

Upcoming Programs

September 17: Diversity Council

September 24: How Our Schools are using
Technology

October 1: Lee McGrath, Institute for Justice on
“eminent domain”

October 8: Twin Rivers Arts Council

October 15: To Be Determined

October 22: Mankato Area Children in Need

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

September 25, 2008
Board Meeting

September 19, 2008
MoonStruck! Golf Tour-
nament

September 20, 2008
RACE FOR ROTARY

September 25, 2008
Austin Rotaract Club
Party



Wednesday, September 17, 2008

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 2008-2009

CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS:

Gordon Gibbs - President

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Wes Taylor - Secretary

Roger Kontak - Executive Secretary/Treasurer

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Jonathon Zierdt - Literacy

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Jim Santori - Programs

John Murphy - Area 3 Assistant District Governor

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



New Country added to Rotary Map

MANKATO ROTARY CLUB MEETING MINUTES

**September 17, 2008
Old Main Village
Mankato, MN**

WELCOME: President **Gordon Gibbs** opened the meeting with a greeting at 12:20 PM. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. **Oscar Anderson** gave the invocation and **Pam Jagdfeld** led members in reciting the Four-Way test.

VISITING ROTARIANS: Visiting Rotarians in attendance were **Dr. Margaret Preska**.

GUESTS: **Bill Webster, Vivian Pfaffinger, John Alessio, Joe Orchard, Cassandra Roschen** .

BIRTHDAYS: Rotarians celebrating a birthday between this meeting and the meeting on September 17 are **John Votca**.

MAKE DREAMS REAL: **Keith Stover**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Sustainable Communities – Bill Frietag
- Service above Self Committee – September 15 - 3:30 at SCC
- Rochester Meeting
- Rotary Exchange Student Report – Got golf clubs for Ake. Thanks Roger!

PROGRAM: **Todd Hunter**.



Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out.
Robert Collier

Members of the first Rotary club in the island nation of Kiribati spent a week in August celebrating its charter. On 11 August, RI General Secretary Ed Futa, on behalf of the RI Board, approved a charter for the Rotary Club of Kiritimati, Line Islands, Republic of Kiribati, adding another nation to the more than 200 countries and geographical areas on the Rotary map.

"Rotary will have an important and positive impact on improving the lives of people in Kiritimati (formerly Christmas Island)," says club president Ruta Uatioa. "Rotary represents leadership, something we are excited to adopt here."

The 35-member club, along with guest Rotarians from District 9920 and the United States, held its first official club meeting on 23 August, the kickoff to the weeklong festivities. As part of the week's programming, Kiritimati club members visited schools and hospitals to assess potential projects.

Participating in the activities were members of the Rotary Club of Commerce City, Colorado, USA, who led multiple World Community Service (WCS) projects on Kiritimati and were instrumental in introducing Rotary to the islands. George Maybee, a member of the Commerce City club, has vacationed with his wife, Sharon, on the island for years. During a trip in 2006, Maybee became convinced his club should get involved with helping people there.

A year later, the club launched a multiphase WCS project consisting of improved medical care, water quality, and educational opportunities.

The club then joined efforts with Past District 9220 Governor Warwick Pleass, who was already working with RI to get a club chartered in Kiribati. Maybee and members from the Rotary Club of Suva East, Fiji, made several trips to Kiritimati to help a provisional club.

Kiribati (pronounced KEER-ah-bhass) consists of 33 islands scattered across 2,400 miles of the Pacific Ocean, with a population of more than 105,000. The three main groupings are the Gilbert Islands, Phoenix Islands, and Line Islands.



Governor Jack Davies of District 9220 presents the Rotary Club of Kiritimati charter certificate to club president Ruta Uatioa. *Photo by Sharon Maybee*