



SPOKESPERSON

ROTARY CLUB OF HOMEWOOD

THE ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

District 6450

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www.homewoodrotary.org

July 11, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

President Jack Edwards called the assembly to order at 12:15 P.M.

We sang *God Bless America* accompanied by **Jane Hindsley** on the piano.

Allan Lock led us in The Pledge of Allegiance, and **Sandi Jones** led us in the 4 Way Test.

Mike Dunn offered the invocation.

New Look for the Spokesperson

Did you notice the *Spokesperson* looks a little different today?

Editor **Joe Commerford** decided to let me try my hand at the newsletter. Joe did a superb job! He received numerous compliments and words of thanks including recently receiving an award for the second best newsletter in our district. What a hard act to follow!

I realize there is no way I could do as good a job as he did, so I am going to try a little different look. Please give me your feedback as I struggle along.

By the way, Joe offered to continue to take the pictures.

A very special thank you to Joe for all his hard work in the past and for his assistance as I start on my newest adventure.

- New Editor **Mary Klinefelter**

MEETING PROCEEDINGS

To kick off the meeting we sang *Smile and the World Smiles with You*.

Rick Thiernau swore in **Roger Bovenkerk** for the Homewood Foundation.

Nancy Dederer informed the club that the memorial for **Rick Thiernau's** father will be at the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, July 22 at 2:00 PM.

Rick Isom asked for volunteers for the Farmers' Markets on Saturday. Please see Rick if you can help.

Greg Habas needs volunteers for the Corn Roast on July 13-15. Please let Greg know if you will be able to help on any of those days.

Past President **Mike Ryan** gave awards to **Gerry Bradley** (Foundation) and **John Blakely** (Perfect Attendance).

The *Homewood Rotary Picnic* will be at **Lois and Martin Anthonisen's** house on July 21 @ 4:00 PM.

Rotary Night at the Theatre will be on August 11. Please see Nick Markionni for tickets.

See **Colin Alpert** for tickets for *Jazz in the Park* on July 29.

Diane Habas provided labels to place on our Rotary magazines, so we could recycle them at offices, etc.



This week's raffle was won by Bob Wilson.

PROGRAM

Rob Calhoun spoke about student exchange programs.

Rob was an exchange student in Columbia about 20 years ago. He said it was a very special year and he learned a lot. He knew only a few words in Spanish when he arrived but eventually learned the language.

He asked us to promote and support student exchange programs.

Rob is now a Lincolnway East High School music teacher.



At the conclusion of the program Pres. Jack Edwards adjourned the meeting at 1:30 P.M

Announcements, Activities, Member Contributions

- **Program Suggestions:** If you have a suggestion for a program, please e-mail Program Chair Gary Nordbrock at nordbrck@aol.com
- **Foundation Board:** The Foundation Board has revised the current request form to reflect a member oriented approach and recognize two tenets of the four-way test. The new form can be located on the club web page www.homewoodrotary.org/spokes.htm. Copy and print this form as you wish.—Jim Mahan
- **Care and Concern Committee:** Please let Nancy Dederer, *Care and Concern Committee* chair, know if you are incapacitated for any reason or are going into the hospital. She can be reached at the church (798-0490) or at home (799-2736).
If a member of your nuclear family or any Rotarian that you know of is ill, no matter how minor, tell about it by e-mailing me at mklinefelter@prairiestate.edu



Rotary Loan Closet

If you are aware of anyone in the Homewood-Flossmoor area in temporary need of a wheelchair, crutches, walker, or any other medical appliance, please have them contact the Rotary Loan Closet at (708) 747-8989. This phone number is monitored by an answering machine 24/7 and all requests will be acknowledged quickly.

CLUB OFFICERS FOR ROTARY YEAR 2007-2008

Jack Edwards (President)

Cheri Vana (President Elect)

Steve Marks (Secretary)

Bob Hindsley (Treasurer).

Board of Directors: **Mike Reagan, Pam Hollich, Diane Habas, Rich Isom**



WISE DEFINITIONS

Alimony: the high cost of leaving.

Jury: a group of 12 people selected to decide who has a better lawyer.

PUN OF THE WEEK

A husband came into the house all wet and disheveled. His wife exclaimed, “Oh dear, it’s raining cats and dogs outside!”

“You’re telling me,” he replied, “I just stepped in a poodle.”



RANDOM THOUGHTS of Abe Martin

Never slap a man in the face – especially when he’s chewing tobacco.



SIGNIFICANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturdays through October – Homewood’s Farmer’s Market, 17951 Dixie Hwy.

July 13-15 Homewood Days – Rotary Corn Roast Booth

July 21 Homewood Rotary Family Picnic and Pool Party – Martin and Lois Anthonisen’s residence, 2039 Vollmer Road, Flossmore, 4:00 PM

July 29 – Third Annual Jazz in the Park – Fund Raiser at Governor’s State University

July 30 - Monday Chicago Heights Rotary Pig and Corn Roast, Veterans Park off Halsted Street. Dinner from 3-6 PM. Program at 7:00 PM. The Homewood Club is participating. Members are encouraged to attend the Pig and Corn Roast and can receive discounted tickets (\$5 member price instead of the general admission of \$20 per person). Tickets can be purchased from **Michael Krokidas**.

Honor or memorialize your loved ones with gifts of love and friendship

You can honor or memorialize a loved one by making a Memorial/Tribute gift in their honor to the Homewood Rotary Club Foundation. Your gift will honor them and help the Foundation continue its mission of charitable funding in the community. If this is something you wish to do, please see the Foundation Vice President for more information.

This is our Club Prayer Circle

All members, regardless of your religious or spiritual affiliation or persuasion, are invited to participate. The names and occasions that appear below have been submitted by members who requested their remembrance in our prayers or meditation.

The entries will remain listed until their removal is requested.

Shirley Ledwell – diagnosed with a tumor; **Helen Hale** – chronic illness; the **Men & Women of our Armed Forces**; the **Solders, Sailors & Marines** who lost their lives in service to our country; **Rick Thiernau family** for the loss of Rick's Father and fellow Rotarian, PDG, and PP; the **Howard Bayles Family** for the loss of their beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather and long-time Rotarian; the **Arthur Welsh Family** for the loss of their loving Wife, Mother and Grandmother Laverne; **Sol Roche** – recovering from heart by-pass surgery; **Cliff Mora's sister, Gladys Marco** - hospitalized after suffering a stroke.



This Week's Poop Sheet

Attendance

47 Members attended this week's meeting.

BE AWARE OF WHO'S HERE - Look around and be aware of members who are consistently conspicuous by their absence. It wouldn't hurt to contact these people and make a well being check. You just might brighten their day and save our club from losing a valuable member.

Guests: Rob Calhoun, Claude Bond, Pete Juricic, and Caryl Brooke

Visiting Rotarians: None

Member Birthdays and Club Anniversaries

Birthdays

JULY – Scott Doerfler (5th), Marv Commerford (6th), Michael Krokidas (30th)

Club Anniversaries:

JULY – Cliff Mora (1st), Sandi Jones (28th)

Meeting Assignments & Program Information

Greeters

July 18 **Mike Dunn**

July 25 **Walter Flor**

August 1 **Mark Franz**

Sergeants at Arms

Marv & Joe Commerford (set up only)

Rich Isom

Upcoming Programs (Prog. Chair-Gary Nordbrock)

CLUB BOARD MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS FOR ROTARY YEAR 2007-2008

Director Club Service - **Diane Habas**

Director Community Service - **Rich Isom**

Director Vocational Service - **Steve Marks**

Director International Service - **Mike Reagan**

Foundation Liaison - **Mike Ryan**

Neighboring Rotary Clubs meeting at 12:15 PM

Have you visited another club? You will get to meet other Rotarians, compare clubs, and experience other lunch menus. All this and you'll earn a make up as well...sounds like a meal deal you can't refuse.

Monday

Chicago Heights: Chicago Heights Park District, East Course Pavilion, Halsted St. & Vollmer Rd.

Evergreen Park: Baracco's Pizza, 3701 W. 95th

Oak Lawn: Oak Lawn Hilton, 9333 S. Cicero Ave.

Tuesday

Blue Island: Elks Club, 4428 Midlothian Trnpg, Crestwood

Chicago-1: (noon) the Union League Club, 65 W. Jackson Blvd.

Oak Fores:. Midlothian Country Club, 5000 147th St.

Matteson: Dusties Southern Style Buffet, 4012 Lincoln Hwy

Thursday

Orland Park: Silver Lake CC, 151st & 82nd Ave

Park Forest: Freedom Hall, 410 Lakewood

Friday

Hinsdale: Messina's 30 Prospect, Clarendon Hills

Lansing: Popolano's Rest., 17940 Torrence, Lansing, IL



Club Information

Officers Rotary Year 2007-2008

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Rich Isom

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Geoff Slawson

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WEAR YOUR ROTARY PINS DAILY TO CREATE MORE AWARENESS OF ROTARY BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC. -- PDG Rick Thiernau