

E-Rotatler

Week of August 24, 2009

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District 5950, Club 2133 – Since 1947

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



3— **Mary Lahammer**

Almanac:

At the Capital Host

10—**Laura French**

“Social Media

The Power, the Promise

17—**Arthur Klobe WW II**

24—**Tim Kozak**

Secret Service

31—**Tom Doohar**

Education Minnesota



7—**Labor Day**

No Meeting

14—**Murshid Barud**

Somali Leadership Council

21— **Sandy Schley**

District Governor

28—**Ron Gruening &**

Mark Allen

Int'l Fire Relief Mission

AUGUST

Sergeant at Arms

Dick Milnar

Wade Manthie

Jeremiah Tanner

INTRODUCTIONS

3—Dottie Rietow

10—Dottie Rietow

17—Elmer Schindel

24—Ken Skold

31—Ken Skold

MONDAYS MATTER!

Preview of Aug. 24th Meeting!



TIM KOZAK, U.S. SECRET SERVICE

Perhaps this unknown speaker, whose bio is **top secret**, will answer some of these questions about the United States Secret Service

[What is the origin of the Secret Service?](#)

[Who is the Secret Service authorized to protect?](#)

[How long do former presidents receive Secret Service protection after they leave office?](#)

[How does the Secret Service "protect" the president?](#)

[How can I report a threat towards a protectee?](#)

[What legal authority and powers do Secret Service agents have?](#)

[What are the rules for the printing, publishing and illustrations of U.S. currency?](#)

[How many people are employed by the Secret Service?](#)

[Does the Secret Service auction equipment and vehicles that it no longer uses?](#)

Rotary Gala in the Park

Thursday, October 8th

Double Tree Park Place Hotel

Planning meetings at 11 a.m. the first Monday of every month on the terrace above our regular meeting place at the Double Tree.

Overall chair, Nick Lampi



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AVENUES OF SERVICE

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BREAKING NEWS:

NO YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENT THIS YEAR

Because it is so hard to find host families, year after year, St. Louis Park High School will not host a Rotary Youth Exchange student for the school year, 2009-2010 – RYE Officer, Debra Bowers, announced Monday. With no outbound student, it was tough to recruit host families for an inbound student. She is optimistic though about hosting a student next school year.

“DAY ONE” FOR SLP SCHOOLS IS SEPT. 1

The annual DAY ONE first day of school celebration in the St. Louis Park School District, is set for Sept. 1, 2009. SLP Schools are starting earlier than most area districts due to \$300,000 in construction at SLP Junior High on Texas. DAY ONE activities at SLP High School, begin at 7:15 a.m. and Park Rotarians are invited to attend and help welcome back our students.

GALA WINE AND WINE BASKETS NEEDED

ROTARY GALA IN THE PARK sales committee chair, Elmer Schindel, has put out the word that he and his team need unopened and slightly valuable bottles of wine and an array of baskets to create wine baskets to be included in the Silent Auction. All wine and baskets should be given to Tammy Sullivan. Also, more corporate sponsorships (\$500-750) are needed – 7 weeks to go.

SERVICE AWARDS TO BE GIVEN AT GALA

Club Vocational Service Director, Allan Ackerman, announced Monday that the three annual Club Service Recognition Awards will be presented at the Club’s annual ROTARY GALA IN THE PARK, Oct. 8, 2009, 7:30 p.m. at the DoubleTree. The three awards are:

- **The St. Louis Park Rotary Membership Recruitment and Development Award**, presented to a Club member.
 - **The Gil Braun Community Service Award**, presented to a local business or organization, non-member. Last year, the Park Tavern received this award.
- The Mark Sathe Service Above Self Award**, given annually to a Club Rotarian.
- Nomination forms** can be obtained from Ackerman or at the weekly Club registration desk.



FAST FORWARD: *NEXT*

WEEK'S MEETING – MONDAY, Aug. 31, 2009

TOM DOOHER, EDUCATION MINNESOTA

[Thomas A. Dooher](#) is the president of Education Minnesota. Education Minnesota represents 70,000 teacher, education support professionals and higher education faculty members, and it is the first merged state affiliate of the American Federation of Teachers and the National Education Association.

Prior to his election as state president, Dooher served as president of the Robbinsdale Federation of Teachers for 10 years. In July 2008, Dooher was elected as a vice president and member of the AFT Executive Council. He also serves as a member of the NEA's Member Benefits Board of Directors and the Board of Directors of the Great Lakes Center. Dooher has a deep-seated belief in the power of labor unions to improve people's lives and a long family history of union leadership.

Priorities

Dooher wants Education Minnesota to become the trusted source for decisions about education in Minnesota. As president, Dooher will guide Education Minnesota to take the lead on:

- Restoring Minnesota's threatened reputation as a national leader in education.
- Developing academic standards that work for students and educators.
- Ensuring school funding that is equitable, sustainable, predictable and sufficient.
- Securing professional salaries so Minnesota students will continue to be taught by the best educators in the country.
- Finding affordable and accessible health insurance options for educators.

FROM THE PODIUM

PRESIDENT DAVID opened the meeting a week ago by stating there is "a buzz in the air" regarding the excitement and anticipating of this relatively new Rotary year. The *E-Rotatler* staff has learned that the noise, a soft hum, was actually emanating from the hotel's air conditioning system.

SPEAKING OF BUZZ, why were Elmer Schindel and Monica Murphy dressed alike in blaze orange outfits on Monday? Was it to commemorate the orange-colored roasted vegetable soup? After tasting the soup, we hope not. Cute look though!

SPEAKING OF ELMER, congratulations to him and his wife, Bonnie on 46 years of marriage. Monday was the actual anniversary of their marriage – when they exchanged vows at a small Presbyterian church in Stanley, ND.

NICE TO SEE our Treasurer Emeritus, Lynette Fagerberg, back from several Mondays off to spend more time with husband Terry – who is off on Mondays. How sweet!

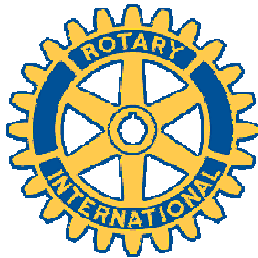
SPEAKING OF MARITAL BLISS, congratulations to Allan Ackerman and his wife, Wendy, on 11 years of marriage – with their anniversary celebrated over the weekend.

PASTOR DAVID'S LEADERSHIP PROVERB:
Don't say someone else's NO for them.

TRF RECOGNITION POINTS in the "bank" for current members (earned from every dollar after the first \$1,000 contributed), can translate into the awarding of up to 10 new Paul Harris Fellows in the club. See Past President Paul.

VOCATIONAL TALKERS STILL IN DEMAND:
Speaking of Allan, Mr. "Vocational Service Director" Ackerman, he continues to seek volunteers to go to the podium and tell their life stories in 3-5 minutes – better known as Vocational Talks. This is not just for newer members. We'd like to hear more from our tenured members as well.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY? Discover the highlights of this day on your own by going to this Web site:
<http://www.nytimes.com/learning/general/onthisday/index.html>



Honoring the
Nine District Governors
Originating from the
**ROTARY CLUB OF
ST. LOUIS PARK**

CARROLL L. HURD
District 174
1952-1953

FRED V. ROGERS
District 595
1961-1962

C. WILLIAM BRIGGS
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1972-1973

JOHN N. MITCHELL
District 595

TOM O'MEARA
District 595
1981-1982

WILLIAM B. GLEESON
District 595
1984-1985

KENNETH L. SKOLD
District 5950
1989-1990

PAUL O. BIERHAUS
District 5950
2002-2003

ROD S. SHILKROT
District 5950
2006-2007

**OUR LEGACY OF
LEADERSHIP**

**THE LEADING DISTRICT 5950
CLUB IN PRODUCING
DISTRICT GOVERNORS!**

REWIND: MEETING of AUG. 17, 2009

WWII VETERAN, ARTHUR H. KLOBE ON D-DAY AND THE PHANTOM ALLIED REGIMENT

We were treated to a special presentation by Art Klobe, 86, formerly of the Twin Cities and now a Naples, FL resident, and a retired Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Army. Klobe told a great story about his involvement in planning and executing the Normandy Invasion of France in 1944. Klobe was made a Lt. Colonel at the ripe old age of 25. He was a staff officer under the command of General Omar Bradley. He expounded on the following:

D-Day involved the invasion of 100,000 Allied troops (U.S., British, Canadian, etc.), crossing the English Channel on 5,000 vessels in a 24-hour period to surprise the Germans and its Nazi army at an undisclosed beachfront in France. The German Panzer division was considered the strongest army in the world.

The Allied Plan was called "Operation Fortitude," which was given the highest level of security and planning of any maneuver during the war.

The plan was to attack no later than June 1, but weather conditions forced Winston Churchill and Frankly Roosevelt to delay the invasion to June 6, D-Day.

The strategy centered around an imaginary "Phantom" army of 300,000-400,000 Allied troops, commanded by Gen. George S. Patton. It was a "fake" assault and it worked to perfection. They used Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade-inspired inflatable's (tanks, trucks, weapons) as decoys. Forty rubber inflated tanks made by Dunlop of England were so lifelike and realistic, German aerial photography could not tell they were fake.

Pate Calais on the French coast was the supposed target of the Allied phantom regiment, but the Germans were fooled into thinking the potential drop area stretched much further north and south of the eventual Allied target.



Klobe was involved in the planning, which took place over a nine-month period, characterized by 16-hour days, seven days a week.

A network of 27 false character sub-agents were planted as part of the phantom planning, providing false information to the Germans, planted message and a clear focus on the false numbers of Allied troops preparing for the invasion. The false messaging clearly positioned this as an assault away from Normandy, where the real invasion took place.

Super agent “Garbo” was the leader of this network of 27 false agents. Garbo was thought to be a German spy, but actually crossed over to the Allied position during the D-Day planning.

Morris Code messaging was instrumental in creating the false messaging that lured the Germans into this hoax. The key was the German’s blind notion that the Allied invasion would not occur without the presence of Patton.

It was July 20, 1944, six to seven weeks after D-Day that the Germans were ready for the Pate Calais invasion by the phantom Allied army, one that never took place.

While Arthur Klobe’s account was well delivered, the author of this account remained confused regarding all the details presented – as you can sense by reviewing the notes above. He suggests further reading on the topic, including Past President Paul’s recommendation of the book, “The Unlikely Spy,” by Daniel Silva, which details this phantom maneuver. Thanks PDG Paul for arranging this wonderful program.

Bierhaus learned of this speaker by reading a Sun Sailor article on his speech before the Rotary Club of Hopkins. Leads of good speakers come from all directions.

DISTRICT & CLUB NEWS

PAST PRESIDENTS’ LUNCHEON SEPT. 2ND

PAST PRESIDENT NICK LAMPI is organizing the annual Past Presidents’ Luncheon to honor the immediate past president – in this case, Paul Bierhaus, a two-time club leader, and PDG. The date is Sept. 2 (at 12 noon) and the location again is the Golden Valley Country Club. Please mark your calendars and RSVP your attendance to this year’s St. Louis Park Rotary’s Past President’s Luncheon.

You can confirm your attendance by e-mailing Nick at Nick.Lampi@edwardjones.com; or call at (952) 935-0782 to confirm directly with Nick or his office administrator, Renee. Also, if you are a member at the Golden Valley Country Club, please let Nick know ASAP so that we are not charged a room rental fee.

District Rotaract & Interact Co-Chairs: Jaffrey Blanks - Minneapolis Rotaract Club, And Christine Taylor – Minneapolis City of Lakes Rotary Club

During the Rotary Year 2009-2010, we intend to help identify, assist in the chartering, and provide consistent support of two additional **Rotaract Clubs** and three **Interact Clubs**. These goals would bring District 5950’s total to three active Rotaract Clubs and four actively-supported Interact Clubs. With District 5950 and Rotary Club-level support, the district is already well on its way to achieving these goals.

Are you curious about what’s happening with the youth



clubs in District 5950 today?

Rotaract around the District...

You'll be excited to learn that **Minneapolis Rotaract**, with over 30 paid members and sponsored by Minneapolis City of Lakes Rotary Club, has begun their new year by completing a playground, built on Portland Avenue in South Minneapolis, and collecting supplies for their backpack project for foster kids in Hennepin County. Minneapolis Rotaract has also moved to a new meeting location. You can now find the Minneapolis Rotaract meeting on the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Center for Changing Lives, 2400 Park Ave South, Minneapolis. Visit them at www.mplsrotaract.org.

On the horizon: The Bloomington Daymakers Rotary Club is working with a group of interested 18-30 year olds to charter the **Rotaract Club of the Athlete Village**, who plan to meet at the Bloomington Ice Garden on France and 98th, beginning this fall. Special thanks are extended to Stephanie Smith for her commitment in supporting this club.

Interact around the District...

The Eden Prairie High School Interact Club has been active for several years under the supervision and inspiration of Jim Eisenreich, school advisor with Eden Prairie AM Rotary Club's support.

On the horizon: We are excited to learn that Minnetonka Rotary Club's Austin Kraft is laying the groundwork to sponsor Minnetonka High School's Interact Club. Chaska Rotary Club's Katy Bloomquist is working to sponsor the Chaska High School's Interact Club. Both are well on their way to gather charter members, student advisors, and Rotary liaisons.

It is our intent to serve as resources, trainers, sounding boards, and all-around cheerleaders for these youth clubs around the District. If you have interested young adults in your area, drop us a line. We'd love to find a way to support your endeavors. Contact Jaffrey Blanks at JBlanks@itrgroupinc.com, 612-670-8470 or Christine Taylor at christine@artsmidwest.org, 612.238.8021.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CANDIDATES SOUGHT FOR 2012

THIRD AND FINAL NOTICE

Nominations Being Sought for District Governor, 2012-2013

Nomination Committee Chair – Chris Holm, Immediate PD This represents the first notice for Nominations for the leadership position, District Governor to serve District 5950 in the 2012-2013 Rotary Year. Nominations are due December 1st, 2009, according to District Nominating Committee Chair, Chris Holm, Immediate PDG, Minneapolis #9.

The makeup of the Nominating Committee, to include the four past immediate PDGs and three club presidents from 2008-2009, one each representing the three membership size classes (to be selected by the Nominating Committee Chair). Interviews are usually in mid-December or mid-January and the deadline date for applications, as stated above, may be extended by the Nominating Committee Chair and sitting DG. Notices for Nominations are published in this newsletter three times, on the District Web site and via official e-mail notice from the District 5950 Office.

The qualifications to serve as District Governor are:

- 1. A Rotarian in good standing.**
- 2. The Rotarian must have full qualifications for membership.**
- 3. The Rotarian must have served a full year as a club president.**
- 4. [Click here for additional eligibility requirements.](#)**

Candidates must complete the Governor-Nominee Data Form ([click here for Word document](#); [click here for PDF](#)) and return it to Holm by 5 p.m., December 1, 2009. If faxing or mailing your application, please send an e-mail to alert me to watch for it.

The date and location for Interviews for the position will be announced in the next newsletter and by e-mail from District Executive Secretary, Diane Confer.



Duties of the District Governor are also outlined in that document (page 26), as well as the nominating procedure (Article 13 of the Bylaws of Rotary International, page 213). The 2004 Manual of Procedure may be downloaded from the RI Web site: http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/035en_full.pdf

Attached is the Governor-Nominee Form which must be completed, signed, and returned so it is received by **Tuesday, December 1, 2009**, to:

Chris Holm, PDG, Nominating Committee Chair,
128 E. 18th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55403

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Chris Holm at **612-879-8275 or (cell) 612-790-1793** or via e-mail to: ChrisHolm5950@gmail.com

Though demanding in many ways, the position of District Governor offers unique and significant opportunities for service. Time management is enhanced for the District Governor through the expanded roles of Assistant Governors and Committee Chairpersons, as well as the support and encouragement of Past District Governors. This is an opportunity to help shape Rotary for the future, to inspire others, and to enjoy a life-changing experience. Remember, ***“The future of Rotary is in your hands.”***

DISTRICT RECOGNITION

Earn a PRESIDENTIAL CITATION This Year!

The Future of Rotary Is In Your Hands

Rotary clubs that help put the **RI Strategic Plan 2007-2010** into action will have a chance to earn the **2009-2010 Presidential Citation**.

“I am confident that by working together through the strategic plan, we will strengthen our capacity to serve,” said RI President, John Kenny, Scotland.

To qualify for the citation, clubs must meet the criteria Kenny has set forth for both service and membership.

For the membership requirement, clubs must achieve a net increase of at least one member.

For the service requirement, clubs must complete an activity in three of the six categories that reflect priorities of the strategic plan: Polio Eradication, public image, service, membership, Vocational Service, and

leadership.

Clubs must complete these requirements between **July 1, 2009 and March 31, 2010**.

Interact and Rotaract clubs may also earn a Presidential Citation by completing two activities from any of the six categories or by participating significantly in two activities with their sponsor club. District Governors will receive special recognition if half or more of the clubs in their district earn the citation

To be eligible, clubs must submit their certification forms and those of the Rotaract and Interact clubs they sponsor to their district governor by **March 31, 2010**. The governor's list of certified clubs must be received at RI World Headquarters by April 15, 2010.

The **Presidential Citation Brochure 2009-2010** (900A-09) is available for download on the RI Web site at www.Rotary.org. Details are included in the brochure.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25, 2009 – FALL TRAINING DAY 2009: Golden Valley Country Club; Golden Valley (Includes AGs/District Leadership, Club Presidents, Club Leaders, and all District 5950 Rotarians)

TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY, OCT. 6-11, 2009 – URBANZONE INSTITUTE, Zones 28-29; Marriott City Center, Downtown Minneapolis, Convened by RI Director Tom Thorfinnson; General Institute Chair, Ron Axel; includes two days of training. Ask PDG Rod Shilkrot for more information.

THURSDAY, OCT. 8 – ROTARY GALA IN THE PARK: Evening, major Park Rotary Fund-raiser; Double Tree Park Place Hotel.

SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 2009 – World Polio Day – help Rotary meet its \$200M challenge.

SATURDAY, JAN. 16, 2010 – MID-TERM ASSEMBLY: St. Cloud (Includes AGs/District Leadership, Club Presidents, Club Leaders, and all District 5950 Rotarians), Radisson Hotel, Downtown St. Cloud.



DISTRICT TRAINING EVENT

Mark your calendar and save the date!

Developing a Legacy of Leadership

2009 District 5950 Fall Training Day!

Focusing on Membership & Foundation

Friday, September 25, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Golden Valley Country Club

Attention all Rotarians with a stake in your club's success!

Membership Chairs
Foundation Chairs
PR Chairs
Service Chairs
Board members
Committee members

Membership

You will:

Learn how to create and implement a workable plan
Learn how to effectively promote your club
Align with a partner to share ideas and be accountable
Leave with new ideas, enthusiasm and commitment to growing your club

Foundation

You will:

Learn how to empower members to become effective Foundation champions
Create a dynamic campaign that allows you to reach your club goals
Become more aware of the service projects benefiting from TRF
Align with a partner from a different club to support each other in giving efforts

In addition to action learning, you can count on the "F" words ...

Fun, Fellowship and Food!

Mark the date now and share the opportunities with any members who are interested in learning more about membership and foundation involvement in your club.

*Susan Spiers – City of Lakes, District Training Chair
Gabie Clark - Minneapolis and Irene Kelly - Eden Prairie Morning, Fall Training Day Co-Chairs*



WORLD POLIO DAY OCT. 24TH

Promote Rotary's \$200M Challenge

District Chair, Polio Plus Campaign – Quinn Tierney, Minneapolis #9

World Polio Day, October 24, is an ideal time to raise public awareness of the ravages of polio and garner support for eradication efforts. Communities are more likely to contribute to **Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge** if they know that ending polio will:

- ***Spare children forever from death and disability caused by the disease. Save an estimated US\$1 billion per year that could be spent on other public health concerns.***

Rotary clubs can use **World Polio Day**, a Saturday, to launch or conclude a full week of activities. For example, clubs could arrange screenings of **The Final Inch** at one or more community theaters.

This Academy Award-nominated 38-minute documentary follows health workers, including Rotarian volunteers, as they immunize children in India. The DVD is available at www.thefinalinch.org (click on screenings at the bottom of the home page).

World Polio Day also commemorates the birthday of Jonas Salk, inventor of the inactivated polio vaccine.

For more examples of ways to observe **World Polio Day**, go to www.rotary.org and search challenge grant fundraising ideas.