



RIB

October 16, 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

"Ten Thousand Villages", Rick Martens, Executive Director



Ten Thousand Villages is part of a worldwide movement striving to practice fair trade. Working with unemployed or underemployed artisans, it helps them bring their crafts and cultures to North America, selling their wares to support themselves and their families. Join us to learn of this international program.

Richard Martens serves as a professional consultant for Ten Thousand Villages nationally in their New Store development efforts. He is also active in a variety of civic and charitable groups, serving as Chair of the Ten Thousand Villages of Minnesota Board and on the Board of Project For Pride in Living (PPL), a local Self Sufficiency focused Affordable housing and service provider.

This Week's Program

"Viva La Difference! Men and Women and Communication"

Bridget Gothberg, Organizational Development and Tom Lisek, Training and Writing Consultant

What a great tag team! Bridget and Tom kept us laughing throughout the whole program as we explored communication differences between men and women. Did you know men do have larger brains than women, but it is because they are naturally larger physically?



Women use more words on average per day than men (6000 words on 12 topic areas vs. 2500 on 3 topic areas). But, men talk more in meetings than women. Women are physiologically wired differently than men and are therefore more able to multi-task. This same physiological difference makes men more focused. Women hear tonal differences in verbal communications (sometimes reading more into the words than men actually mean) where men usually hear (and mean) only the verbal message. Men's taste buds pick up salty and bitter better, while women tend toward the sweet. Women's touch tends toward the relational while men's touch is more staccato and more physical. Since both married men and married women seem happier, let's not change a thing! Let's just appreciate it!

October Birthdays

- 01 Larry Lee
- 03 Phyllis Karasov
- 09 Bernardine Bryant
- 14 Mark Bellestri
- 18 Neil Peterson
- 25 Rick Sitek

October Anniversaries

- 03 Marcy Gerdin 5 yrs
- 15 Jim Truax 32 yrs
- 16 Don Stiles 5 year
- 21 Dave Walock 3 yrs
- 23 John Hanson 16 yrs
- 26 Jay Stevens 2 yrs
- 30 Adam Johnston 5 yrs

Greeter Schedule

- Oct. 9: Jim Truax
- Oct. 16: Mark Bosch
- Oct. 23: Gigi Brecht
- Oct. 30: Guthrie Theater
- Nov. 6: NO MEETING
- Nov. 13: Jeff Andrews
- Nov. 20: Lori Nelson
- Nov. 27: LuAnn Paulet
- Dec.4: Jay Stevens
- Dec. 11: Ken Nordlie
- Dec. 18: Jim Wenthold
- Dec. 25: NO MEETING
- Jan. 1: NO MEETING

Guests and Visitors

Rotarian Patty Quick, Bloomington Daymaker's Rotary

Rotarian Scott Fricke, joining Bloomington through a Letter of Transfer from the Eden Prairie Rotary Club, Realtor

Rotarians Lee Amble and Jan Amble, Prescott, AZ Rotary Club, Becky Amble's brother and sister-in-law

Ghidei Zedingle, approved for membership, NCC, Professor

Susan Adams, Guest of Adam Bengtson, Adams Communication

Dr. Jackson Thatcher, Spouse of Carolyn Pratt, Surgeon, Health Partners

Sunshine

Abul Sharah heads back to International Village Clinic in India this week.

Diann Kirby was with her family today as she attended the funeral of her dad's oldest brother in Iowa. He lived and farmed about 10 miles away from her father. He was 88 and in failing health, so his death was not unexpected. It was especially nice to visit with her aunts, uncles and cousins. Our thoughts are with Diann and her family.

New Rotarian: Welcome, Don Peterson



Overseeing two Bloomington Hotels, Comfort Inn and Quality Inn Suites, and three hotels in Central Illinois, keeps Don busy in his position as Director of Operations. Don and his wife Maureen are proud parents of two girls. Their oldest is a Freshman at Butler University in Indiana, and the youngest is a Junior at Jefferson High School. Don and his family have lived in Bloomington since 1989. He is looking forward to his work as a Rotarian and to getting to know each of us better. We are very proud to welcome Don Peterson to the Bloomington Noon Rotary.

Southwest Metro Veteran's Day

Sheraton Bloomington Hotel
November 10, 2006, 11:30 AM

Save Friday, November 10th, for this year's Southwest Metro Veterans Day Luncheon at the Bloomington Sheraton Hotel. This special meeting of the Bloomington, Edina, Richfield and Eden Prairie Rotary Clubs pays tribute to our veterans. The featured speaker is Jerry Driscoll, a former Vietnam prisoner of war who spent seven years in the infamous "Hanoi Hilton." Air Force Brigadier General (Ret.) Dennis Schulstad is our emcee. **Due to the November 10th meeting, our club's regular meeting on Monday, November 6, is canceled.**



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RI Haiti Volunteer Trip Planned

Where: Central Plateau Region, Haiti
When: Monday, November 27 - Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Project: To build a home for a villager in the water project area. Do not be intimidated about your skills for building a home. If you can walk and pick up a piece of paper, you are more than adequately trained. The home construction is very basic – mostly sticks, rocks, and stones. We need six more volunteers for the trip.

Cost of the trip: Approximately \$1,300.

Contact For More Information:
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Next Trip: Feb. 2007
Contact Marshall if interested in going.

Harold Larson Party – Nov 18th

WE need YOU!

Silent Auction: Items are still needed for the November 18 Harold Larson Party. Turn in Silent Auction items to **Mark Bosch** as soon as possible. A donation form can be found on page 5 RIB.

Raffle Tickets: Each Rotarian has now received his/her set of tickets to sell. The grand prize this year is a week's vacation for two at the spectacular Hilton Waikoloa Resort on the Big Island of Hawaii. Dates are open and the prize includes \$2,000 in airfare, which currently covers two roundtrip tickets in February, 2007. **The raffle tickets are \$5.00 each** so please sell as many as you can! **Jim Mortenson** has more if needed.



Sponsor Table: You may also wish to arrange a "sponsor table" with some friends. Please contact **John Houle** about a table for ten (\$750) or a table for eight (\$600). We are limited to only 25 sponsor tables, so call John soon! By purchasing a sponsor table (and paying a little bit more per ticket), you'll not only guarantee a table with those you want to sit with, but you will also receive additional recognition, free wine at your table, and extra raffle tickets for each guest. What a deal!!

President's Column

Diann Kirby

According to Past District Governor Ron Axel, **District 5950's Safe Water Plus** project in Haiti continues to move forward.

The project is a partnership between Rotary, World Vision, and Haiti Outreach. To date, these partners have drilled or repaired 65 wells, built nearly 400 latrines and provided health and sanitation education to thousands of residents of the Central Plateau Region in Haiti. Efforts will continue until 141 wells and 1200 latrines are completed. (See Sidebar.)

Safe Water Plus grew out of a project started in Bloomington Rotary in 1990 when former member Ric Jacobsen witnessed the desperate need for clean water in the highlands of the Dominican Republic. Working with Dick Young and Dan Barnett, Ric applied for a matching grant from Rotary International. The goal was simple - provide safe water to two villages. The result was stunning - childhood deaths dropped from 14% per year to 1.5%. Rotarians throughout the District caught the vision, starting the Safe Water Plus project that's now in Haiti. Thanks to the efforts of a few committed Bloomington Rotarians, we can proudly say, "The children stopped dying."



**Extraordinary People Doing
Extraordinary Things!**

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 23: "Ten Thousand Villages", Rick Martens, Executive Director
October 30: Vocational Visit to the **Guthrie Theater**, Backstage Tour 10:30 AM
November 6: **NO MEETING Attend the Nov. 10th Veterans Day Program**
November 13: To Be Announced
November 20: "**Filtering the Air for a Cleaner World**", Bill Cooke, CEO Donaldson Corporation
November 27: "**Healthcare in Our Neighborhood**", Mary Brainerd, CEO Health Partners

Calendar of Events

- October 23:** District 5950 **International Night!** Earle Brown Heritage Center
See Announcement, Page 6 RIB and Registration, Page 7 RIB
- 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
- January 29:** **Meals on Wheels**, Rotary members deliver meals today!
- January 31:** **STRIVE Mock Job Interview** (with Rotarians...you are needed!)
- April 26-28, 2007:** **Rotary District 5950 Conference**
- May 19:** **District 5950 Assembly**, Club officer and Board member training.
- June 17-20, 2007:** **RI Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah**

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:
Jim McDonald, "Orchids"

Monday, November 6, 2006, 11:15 PM

Tuesday, November 7, 2006 5:15 AM, 11:15 AM, 5:15 PM

Nancy Z. Carlson, "Putting Family First"

Tuesday, November 7, 2006 10:00 PM

Wednesday, November 8, 2006 4:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 4:00 PM

Thursday, November 9, 2006 9:00 PM

Friday, November 10, 2006 3:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM



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: _____

Please e-mail or fax this completed form to:

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