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October 23, 2006

The Rotary Club of Bloomington Noon

Weekly Meetings

12:00 Noon

Mondays

**Airport Hilton
Hotel**

Mission

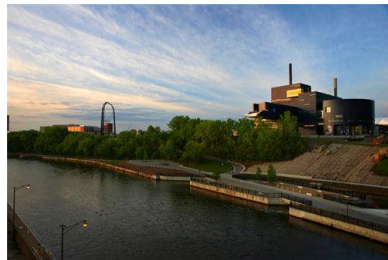
An organization of leaders working together to make a difference in our community and the world.

The Rotary Club of Bloomington Noon

President: Diann Kirby
Pres Elect: Don Stiles
Vice Pres: Carolyn Pratt
Secretary: Karyn Arazi
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Sgt in Arms: Rick Sitek
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Directors: Adam Johnston,
Dave Senness, Lori
Nelson, Mark Bosch,
LuAnn Paulet, Mark
Bellestri, Laura Bjorgo,
Terry Stirewalt, and Dave
Walock

Next Week's Program

Guthrie Theater, Vocational Visit, 10:30 AM – Main Lobby



The Guthrie has a new home. And you have a new theater. Three state-of-the-art stages, open public spaces, and breathtaking views of the Mississippi. You won't believe your eyes. More than a theater – a place to gather. Dine. Gaze. Sip. Browse. Learn. Join us next Monday!

We will gather in the main floor lobby. Arrive early as the tour will start promptly at 10:30 AM. Park across the street. There is a parking fee, so be prepared. Lunch will be in the bistro. See map page 5 RIB.

This Week's Program

"Ten Thousand Villages", Rick Martens, Executive Director

Bringing a display of her wares (right), the story of Ten Thousand Villages became very personal as we heard about Edna Ruth from Puerto Rico who has built a business in her local community making quality products and selling them through Ten Thousand Villages for a fair and equitable price, then reinvesting in her business. Operating with mostly volunteers manning the various stores in the United States, their fair price provides a vital income to craftspeople in third world countries, protects the environment around the native villages, and works to lessen child labor. Worldwide, Ten Thousand Villages supports 20,000 crafters in 30 countries putting about \$20 Million back into native local economies. Our Twin City store is on Grand and Victoria in St. Paul. Visit and support this worthwhile effort. Christmas shopping, anyone?



Name That Rotarian

This member was born in Rockford, Il, but grew up in Edina near Southdale. He is co-founder and owner of Benefits Plus Insurance Agency. A dedicated Rotarian, this member joined Bloomington Rotary in 1980 and was President in 1987-88. During his Presidential year, he helped raise \$65,000 for Polio Plus. In 2001, he led a second Polio Plus campaign that raised \$35,000 for the final push to end polio. Named Rotarian of the Year in 2002, this member is married and has three daughters. Is it? a) **John Houle** b) **Jim Lucas** c) **Dave Senness** d) **Jack Carlson**

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. 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

Brad Vick, guest of Jim Lucas

Marvin Lao, guest of Lori Nelson, Sales Rep with the US Women's Open

Kathy McGinley, guest of speaker Rick Martens

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

Sunshine

Colin Evenson reports a successful move to the new larger offices of Cities Edge Architects. The offices are in Suite 101 of the Nath Building, 900 E. American Boulevard (**Mahendra Nath's** Building). Stop by anytime to say Hello!

Becky Amble reports seeing former member, Lee Sundet, who is looking good. Lee will be back in the Twin Cities in November for the wedding of his grandson.

Jim Truax is celebrating the one year anniversary of his successful liver transplant. Way to go, Jim.

Terry Stirewalt's father had a successful surgery to remove part of his lung related to lung cancer and is expected to recover fully.

New Rotarian: Welcome, Ghidei Zedingle



Born and raised in the horn of Africa, in the country of Eritrea, Ghidei was first introduced to Rotary as an Ambassadorial Scholar in 2001. He studied at the University of California, San Diego, and participated in Rotary activities with his host club, LaJolla Golden Triangle. He received his PhD in Mathematics from the University of Lodz, Poland, and taught several years at the University of Asmara, Eritrea. After his time in California, he then taught in Texas, and is now at Normandale Community

College as a professor of mathematics. Ghidei is interested in giving back through Rotary because of all he received from Rotary. We are proud to welcome him.

Southwest Metro Veteran's Day

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

Retired Air Force Reserve Brig. Gen. Denny Schulstad is your host for this year's annual Southwest Metro Veterans Day Luncheon on Friday, November 10, at 11:30 - 1:30

p.m. at the Bloomington Sheraton. The program features a Jerry Driscoll, a retired Air Force Colonel who spent seven years in the infamous Hanoi Hilton after being shot down over North Vietnam. Please consider inviting a veteran to be your guest. Due to the November 10 meeting, our club's regular meeting on Monday, November 6, is cancelled. If you are planning to attend the Veterans Day program, **please RSVP to Diann Kirby at 952-563-8818 or dkirby@ci.bloomington.mn.us.**



Rotary Minute

The purpose of the Rotary Minute is to provide members additional information about our club, the District and Rotary International. It will be an occasional agenda item of meetings and included in the RIB.

This week John Houle presented the club financial contributions over the past 3 years. Bottom line shows we contributed over \$39,000 in FY '04, over \$ 45,000 in FY '05 and over \$56,000 in FY '06. This past year some 19 charitable partners received our financial support. As we get ready for this year's Harold Larson party, we can take satisfaction in knowing that we touch lives with our financial support and it makes the hard work of putting on the party all worthwhile.

See page 6 RIB for a complete listing of our charitable partners.

Harold Larson Party – Nov 18th

For the benefit of our Charitable Partners...

Silent Auction: Turn in Silent Auction items to **Dave Walock, Mark Bosch, or Dan Jordan** as soon as possible. **Bring your donations to the Guthrie** or drop off at the following address: (A donation form can be found on page 7 RIB)

Dave Walock

BOR-SON Construction

2001 Killebrew Drive, Suite 400

Bloomington, MN 55425



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

This week's meeting reminded me of what makes Rotary, and particularly Bloomington Rotary, so exceptional:

§ The induction of a Ghidei Zedingle (sponsored by Bernie Bryant), a former Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar from Eritrea.

§ A Rotary Minute by John Houle that illustrated how Bloomington Rotary has donated more than \$140,000 to charitable partners locally and internationally during the past three years.

§ A vocational visit next week to one of the hottest new destinations in the Twin Cities, the Guthrie Theater, arranged by Carolyn Pratt.

§ A monthly social hour starting Nov. 3 at Ciao Bella hosted by Charlie Pokladnik.

§ And as always, a wonderful RIB edited by Karyn Arazi, who was asked to train other clubs on newsletter preparation during District 5950's membership development seminar on Oct. 14.

Thanks for your part in helping us do extraordinary things this year. And don't forget to invite a prospective member to a club meeting. They may want to join our group of extraordinary people doing extraordinary things.

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

November 3: Rotary Social Event, Ciao Bella, 4:30 on

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

November 18: Harold Larson Party, [Auction Donation Form](#) on Page 7 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

Name That Rotarian: Answer is b) Jim Lucas

Vocational Visit: Guthrie Theater 10:30 Monday, October 30, 2006

Map and Directions

Location: The Guthrie is located in downtown Minneapolis on the west bank of the Mississippi River at 818 South 2nd Street, Minneapolis, MN. 55415

Directions: From the South: Take I-35W. Heading North on 35W, **take the 3rd Street/Washington Avenue exit (17C)**. Turn **Left onto S. Washington Avenue**. Turn **Right onto S. 11th Avenue**. Turn **Left onto S. 2nd Street** and go 2 blocks. The Guthrie will be on your Right, parking on your Left.

Parking: Parking is available in the ramp across South 2nd Street from the Guthrie and in many parking lots throughout the neighborhood. Online parking reservations for the parking ramp across the street are available through the City of Minneapolis. Visit www.mplsarking.com and click on "Reservations".

Bus Stop/Light Rail: The nearest bus stop for the Guthrie is the Route 7 or Route 19 stop on the corner of Washington Avenue at Chicago Avenue. For light rail, use the Downtown East/Metrodome Station stop. For more information in planning your trip, visit the MetroTransit website.

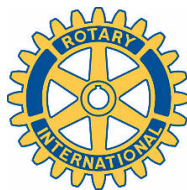


Rotary Minute

October 2006

Bloomington Rotary Club Charitable Giving

Recipient	FY 04	FY 05	FY 06
Courage Center	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Strive	5,311	8,153	9,008
International Village Clinic	2,710	5,500	6,000
Safe Water Project	2,000	1,250	5,000
Normandale CCF disabled student	5,000	4,450	4,000
Cornerstone	2,500	3,500	3,500
VEAP	2,450	3,000	3,000
Bloomington Education Foundation	0	2,500	2,500
Bloomington Fine Arts	1,000	2,000	2,500
Bridging, Inc.	2,000	0	2,000
Peace House Foundation	0	0	2,000
Youth Exchange	1,575	1,410	1,685
Companies to Classrooms	0	0	1,650
Meals on Wheels	2,000	2,000	1,500
Camp Enterprise	0	550	550
Fast for Hope	850	500	500
Loaves and Fishes	0	0	371
Bloomington Jefferson DECA	0	0	250
Warm Hands (district)	0	0	250
Egg Scramble	655	526	0
Bloomington Schools	0	250	0
Ethiopia Medical Supplies	1,000	0	0
Kids Vote Project	430	0	0
Total	<u>39,481</u>	<u>45,589</u>	<u>56,264</u>



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:
Mark Bosch
mbosch@bossardt.com or mbosch1@mn.rr.com
FAX: 952-831-1268
Or hand deliver to Mark Bosch or Dan Jordan