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November 26,
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.

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Next Week's Program

"Holiday Cheer" Guests: Vallee De Croix Sweet Adelines Quartet and the Croix Chordsmen Barbershop Quartet

Vallee de Croix quartet will bring cheer and holiday voices to our meeting with Jackie Hillman, bass; Joyce Kisch, tenor; Mary Fitzgerald, lead; and Kathy Korum, baritone. Kathy will tell us a little bit about the Sweet Adeline organization and then we can take a break with some holiday favorites.

Cliff Turnbull and his Barbershop Quartet (pictured right) will be our second set of guests. Cliff will share the history of Barbershop and their music. He might even give us a little training in the musical theory associated with Barbershop quartet music. Then, you are in store for some great entertainment! You don't want to miss this one!



This Week's Program

"National Marrow Donor Program" Guest: Elizabeth Murphy



On an average day, more than 6,000 people search the National Marrow Donor Program registry for a donor match. These patients have lymphoma, leukemia or a variety of other inherited, life-threatening diseases that can be treated by a marrow or cord blood transplant. Elizabeth Murphy described how the program carries out its mission to "save lives through cellular transplantation-science, service and support." NMDP

manages the largest, most diverse registry with nearly 7 million donors and has connections to other similar organizations around the world. Although millions have joined the registry, there are still not enough matched donors to meet the needs of all patients, especially those from racially and ethnically diverse backgrounds. The initial matching is easy and painless – no blood sample, no visit to a doctor's office. For more information, visit www.marrow.org or call 1-800-627-7692.

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

- Dec 3: Jeff Andrews
- Dec 10: Charles Pokladnik
- Dec 17: Dave Senness
- Dec 24, 31 NO Meeting

Invoker Schedule

- Dec 3: Jack Bouquet
- Dec 10: Colin Evenson
- Dec 17: Ed Reis
- Dec 24, 31 NO Meeting

President's Corner – Don Stiles



Another week passes and I see another involvement by our Rotary members in some service project for our community. First, I would like to thank **Dave Getsch** for chairing our Club's involvement in the Rotary Camp Enterprise project for high school youth this year. Dave brought the two Kennedy students who participated in the camp, Tylor Schoenborn and Khadija Mohammed, plus the Kennedy advisor Dan Gasner to our Rotary meeting last week. The program continues to inspire and teach young people about the business world.

This Saturday, **Lee Helms** has once again organized our Club's bell-ringing for the Salvation Army at the Lund's in Normandale Village. Thank you, Lee, for putting this service project together and making it appear "seamless." Thanks to all of you who share yourselves in so many ways to better our community.

We hope to celebrate some of those successes with an early holiday party at next week's (December 3) Rotary meeting with some entertainment ... barbershop style. And then on December 13, we can celebrate some more (thank you **Don Peterson** and **Charlie Pokladnik**) at a holiday Rotary social. Details to follow. Please join in the fun!

Guests and Visitors

Sandy Schley, Edina Noon Rotary, District Governor-Nominee
Char Dennhardt, Lakeville Rotary

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Sat. Dec. 1 – Lund's at 98th Street/Normandale Blvd.

Bell ringing for the Salvation Army is from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday, December 1, in front of Lund's at 98th St. and Normandale Blvd. Buy a bell-ringing Rotarian a cup of coffee or chocolate from the Caribou in Lund's. The forecast for Saturday is 25 degrees. Questions? Contact Lee Helms at 952-831-1141.

9 AM to 10 AM	John Swaney and Lee Helms
10 AM to 11 AM	Don Stiles and Dick Young
11 AM to 12 PM	Dave Senness and Jeff Andrews
12 PM to 1 PM	Tom Kendall and Skipp Saaf
1 PM to 2 PM	Sharon VanWinkel and Dan Jordan
2 PM to 3 PM	Bernie Bryant and Neil Peterson
3 PM to 4 PM	Jim Wenthold and Terry Stirewalt

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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

Becky Amble reports that her son's school raised over \$10,000 for the Rushford schools. There are obviously some future Rotarians in that school.

Wally Neal is continuing to recover from lung surgery at his home.

Don Stiles finished the 5K Turkey Run in St. Paul on November 18. Don's goal, which he accomplished, was to finish without stopping or walking.

Nick Basil and **Brett McMahon** shared Tuesday, November 27, as a birthday.

Club Social

Thursday, Dec. 13 – Comfort Inn, Bloomington

A holiday social gathering will be hosted by **Don Peterson** at the Comfort Inn on Thursday, December 13, from 4:40 to 7:30 p.m. More details are coming, but if you can attend RSVP to **Don Stiles** at stiles.don@gmail.com.

Upcoming Meetings

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

May 8: Bloomington Ethics Seminar on White Collar Crime

Rotary on Cable, Channel 14

“Personal Trainer” – Judy Beyers

Tuesday, December 4, 2007 11:00 PM
Wednesday, December 5, 2007 5:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM
Thursday, December 6, 2007 9:00 PM
Friday, December 7, 2007 3:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM

“Rotary Veterans Day”

Monday, December 10, 2007 11:00 PM
Tuesday, December 11, 2007 5:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM
Saturday, December 15, 2007 7:00PM
Sunday, December 16, 2007 1:00 AM, 7:00 AM, 1:00 PM

Announcements and Other Business:

Rotarian Who Shares: Mahendra Nath



The Rotarian known for challenging us to reach new heights of sharing with The Rotary Foundation was born in Lahore, India. **Mahendra Nath** received his B.S. in mechanical engineering at the University of Delhi and M.S. in industrial engineering from the University of Minnesota. In 1980, Mahendra and his wife, Asha, started Nath Companies with a focus on hospitality and real estate. Mahendra was honored as Minnesota's Entrepreneur of the Year in 1999 and entered the Minnesota Business Hall of Fame in 2002. He recently returned from a trade mission to India with Gov. Tim Pawlenty.

Mahendra joined Bloomington Rotary in 1988. He has served on the club's board, chairing both the Community Service and Vocational Service Committees. His generosity as a Rotarian who shares is spread throughout our community – funding Pack to School numerous times, inspiring youth with his life story as a STRIVE mentor, supporting the Success Center at Normandale Community College, and as one of the founders of the Mahendra Nath Rotary Foundation Challenge.

Mahendra has been married to Asha for forty years. They have one daughter, Shalini, and a son, Deepak. Thanks, Mahendra, for being a Rotarian who shares!

International Village Clinic Update

Dear IVC friend,

I arrived in Delhi, India on October 10. My original plan was to stay in Delhi for 3 nights to take care of pending IVC business. But I had to cancel that plan and head to Varanasi right away. I stayed in Varanasi for the next four days working on a grant proposal to the MacArthur foundation. The proposal was due on October 15.

On October 16, I traveled to village Marufpur, where our project is located. The first couple of weeks after I arrive are always hectic – meeting people and trying to catch up with the events of the last 6 months. The yearly tax return for the Indian non profit was due on October 31, so that was my next order of business. We completed it today and it will be filed tomorrow.

Our project is running smoothly. I didn't find any big surprise on my return, which is wonderful. Little surprises were plenty. Some good ones too! One such pleasant surprise was the landscaping in front of the clinic building that one of our staff did over the last four months, in his spare time. It looks so pleasant and pretty. Patients, visitors and our staff – all enjoy it.

Abul Sharah
October 28, 2007



Chanda posed for a picture in front of IVC staff residence. A year ago, her parents brought her to the IVC clinic, expecting her to die soon. She had tuberculosis.