

Calendar of Events

- May 26: Life in a Refugee Camp—Robinson Cook
June 2: SBDC & Economic Development—Julie Nelson
June 9: Strive Banquet—Cheryl Olson
June 10: Board Meeting—US Bank
June 16: 75th Anniv. of Mankato Rotary Club—Luke Robinson
June 23: S.E.R.E—Dr. Robinson
June 30: TBA
July 7: Picnic

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say, or do . . .

First—Is it the Truth?

Second—Is it Fair to all concerned?

Third—Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

Fourth—Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Rotary Websites

www.mankatorotary.org
District: www.rotary5960.org
International: www.rotary.org



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Log on to our website and look to the lower left of our home page for the "Rotary Club One" icon shown above.

You may contribute to the on-line club if you desire.



Wednesday, May 26, 2010

ROTARY CLUB OF MANKATO

Chartered January 11, 1935

P.O. Box 63 Mankato, MN 56002
Wednesdays, 12:10 p.m.
Meetings at Old Main Village

Rotary Year 2009-2010

CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS:

Luke Robinson - President
Wes Taylor- President Elect
Nick Meyer - Secretary
Gordon Gibbs - Executive Secretary/Treasurer
Gordon Gibbs - Past President
Kenny Klooster - Membership
Larissa Mrozek- Public Image
Don Putzier - Website/Newsletter
Mark Piepho - Community and Club Service
Jonathon Zierdt - Literacy
Don Friend - International Service
Dave Sunderman & Doug Johnson - Rotary Foundation
Jim Santori - Programs
Asst. District Governor—John Murphy

MANKATO ROTARY CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010
Old Main Village Mankato, MN

WELCOME: The meeting was called to order at 12:20 PM by Luke Robinson. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Gordon Gibbs gave the invocation. John Votca lead members in reciting the Four-Way test.

GUESTS: None

VISITING ROTARIANS: None

BIRTHDAYS: Jennifer Homer, May 22; Don Putzier and Gary Rudolf, May 23.

HAPPY DOLLARS: Happy Dollars were donated to Habitat for Humanity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

STRIVE Banquet – June 9, 6 p.m. at the Best Western (change of location from SCC).

Mankato Rotary 75th Anniversary program, June 16th – we need any old photos and other items of interest to be displayed at the program. In addition, volunteers are needed to prepare a 75th Anniversary program. Please contact Luke Robinson if you'd like to help out.

Pass the Gavel Picnic July 7th.

Red Cross Blood Drive (Nathan Crane).

Long time Rotarian Harold Paulsen passed away. Harold contributed greatly to the Mankato Rotary Club and had perfect attendance for about 40 years.

PROGRAM: Luke Robinson held a club meeting to discuss various issues regarding fundraising activities and ideas for future fundraisers.

Rotary praises U.S. leaders for effort to end polio

By Ryan Hyland
Rotary International News --
18 May 2010



Senator Mark Begich (left) receives the Polio Eradication Champion Award from RI President-elect Ray Klinginsmith.

In recognition of their ongoing support of a polio-free world, four members of the U.S. Congress and one government official received Rotary's Polio Eradication Champion Award on 5 May in Washington, D.C. The award, presented by RI President-elect Ray Klinginsmith and Past RI President James L. Lacy, chair of the Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force for the United States, was established in 1995 to recognize governments and world leaders who have made outstanding contributions toward the goal of eradicating polio.

The 2010 recipients include Maria Otero, Under Secretary of State for Democracy and Global Affairs; Senators Mark Begich, of Alaska, and Ron Wyden, of Oregon; and Representatives Phil Roe, of Tennessee, and Henry Waxman, of California.

Lacy acknowledged the continued work of the U.S. government in securing critically needed funds for polio eradication. "The leadership of these individuals has been crucial to ensuring that every child is protected," he said. "Together we can make sure no child anywhere will ever again suffer the crippling effects of polio."

Since the mid-1980s, the government has contributed \$1.7 billion to the cause. President Barack Obama also announced a global push for polio eradication in conjunction with the Organization of the Islamic Conference during a 2009 speech in Cairo. The location was chosen for its symbolism: Ancient Egyptian artwork features the earliest known depictions of people disabled by the disease.

In addition to the 2010 honorees, Lacy acknowledged the ongoing leadership of the more than 40 other members of Congress whom Rotary has previously recognized. "The progress made toward polio eradication is seen through the collective achievement of the current and past congressional recipients of the Polio Eradication Champion Award," he said. "When Congress began its support of this effort, nearly 60 countries had polio. Today there are only four countries. We must maintain this level of dedication to end polio forever."

For the full article, go to www.rotary.org under the news section.