



# RIB

March 3, 2008

**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

**"The Palestinian-Israeli conflict – Peace in 2008?"**

**Guest: Florence Steichen**



Florence Steichen lived in Bethlehem from 1987-1992, where she served as Registrar of Bethlehem University in Palestine. She says the years "living among the Palestinians and sharing their hardships were challenging and mind expanding. Since then, Florence has returned to Bethlehem four times to lead groups and to visit friends. She is President of Middle East Peace Now; serves as Treasurer of Pax Christi Twin Cities, a chapter of the International Catholic Peace Movement; and is active in the Middle East Committee of Women Against Military Madness, WAMM.

A native of Minneapolis, Florence is a Sister of St. Joseph, a retired educator, who taught High School and College for 25 years, and served on the Sisters of St. Joseph Leadership Team, 1978-82. She lives in St. Paul., and speaks and writes on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. Join us for a Palestinian viewpoint on this critical issue.

## This Week's Program

**"The New College of Education and Human Development: Building Bridges to Create a Community of Leaders"**

**Guest: Dean Darlyne Bailey**

Contributed by: Tom Burke

Darlyne Bailey, PhD., Dean of the New College of Education and Human Development at the University of Minnesota, was the program on Monday, March 4, 2008. Dr. Bailey is from Harlem, New York, and her background includes a long standing career with Columbia University where she served in multiple leadership positions including an interim term as President of the University. She was recruited to come to the University of Minnesota to spearhead a new and innovative direction for the College of Education and Human Development.

As the 21<sup>st</sup> century embarks, the context for change is ripe as society and the larger world continue to transform the landscape of demands to which today's students will need to adapt. Dr. Bailey asserts that given this context for change she and her colleagues in academia need to transform the way higher education serves the world. It is no longer enough to simply "educate" - in the future education must meet the needs of the total person and help each person to connect into a world of specialization and fragmentation.

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**March Birthdays**

- 03 Jim Feilzer, DDS
- 03 Skipp Saaf
- 07 Rod Axtell
- 10 Elizabeth Henderson
- 17 Frank Grazzini
- 18 Jack Bouquet
- 28 Dan Barnett

**March Anniversaries**

- 03 Dick Young 21 yrs
- 09 Becky Amble 15 yrs
- 21 John Swaney 8 yrs
- 28 Neil Peterson 19 yrs
- 30 Brett McMahon 15 yrs

**Greeter Schedules**

- Mar 10: Jack Bouquet
- Mar 17: Dan Jordan
- Mar 26: Adam Johnston
- March 31: Lori Nelson
- Apr 7: Larry Lee

**Invoker Schedules**

- Mar 10: Terry Stirewalt
- Mar 17: Elizabeth Henderson
- Mar 26: Ken Nordlie
- Mar 31: Colin Evenson
- Apr 7: Jim Mortenson

**This Week Continued:**

The model Dr. Bailey uses is three intertwined circles reflecting three areas of emphasis: Teaching & Learning; Psychological & Physical Development and Family & Community Systems. The process of intertwining these areas of emphasis occurs in what Dr. Bailey describes "neighborhoods". These neighborhoods must have two characteristics to remain authentic...to be Multidisciplinary and Multicultural. The end product of this new educational model would be a student who not only learns but also has developed skill sets to integrate socially, intellectually, professionally and emotionally. No longer would a student be in danger of doing well in school but then flunking life.



**President's Corner - Don Stiles**



We have been blessed this year with many high quality and most interesting luncheon programs thanks to our talented Program Chair **Becky Amble**. One of those programs that stimulated much discussion was the January 28 Arab-Israeli Conflict presentation by Holly Brod Farber. Holly brought us up to date on the geographic changes as well as the Israeli viewpoint on the conflict. Many of you asked me to continue this important discussion, so by popular demand, we will bring this topic to you again this Monday, March 10 ... only this time Florence Steichen will present the Palestinian viewpoint for your consideration and discussion. Please come prepared to ask your insightful questions as you always do.

I also wanted to point out a couple of quick reminders: First, March 17 is our next Rotary Board meeting, so if you have any issues you would like discussed, please let me know this next week. Second, our Rotary International Foundation Campaign is in full swing, so please respond with your generous pledge as soon as possible. And finally, be sure to mark your calendars for the meeting switch from Monday March 24 to **Wednesday March 26** for the joint meeting with the Chamber of Commerce and our annual "**State of the City**" address. Thanks for sharing your time and talents with Rotary!!

**District Conference:**

Many of our Rotary members are attending Saturday only, while others are taking advantage of the wonderful family atmosphere that will be the centerpiece of the **Rotary District Conference activities scheduled for April 25-27 at the Arrowhead Resort in Alexandria, MN**. The conference is a great opportunity to mingle with fellow Rotarians from all over the state. Look over the brochure material or go online. If you wish to carpool ("Road Trip!!"), contact Don Stiles. He is driving up on Saturday. Thanks for your consideration. Registration: <http://www.rotary5950.org>



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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

Our prayers and thoughts go with **Marty Chorzempa and his wife Jan**, who is currently undergoing her third chemo treatment. Although doing OK, she is experiencing some negative physical side effects. They are in Arizona until Apr. 2.

**Neil and Pat Peterson** celebrated their 47<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, March 3. Congratulations, Neil and Pat!

Former Bloomington Rotarian, Char Schabinger Dennhardt's mother, Bunny, passed away February 14<sup>th</sup>. Visitation this Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 Ebenezer Nursing Home, Burnsville.

## Guests and Visitors

Prospective Rotarian **Jim Casserly**, Public Finance Lawyer, KM KrassMunroe

Rotarian **Bob Stehlik**, Edina Rotary, Banking

**Katrina Uhly**, Guest of Dr. Darlyne Bailey

**Amy Kendall**, Youngest Daughter and Guest of Tom Kendall

**Peggy Rejto**, Dean of Science NCC, Guest of Ed Wines

## Upcoming Meetings

March 10: "Arab-Israeli Conflict" Guest Florence Steichen

March 17: "Jeremiah Program" Guest: Gloria Perez Jordan

March 24: **NO MEETING**

March 26: "State of the City" Guests: Gene Winstead and Mark Bernhardson

March 31: "Conflict Remodel" Guest: Julie Allen, Catalyst for Sustainable Change

## Calendar of Events

March 24: **NO MEETING**—instead "State of the City" set for March 26<sup>th</sup>

April 25-27: **District 5950 District Conference**, Radisson Arrowwood,

Alexandria, MN To register go to: [www.rotary5950.org](http://www.rotary5950.org)

May 2: Rotary Social: "Pajama Game" Bloomington Civic Theater

May 8: **Bloomington Ethics Seminar** on White Collar Crime

June 15-18: **Rotary International Convention**, Los Angeles, CA

## Rotary on Cable, Channel 14

### "Economic Development" Dan McElroy

Saturday, March 8, 2008 7:00 PM

Sunday, March 9, 2008 1:00 AM, 7:00 AM, 1:00 PM

### "MN River Valley Audubon Chapter" Ron Windingstad

Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10:00 PM

Wednesday, March 19, 2008 4:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 4:00 PM

Thursday, March 20, 2008 9:00 PM

Friday, March 21 3:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM

## Announcements and Other Business:

# Rotarian Who Shares:

## Marcia Gerdin – sharing throughout a lifetime!

Growing up in a Rotary family it is not surprising that **Marcia Gerdin** would be an active Rotarian. Born in St. Paul, an only child, she graduated from Mankato State College with a BA in Science. She began her professional career as a surgical ICU nurse in Chicago, where she served in the bone marrow unit with Dr. Nagerian. She moved into medical sales as an Account Executive and is now working for Hospira Worldwide, Inc.



Marcia was a Rotary Exchange Student to Brazil in 1975-76. She is now the District 5950-5960 Youth Exchange Officer for Brazil overseeing 120 students. Marcia joined our club in Oct., 2000. She has served on the Board of Directors for three years, participated in Meals on Wheels, Pack to School, Summerfete, our Basketball Tournament, and STRIVE. Marcia has achieved her third Paul Harris Fellow award. Her untiring passion for youth, world understanding, and peace is played out each day in her life. Thank you, Marcia.

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## Mahendra Nath RI Foundation Challenge:



**DID YOU KNOW:** In 1917, Arch Klumpf (pictured right) started Rotary International Foundation with just one small donation. Last year, RI Foundation funded over 25,000 projects averaging \$2,500 each. Quoting Arch, "People can't do much without money and money can't do much without people."

**EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR** is a motto that the Bloomington Noon Rotary Club is taking to heart. **Our goal is 100% participation** from all Rotarians in the club. Team Captain Frank Grazzini is the first captain to report a pledge or a donation from 100% of his entire team! Congratulations! Every member has received an invitation to participate. Respond when your team captain contacts you.

Team (**Jim**) McDonald Captains:      Team (**Jim**) Lucas Captains:

**Dave Senness**  
**Nick Basil**  
**Tom Kendall**  
**Charlie Pokladnik**  
**Adam Johnston**

**Dave Walock**  
**Carolyn Pratt**  
**Marcia Gerdin**  
**John Swaney**  
**Frank Grazzini**

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## Vocational Talk:

### Ron Simmons

Growing up as the middle child of 10, Ron found his individuality by playing hookey from school until he learned that all actions have consequences. He was caught. Fortunately, for Ron, the "authorities" were more concerned about him becoming a successful student than they were about making a point over the rules infraction. It was discovered that Ron had not learned how to read properly and he was already in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Mentors at school took time to show him that he had potential. Ron succeeded in graduating second in his class. Ron came to Minnesota and was welcomed at the University of MN Morris, the first diverse graduate of that school. Ron was experiencing the kind of educational environment that he would later strive to achieve in his career.



Ron excelled in football and was drafted by the Atlanta Falcons. He was moved to the NY Giants, but was never able to make that great breakthrough professionally. He then moved on to grad school in Michigan and in Texas. He worked as a teacher and a coach and honed his skills with students. He achieved his masters degree and a superintendent's license from Hamline University. Ron was Principal at North High School before taking his current position as Principal at Kennedy High School. Ron works to assure that each student at Kennedy has the opportunity to achieve his/her potential.