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February 5, 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.

The Rotary Club of Bloomington Noon

President: Diann Kirby
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Next Week's Program

"Music at the MacPhail School for the Arts"

Guest: Dr. David O'Fallon, President



Exciting developments are happening at MacPhail School for the Arts with a new \$25 Million facility in downtown Minneapolis on the Mississippi River opening in the fall of 2007. MacPhail's mission is to transform lives and enrich our community through music education. Dr. David O'Fallon, our guest, will bring us up to date on how MacPhail is improving education and linking learning with the arts.

Dr. O'Fallon is currently President of MacPhail Center for Music. He served previously as the executive director of the Perpich Center for Arts Education and with the National Endowment for the Arts while on staff at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. He earned his PhD from the Union Graduate Institute in creative connections between theatre and community. He has served on numerous boards and as a national advisor to groups like the Harvard Graduate School of Education. He is a co-founder of the Minneapolis based theater **In the Heart of the Beast**.

This Week's Program

"Update on MOA, Phase II"

Guests: Clark E. Arneson and William C. Griffith

Mall of America Phase II, zoned for up to 5.6 million square feet of new mixed-use development on 42 acres of adjacent property to the north of MOA, will benefit not only Bloomington, but the state of Minnesota as well. Benefits to Bloomington include three new hotels under construction in the city and the potential for the area around Bloomington Central Station to become a third urban center. Benefits to the whole state include doubling the income tax, sales tax, and state property tax that is currently being brought into the state through the mall today.

Currently in the financing stage, MOA Phase II will be anchored by Bass Pro Shops and include a 7 story hotel tower. Its centerpiece will be *Town Square*, a gathering space 5 times larger than the current rotunda featuring an indoor skating rink.



February Birthdays

- 01 Abul Sharah
- 14 Terry Stirewalt
- 20 Dick Herberg
- 21 Susan Freeman
- 22 Dan Jordan

February Anniversaries

- 04 Susan Freeman 4 yrs
- 05 Dave Getsch 4 yrs
- 09 Tom Arnold MD 25 yrs
- 10 Krishna Ramalingam
3 yrs
- 11 Dave Pederson 15 yrs
- 11 Skipp Saaf 10 yrs
- 12 Sharon Van Winkel
4 yrs
- 14 Sandhya Gupta 1 yr
- 17 Ken Nordlie 3 yrs
- 18 Dave Sennes 21 yrs
- 21 Gigi Brecht 1 yr
- 28 Jim Wenthold 1 yr

Greeter Schedule

- Feb. 12: LuAnn Paulet
- Feb. 19: Brian Emerson
- Feb. 26: Mike Brunkow
- Mar. 5: Adam Gengtson
- Mar. 12: Jim Wenthold
- Mar. 19: Adam Johnston

Guests and Visitors

William Brick, Guest and neighbor of Jim Wenthold, Food Broker

Rotarian Bob Stehlik, Edina Noon Rotary, Banking

Dan Jasper and Ann Long, Guests of John Swaney, Public Relations with the Mall of America

Dan Engstrand, Guest of Jim Wenthold, Manufacturer's Rep

Elizabeth Henderson, Guest of Jim MacDonald, Financial Planning

John Bossardt, Guest of Mark Bosch, Bossardt Corporation

Bart Bodway, Guest of Jim Mortenson, PCL

David Wang, Guest of John Swaney, Associated Bank, Sr. VP

Jill Heutmaker, Guest of Larry Lee, Port Authority

Sunshine

Abul Sharah sends his regards and says "Hello" as he writes from India: "We are going to celebrate the fifth anniversary of our project on February 12, 2007. The ultrasound machine and the baby care equipment (radiant warmer, fetus doppler and phototherapy equipment) were installed two weeks ago. The x-ray machine installation should be completed next week. I plan to send a more complete report and pictures later."

Marty Chorzempa, who broke a couple of ribs in a fall recently, is on the mend. He says the pain comes and goes. It hampered his golf game for a while, but Marty is out there again this week working on his swing. He is resting and reading and wishes he could send us some of the 70 – 80 degree weather.

Jae Mellin and wife returned recently from a much needed relaxing week in Keystone skiing. Jae's father, is recovering well from his Gall Bladder surgery and Jae thanked Rotarians for their prayers on the recent loss of his grandmother.

Name That Rotarian

This Rotarian ventured back to Bloomington Rotary in 2004 after a short stint with the club in the late 1990s. Born and raised in Iowa City, Iowa, this member graduated from the University of Iowa with a degree in marketing. After graduation, this Rotarian moved to Eagan and began work in the insurance industry, co-founding an insurance agency in 1989. This Rotarian is a member of Bloomington Rotary's board of directors, coordinates member Sunshine news and sits on the membership committee. The parent of two children, this Rotarian's hobbies include golfing and gardening.

Is it?

a) Gigi Brecht b) Charlie Pokladnik c) LuAnn Paulet d) Jack Carlson
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Calling all MEMBERS!

Who do you know
that would make a
great Rotarian?

Mark your calendar
for Tuesday, May
1st, 5:15 to 7:15 PM
for our annual
Prospective and
New Member Social
Event and get this
date on your
prospective
member's calendar
as well.

All Rotarians
should plan to
attend and to invite
a prospective new
Rotarian to join
them to meet other
club members and
to learn what
Rotary is all about!

Each club activity
will be featured
with their own
information table
and PR handouts
about their activity.
Start planning
ahead. YOU will
make this event a
success.

WE NEED YOU!

Club Social – This Friday!

Friday, February 9th, Ciao Bella, starting at 3:30 PM
3501 Minnesota Drive, Edina (952) 841-1000

Cap off your week with your friends! Stop by anytime, the Patio Bar is reserved from 3:30 to 7:00. This event was so popular last November that we have our own dedicated space. Thanks to **Charlie Pokladnik** for making all of the arrangements.

And don't forget, on Friday, May 11th, our Civic Theater outing to see "Funny Girl". Reserve your seats now with **Carolyn Pratt**. Pre-play social at the home of **Don and Leslie Stiles**.

President's Column

Diann Kirby

I was twice reminded last week what a privilege it is to be a Rotarian. In the first case, it was the opportunity to provide nourishment to some of our most elderly and frail residents through Meals On Wheels. My thanks to **Wally Neal** for organizing this rewarding event. Thanks, also, to committee members **Jim Mortenson and Dave Pederson**, both of whom directed drivers to the right entry at St. Stephen's and helped get them assigned and on their way.



In the second instance, I joined twenty other Bloomington Rotarians for mock job interviews with our STRIVE students at Kennedy High School. I paired up with Monica, a Kennedy senior with a great smile and warm personality. As we went through the prepared questions (e.g., why do you want this job, etc.) I was increasingly impressed with her answers. From her first job at the age of 11 to her activities as cheerleader for the boys' basketball team, Monica surprised me with the depth and eloquence of her answers. I left feeling I was the lucky one to have been part of the mock job interviews. It was an extraordinary experience that reminded me again of how much I appreciate being a Rotarian.

Extraordinary People Doing Extraordinary Things!

District 5950 Annual Conference

April 27-29, 2007 -- RESERVE NOW

FREE parking! FREE registration! FREE! If you reserve by March 1st.

Meet Rotarians in a historic Minneapolis setting and get free parking to boot if you sign up now for Rotary District's 5950 Annual Conference April 27 - 29. The event will be held at the Milwaukee Road Depot facility in the Courtyard by Marriott. Learn about outstanding Rotary projects and programs; hear a high-profile speaker at the Friday luncheon; and party at the gala-themed banquet on Friday night. For more information, visit District 5950's web site at

www.rotary5950.org.

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

February 12: “**Music at the MacPhail School for the Arts**”, Dr David O’Fallon

February 19: “**HIV Aids in Minnesota and Africa**”, Kevin Winge, Open Arms

February 26: “**Rotary International Foundation**”, Jim Lucas

March 5: “**Chocolate**”

March 12: “**James J. Hill Library**”, Guest: Jim Poole

Calendar of Events

February 9: Rotary Social, in the Patio Bar at Ciao Bella, 3:30 to 7:00 PM

March 9-10: PETS – President Elect Training

March 28: “State of the City” Address, Airport Hilton Hotel, 494 & 34th Ave.

April 9: “Loaves and Fishes”, Club Service Project, Creekside Community Center, 9801 Penn Avenue South, **Dan Jordan & Susan Freeman**, coordinators.

April 26-28, 2007: Rotary District 5950 Conference, All Rotarians invited

May 1: Prospective Member Social Event, Airport Hilton Hotel, 5:15 – 7:15 PM

May 10: MBEA Business Ethics Awards, No Meeting May 7th

May 5: District 5950 Assembly, Club officer and Board member training, Normandale College.

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:

“Are We There Yet?” AAA Minneapolis, President Steve Frank

Tuesday, February 13, 2007 11:30 PM

Wednesday, February 14, 2007 5:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:30 PM

Thursday, February 15, 2007 10:30 PM

Friday, February 16, 2007 4:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 4:30 PM

Name That Rotarian: c. LuAnn Paulet