



# RIB

**November 19,  
2007**

## **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.

### **2007-2008 Officers: President:**

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## **Next Week's Program**

**"National Marrow Donor Program"**

**Guest: Dr. Beth Murphy**

Mary's Story: Mary was a typical teenager, busy with cheerleading, dance, theater and gymnastics – until she was diagnosed with aplastic anemia when she only 18. Even with a successful bone marrow transplant, recovery was difficult with loss of her beautiful hair and months of isolation. Cancer is the leading cause of disease-related death among children and teens. Survival rates have increased greatly and with programs like the National Marrow Donor Program, survivors are being given tools to better cope with their treatment and life afterwards. At 20, Mary is healthy and hopeful about her future.



Dr. Beth Murphy is Director of the NMDP's Office of Patient Advocacy. Her department recently received an esteemed \$1.5 Million grant to further provide support, and promote the issues surrounding long-term cancer survivorship. Welcome Beth next week and hear more of these inspiring stories.

## **This Week's Program**

**"The Perfect Storm in the Aviation/Aerospace Industry"**

**Guest: Ken Polovitz**



A "perfect storm" is brewing in the aviation industry as the demand for services in the industry is sharply increasing while the supply of qualified workers is decreasing. The industry has experienced such a roller coaster ride of success and failure over the past 5 years that students are no longer choosing to pursue careers within the industry. Five years ago, there were over 30,000 juniors in American high schools expressing an interest in the aviation industry. Today, only half of that number are expressing an interest. The military is also not producing pilots as they used to. And, to top it off, the industry is so short of qualified workers that students who once would have graduated and then taken a lower paying flight instructor job to clock more flight hours before they took the better paying industry job are moving into the industry directly, leaving no one to train upcoming workers. This shortage is industry wide including mechanics, private and commercial pilots, and air traffic controllers. This is a good time to look at the aviation industry if you are pursuing a new career.

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### **November Birthdays**

12 Diann Kirby  
13 Karyn Arazi  
14 Adam Bengtson  
20 Lori Nelson  
27 Nick Basil  
27 Brett McMahon

### **Nov. Anniversaries**

01 Jim Lucas 27 yrs  
05 Carolyn Pratt 5 yrs  
13 Scott Fricke 1 yr  
22 Mahendra Nath 19 yrs

### **Greeter Schedule**

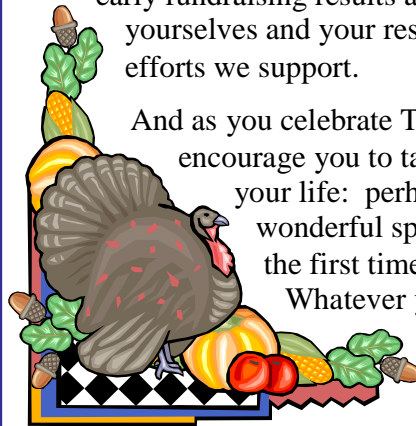
Nov 26: David Pederson  
Dec 3: Jeff Andrews  
Dec 10: Charles Pokladnik  
Dec 17: Dave Senness  
Dec 24, 31 NO Meeting

### **Invoker Schedule**

Nov 26: Sandhya Gupta  
Dec 3: Jack Bouquet  
**Dec 10: Colin Evenson**  
Dec 17: Ed Reis  
Dec 24, 31 NO Meeting

## **President's Corner – Don Stiles**

As we enter this national holiday of Thanksgiving, I want to reflect on how thankful I am to be associated with a group of exceptional and caring individuals within our Rotary Club of Bloomington. The enthusiasm, participation, generosity, and willingness to share as we raised funds for this year's service projects and charitable partners is something we all can take pride in. It is truly an honor and privilege to serve as your President. **Carolyn Pratt** and her army of gala volunteers handled everything this past weekend ... and then some. The early fundraising results are looking very good. Thank you all for sharing yourselves and your resources to better our community and the international efforts we support.



And as you celebrate Thanksgiving in your own traditional way, I encourage you to take a moment to be thankful for those loved ones in your life: perhaps it's a returning college son or daughter, a wonderful spouse, a new grandchild experiencing this holiday for the first time, or a relative returning home from military duty. Whatever your experience, savor it and share it with those around you. We are so fortunate to be able to enjoy another special day in our life journey.

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

## **Harold Larson Party 2007**

### **"Raise a few Dollars – Touch a life"**

Congratulations, Club, you did just that! What a successful evening! And what great accommodations! The immediate returns indicate that we might surpass all previous records raising more than \$60,000 to share with our Charitable Partners touching the lives of hundreds, maybe thousands within our community and the world.

A special Thank You to the leadership: **Carolyn Pratt, HLP Chair; Colin Evenson, David Wang, Jeff Andrews, Dan Jordan, Karyn Arazi, David Walock, Brian Emerson, John Houle, Adam Johnston, Kathy Koehler, Larry Lee, Jim Mortensen, Terry Stirewalt and John Swaney.** And...to all the **volunteers who assisted these leaders.** Without each person, this effort would not have been possible.

Thanks to our many sponsors and donors. Through their generosity our Silent Auction brought in over \$11,000; Bingo over \$2,500; Strive over \$7,500; Raffle over \$25,000; TV Raffle - \$1090; Live Auction over \$5,000; and Sponsor Tables will net over \$9,000. Thank you to our two special Event Sponsors: **Harold Larson and Lee Sundet** each donating \$5,000.

There is still more fun to come...stay tuned!

*Thank You*

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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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## Sunshine

**Dan Barnett** sends his greetings from the Mediterranean. He is on a 20 day excursion that will take him to Italy, Greece, Cyprus, Egypt and Turkey (on Thanksgiving--How cool is that!). He will be on three continents in the process: Europe, Asia, and Africa. He has requested a make-up as he and Frank Grazzini met (totally unplanned) at St. Marks Church in Venice, Italy. You know the saying, "wherever two are gathered" there is a Rotary Meeting.

**LeAnne Sims** has been approved for membership by the Board of Directors at their November meeting. LeAnne is the "Learning for Life" executive for the Boy Scouts of America. Welcome LeAnne!

The **Board of Directors** at their November meeting voted to nominate **Don Stiles** for District Governor Designate of District 5950.

## Guests and Visitors

**Ryne DeVries**, Guest of Jim McDonald, Northwestern Health Sciences University

**Matt Earnest**, Guest of Jeff Andrews, Pilot for Federal Express

**Khadya Mohamed**, Guest of David Getsch, Kennedy High School student

**Tylor Schoenborn**, Guest of David Getsch, Kennedy High School student

**Dan Gasner**, Guest of David Getsch, Kennedy High School Business Teacher

## Upcoming Meetings

November 26: "National Marrow Donor Program" Guest: Dr. Beth Murphy

December 3: "Barbershop Quartet"

December 10: "STRIVE" Luncheon, Guests: STRIVE Students

December 17: "Youth Venture"

December 28: **Joint Meeting** with the **Daymakers Rotary Club**

**December 24 and December 31: NO MEETINGS**

## Calendar of Events

January 14: **Governor Tim Pawlenty** scheduled

April 26-28: **District 5950 District Conference**, Radisson Arrowwood,  
Alexandria, MN To register go to: [www.rotary5950.org](http://www.rotary5950.org)

May 8: Bloomington Ethics Seminar on White Collar Crime

## Rotary on Cable, Channel 14

"Identity Theft" – **Officer Jim Caauwe, Bloomington Police**

Saturday, November 24, 2007 7:00 PM

Sunday, November 25, 2007 1:00 AM, 7:00 AM, 1:00 PM

## Announcements and Other Business:



### Rotarian Who Shares: Terry Stirewalt

Enthusiasm for sports and for helping others is obvious the moment you meet Terry. Raised in a southern cotton mill town, his first job was carrying newspapers. Terry has since earned his MBA; served several tours of duty with the Army and Coast Guard; served as an Army Reserve recruiter; and finally settled into his current position at Richfield Bloomington Credit Union as Assistant Vice President of Business Services.

Terry is an accomplished parachutist and scuba diver who in his spare time loves to ride his motorcycle. Terry is married to Shari Otterblad and has two married stepsons and two grandchildren.

Terry joined Rotary in 2004 with a can do attitude. He has worked with STRIVE, served as Membership Chair, been a Salvation Army Bell Ringer; served Meals on Wheels; and found a way for RBCU to assist in providing \$100 in additional scholarship money to each qualified STRIVE scholar this year. Way to go, Terry!

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## Camp Enterprise:

Bloomington Noon Rotary again sponsored two Kennedy High School students to attend a weekend at Camp Courage. “**Camp Enterprise**” offers business leadership training for students who have expressed an interest in business as a career. Students who attend hear from local business leaders and learn through practical case studies where they have an opportunity to market their own business. Our Kennedy students were our guests today and shared their appreciation for the opportunity our club provided.



Pictured here are: **David Getsch**, Bloomington Noon Chair for this project; along with student Khadya Mohamed; Kennedy Advisor Dan Gasner; and student Tylor Schoenborn. Thank you, David, for organizing this opportunity.

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## An Invitation from our President to Community Service:



At our Board meeting Monday, it was approved to offer to our members this community opportunity to support our returning military members and their families. This outreach began at the Humphrey Institute, and now partners with eight local Lutheran congregations and the Mayor of Bloomington. The January 12 "Stand Up" is looking for volunteer time in certain skilled areas. Members: Please review the attachments and decide whether to be involved or not. Such involvement would be personal and not part of Rotary International. **See RIB pages 5 and 6.**

Don Stiles

# **Warrior to Citizen Campaign**

## ***Bloomington standing together to support our troops.***

Dear Neighbors,

The Warrior to Citizen Campaign, originated by the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute, is a non political call to civic action bringing communities together to assist our troops and their families with the transition home.

Through the efforts of dedicated residents, the partnership of our eight ELCA Lutheran congregations, and the support of Mayor Gene Winstead, Bloomington has become the pilot site for this unique community response. We have tremendous gifts and resources in our midst, and we are calling for this city to stand together.

### **Community 'Stand To' – Saturday - January 12<sup>th</sup> - 11:30-3:00pm** **Bloomington Amory - 3300 W 98th St**

A military "Stand To" means "all personnel to your post." As a community, our post is to surround and support those who have offered to serve us. This special Bloomington event is a way we can "be community" for our fellow citizens serving in all the branches of military service whose dedication to our country has imparted a heavy toll. This community picnic type event is meant to bring together people, not agencies, to say thank you and can I help you in return.

#### **We Need Your Help!**

We are looking for people who are service providers to donate a suggested 20-40 hours of their time and talent to the troops and their families. Areas of need (but not limited to): painting, plumbing, money management workshops, classes to manage stress, resume coaching, family counseling, mock interviewing exercises, lawn care, snow removal... anything you want to offer as a "Welcome Home and Thank You." We ask that your organization or governing body designate a point person to collect information from those willing to donate their time and talents to our vets. Each provider will fill out an agreement form that specifies their donated service, amount of hours, and distance they will travel. Providers should also indicate their interest in attending the event, having table space, greeting participants, and talking about what they have to offer. We are inviting the Chamber of Commerce, community churches, and different service clubs of Bloomington to participate.

If you have a door prize you would like to donate or make a contribution to our Bloomington effort, all donations are tax deductible and you will be provided a receipt. If you are interested in participating or want more information about volunteer opportunities, have your organizational point person contact Karen Eileen (952-943-0793) - [ke\\_create@yahoo.com](mailto:ke_create@yahoo.com) . Karen is the project manager for this effort and is also producing cable TV programs regarding this Warrior to Citizen civic action plan. Service organizations and churches are invited to participate in those as well.

This is one way we can do a collective "Stand To" for our troops and their families. Let's create something that can be duplicated around the state, region, and even nationally so those who serve might know they do not stand alone. Together we can make a difference.

Rev. John D. F. Nelson  
Transfiguration Lutheran Church

Dennis Donovan  
Hubert H. Humphrey Institute

Mayor Gene Winstead  
Bloomington, MN

**Agreement for Services or Gifts**  
**provided for the**  
**Bloomington Warrior to Citizen “Community**  
**Stand To”**  
**Jan 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Bloomington Armory**

Provider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e mail \_\_\_\_\_ fax \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle preferred method of contact

**Service** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours \_\_\_\_\_ (suggested 20-40 hrs) Value/ hr \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Location of service \_\_\_\_\_

Distance limit for delivery of service \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in attending event? \_\_\_\_\_ Table space \_\_\_\_\_ lunch \_\_\_\_\_

**GIFT for door prizes**

Item \_\_\_\_\_ Value \_\_\_\_\_

Donated By: Person/Business \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e mail \_\_\_\_\_

On behalf of the Bloomington Warrior to Citizen Community Stand To committee

A most sincere  
**THANK YOU!**