



# SPOKESPERSON

HOMWOOD ROTARY CLUB

Chartered 1936 - District 6450

**December 22, 2004**



**Selected 3<sup>rd</sup> Best Club News Letter in the District**

## THE ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?



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3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

**EVERY ROTARIAN ——— EVERY YEAR**

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If God had wanted this newsletter to be perfect, he never would have let me do it!



From your Editor



## CALL TO ORDER December 22, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 pm by Prez Jim. Jane Hindsley accompanied the members in singing "My Country 'Tis Of Thee" The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nancy Dederer; Gary Nordbrock led us in reciting the 4-Way Test. Rick Thiernau offered the invocation after which lunch was served.

## THE MEETING-

Prez Jim announced that there would be no meeting on December 29<sup>th</sup> and that the vote on the proposed raffle changes is being pushed back until January 5, 2005. Happy birthday was sung for the members whose birthdays fall within the waning days of December. Gary Nordbrock received a panoramic photo that had to be at least six feet wide of the Rotary International Convention that was held in Orlando, Florida. Cheri Vana then entertained us with some Christmas trivia questions. Nancy Dederer got most of the answers correct. Marv Commerford missed the answer about what color The Grinch was.

The members then gathered around the piano and sang Christmas Carols played by Jane. Wishing each other a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, the meeting was adjourned until next year.



## Announcements, Activities, Member Contributions



**Please** let **Nancy Dederer**, the *Care and Concern* committee person, know if you are incapacitated for any reason, or if you are going into the hospital. She can be reached by calling either the church (798-0490) or at home (799-2736).



### PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE WEEKLY AND ANNUAL RAFFLES

This issue of the Spokesperson was supposed to contain a document that explains the proposed changes to our weekly raffle and most importantly our annual fund raising raffle. Your editor did not receive the document in time to include in this issue and consequently it will now be sent to you separately as an E-mail. Watch for it; when you get it, it is important that you read and understand its content as you will be asked to vote on each of the proposed changes at the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.



I want to thank **Sandi Jones, Clint Johnson, and Jim Mahan** for the support and help they gave me this past year. Without them this publication could not have been accomplished. (Joe Commerford)

## Significant Dates

December 25-



December 31-



*Happy New Year!*



**January 1, 2005**

January 05— Important club meeting. Vote on rejection or acceptance of proposed raffle changes

### A WISE OBSERVATION OF Melvin B. Tolson



Since we live in a changing universe, why do people oppose change? If a rock is in the way, the root of a tree will change its direction. The dumbest animals try to adapt themselves to changed conditions. Even a rat will change its tactics to get a piece of cheese.



### Knock, Knock Joke Of The Week

Knock, knock.  
Who's there?  
Freddie.  
Freddie who?  
Freddie or not here I come.

### PUN OF THE WEEK



A hair transplant is a reseeded of the receding.





No illnesses were reported this week.

*(If a member of your nuclear family or a member's that you know of is ill, no matter how minor, tell me about it by E-mailing me at [jcommerford@comcast.net](mailto:jcommerford@comcast.net) .*



The raffle this week was won by Kevin Jones.

### ONE LINER OF THE WEEK

According to my doctor it's okay to drink like a fish--as long as I drink what the fish drinks.



### SENIOR MOMENTS WITH HARRY AND VINCE

"You know Harry," said Vince, "When I was young I thought money was the most important thing in life. Now that I'm old ---I know it is." "Boy ain't that the truth" agreed Harry.



### A WISE THOUGHT FROM-Jim Bishop

"Keep in mind---to a dog you are family, to a cat you are staff."

### Words That Could Change Your Life

"You have it easily in your power to increase the sum total of this world's happiness now. How? By giving a few words of sincere appreciation to someone who is lonely or discouraged. Perhaps you will forget tomorrow the kind words you say today, but the recipient may cherish them over a lifetime."

**Dale Carnegie**



*This is our club prayer circle. All members, regardless of their religious affiliation or persuasion, are invited to participate.*

*The names of the people that appear below have been submitted by members who request their inclusion in our prayers.*

*The names will remain listed until their removal is requested.*

**Jerldean Hudson** - terminally ill; **Helen Hale** - chronic illness; **Gary Kent** - who has passed to meet his maker; **Verva Rocke** - recovering from a heart attack; **The men & women of our armed forces**; **Mitch Overgaard** - who has passed to meet his maker; **Ernie Jones** - who has passed to meet his maker.



# This Weeks Poop Sheet

## No Shows

40 members were no shows. Our total membership is 68. Attendance for this meeting was 41%.

## Guests

None

## Visiting Rotarians



None

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

**December-**Geoff Slawson (02<sup>nd</sup>), Rubin Chuquimia (06<sup>th</sup>), Cliff Mora (10<sup>th</sup>), Art Welsh (14<sup>th</sup>), John Townsend (17<sup>th</sup>), Ray Brejcha (24<sup>th</sup>), Bob Wilson (30<sup>th</sup>)

### Club Anniversaries:

**December-** Jerry Palm (04<sup>th</sup>), Bob Hindsley (12<sup>th</sup>)

## The Brain Droppings of George Carlin

“If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhea...does that mean that other one enjoys it?”

## Make-ups by Members

Make-ups reported at this meeting will be listed in the January 5<sup>th</sup> issue.

## Club Locations Which Meet at 12:15 PM

Have you visited another club as DG Elect Rick Thiernau has suggested? You will not only get to meet other Rotarians and compare our club with the one you visited, you'll also get to experience other lunch menus. All of this, and you'll earn a make up as well...Sounds like a deal you can't refuse.

### Monday

*Chicago Hgts:* St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 330 Highland Dr. corner Ashland; 2 blocks South of Joe Orr Rd.

*Evergreen Park:* Baracco's Pizza, 3701 W. 95<sup>th</sup>

*Oak Lawn:* Oak Lawn Hilton, 9333 So. Cicero.

### Tuesday

*Blue Island:* Elks Club, 4428 Midlothian Trnkp, Crestwood

*Chicago-1: (noon)* Chicago Ath. Club, 12 So. Mich. Ave.

*Oak Forest:*Lavery's Pub, 6657 W. South St., Tinley Park

*Matteson:* Holiday Inn I57/Rt.30. Access off of Lincoln Hwy.

### Thursday

*Orland Park:* Silver Lake CC, 151st & 82<sup>nd</sup> Ave

*Park Forest:* Freedom Hall, 410 Lakewood

### Friday

*Hinsdale:* Messina's 30 Prospect, Clarendon Hills

*Lansing:* Lansing C.C., 186<sup>th</sup> & Wentworth

# Meeting Assignments & Program Information



## Greeters

Dec 22- Joe Ledwell

## Invocation

Assigned by Prez Jim

## Sergeants at Arms

Marv & Joe Commerford (set up only)

Rich Isom & Kevin Jones

## Upcoming Programs

### December - 29

No Meeting - Happy New Year

### January - 05

Vote on proposed raffle changes

Aurelio's Restaurant

### January - 12

Glenwood School

### January - 19

Illinois Tollway Authority

Calumet Country Club

### January - 26

Rotary Foundation

Calumet Country Club

## Club Information

### Officers 2004-2005

#### *International President*

Glenn E. Estess, Sr.

#### *District Governor*

Chris Reilly

#### *President*

Jim Mahan

#### *President-Elect*

Geoff Slawson

#### *Directors*

Mike Ryan

Cheri Vana

Geoff Slawson

Jack Edwards

Steve Marks

#### *Treasurer*

Bob Hindsley

#### *Secretary*

Sandi Jones

#### *Past President*

Gary Nordbrock

#### *Foundation President*

Walt Flor

#### *Web Link*

([www.homewoodrotary.org](http://www.homewoodrotary.org))

The following documents can be viewed and/or printed from our Web Site,

[www.homewoodrotary.org](http://www.homewoodrotary.org)

1. [Program suggestion form](#)
2. [Committee involvement Roster](#)

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