

## Upcoming Programs

August 5: Children's Museum—Peter Olson

August 12: Disabled American Veterans

August 19: Rotary International Convention—  
Luke Robinson

August 26: CO2 and Planet—Benco's Wade  
Hensel

## 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



Did you know that you can learn great new things about Rotary and other related topics on-line, and receive make-up credit if you missed a meeting?

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, August 5, 2009

# 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  
Becky Kunst - Secretary  
Roger Kontak - Executive Secretary/Treasurer  
Gordon Gibbs - Past President  
Kenny Klooster - Membership  
Larissa Mrozek- Public Image  
Don Putzier - Website  
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, July 29, 2009

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. **Hugh Miller** gave the invocation. **Patty Christiansen** led members in reciting the Four-Way test.

**GUESTS:** There were no guests today.

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** **Phyllis Votca** was visiting from the North Mankato Rotary Club.

**BIRTHDAYS:** There were no member birthdays noted for the next week.

**HAPPY DOLLARS:** Happy Dollars were donated to **MRCI**.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mankato is hosting the 2010 district Conference April 8, 9, and 10. **Larissa Mrozek** is co-chairing this.
- GSE outbound teams to India and Nigeria are forming. Applications for leaders (Rotarians) are due August 15 (India) and September 20 (Nigeria). Team members must be age 25-40 and non-Rotarians.
- **Gordon Gibbs** indicated that a Group Friendship Exchange with South Africa will take place July 1-12, 2010. Watch for applications for a trip to South Africa.

**PROGRAM:** **Don Friend** presented a program regarding nuclear waste and concerns about its handling and disposal.

## August is Membership and Club Extension Month

### Membership

Membership Growth is important! Imagine that your club were to lose ten percent of its members. How would that affect your service program? What projects might not be completed? Which ones might never have been started? Now consider what your club could accomplish with ten percent, five percent or even two percent more members. Think about the expertise you could add to your club's overall profile simply by filling all open classifications. Every new Rotarian brings a range of personal and professional resources and knowledge that can greatly strengthen your club's ability to serve throughout the community and the world.

### Club Extension

Club Extension is the heart of Rotary growth. The initiation of a new Rotary club makes a major contribution to furthering Rotary goals and programs. Because Rotary is interested in not just starting new clubs, but also in maintaining its strong image of leadership, commitment to service and established procedures, extension is the area in which careful preparation and study are essential. Supervision and cooperation of Rotary International, the District Governor, the Extension committee, the sponsoring Rotary club and the organizers within the new club is a must. This committee assists the District Governor in the extension of Rotary in the District, assists the District Governor in a survey of a proposed locality for a new club and renders assistance to the sponsoring club with emphasis on charter night.

More information is available at the District Website.



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Go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) for more information on donating.

After over 20 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions.

Your contribution will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high. Even if you have already donated, or have been generous to the Rotary Foundation, please try to give a little extra to help in this effort.