday September 23: 3:00 A.M., 9:00 A.M., 3:00 P.M.

Directions to GVGCC:

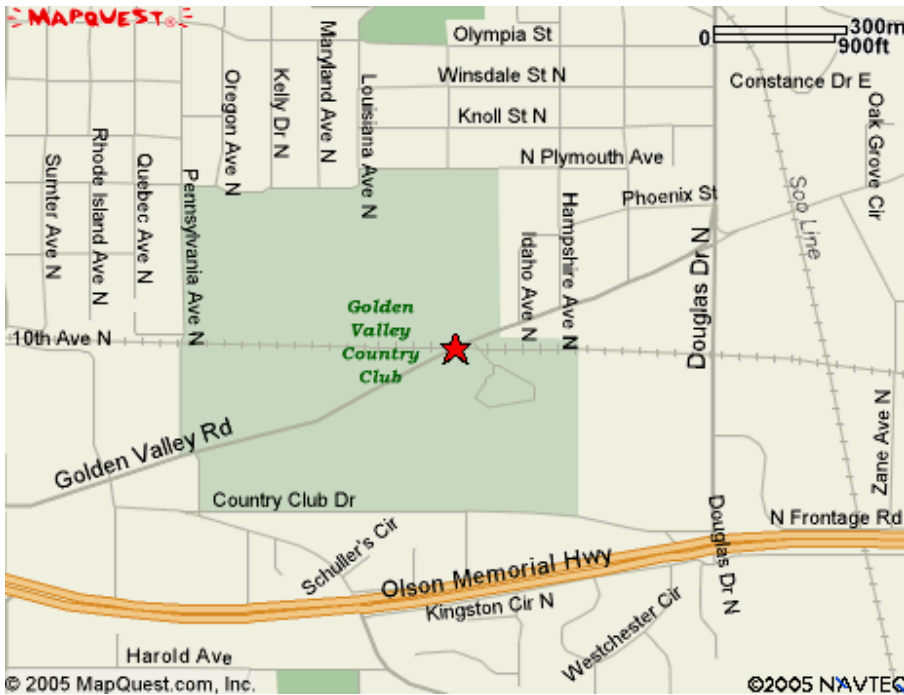
Tuesday, September 27, 2005, 12:00 Noon

Golden Valley Golf and Country Club: 763-732-4100

7001 Golden Valley Rd Golden Valley, MN 55427

-  **1:** From the Thunderbird Hotel, merge onto I-494 W / MN-5 W. 5.3 miles [Map](#)
-  **2:** Merge onto MN-100 N via EXIT 7A. 8.7 miles [Map](#)
-  **3:** Merge onto OLSON MEMORIAL HWY / MN-55 W. 0.7 miles [Map](#)
-  **4:** Turn RIGHT onto DOUGLAS DR N / CR-102. 0.4 miles [Map](#)
-  **5:** Turn LEFT onto GOLDEN VALLEY RD. 0.3 miles [Map](#)
-  **6:** End at **Golden Valley Golf and Country Club**
7001 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427, US [Map](#)

Total Est. Time: 20 minutes **Total Est. Distance:** 15.80 miles



Golf Opportunity:
2:00 Tee Time
Reserve ASAP with John
Swaney (763) 732-4115