

## Upcoming Programs

Oct. 28: Profile: Cherry Creek Cabinet-works—Gary Rudolf

Nov. 4: World of Hot Rods!—Greg Bednar

Nov. 11: India Foreign Exchange Student—Sagar

Nov. 18: Holiday Sharing Tree & Kiwanis—Liz Brown/Stewart Ross

Dec. 9: Christmas Party (evening)

## 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, October 28, 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  
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Jim Santori - Programs  
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## MANKATO ROTARY CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 21, 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. **Bill Anderson** gave the invocation. **Carol Larson** led members in reciting the Four-Way test.

**GUESTS:** **Don Keepers**, guest of **Jerry Keenan**; **Andy Frietag**, guest of **David Frietag**

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** None.

**BIRTHDAYS:** **Jennifer Pfeffer** has a birthday on October 23; **Jerry Bamberg** has a birthday on October 26; **Paul Wilkinson** has a birthday on October 26.

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Board meeting at different date this month due to conflict with STRIVE board meeting. We will meet instead on Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m. (U.S. Bank board room).

The annual District 5960 Rotary Foundation Celebration will take place Saturday, November 7 at the Crowne Plaza Riverfront Hotel on Kellogg Boulevard in downtown St. Paul. The social hour will begin at 6:00 PM; dinner, entertainment, and program to follow. And, in case you've never been to one before we will have both a silent auction (including Youth Exchange items from their countries) and a live auction to raise money for The Rotary Foundation.

The Chanhassen Dinner Theater show this year is the musical "Footloose."

The Service Above Self award committee is seeking nominations for this year's award. The committee's next meeting is November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact Gordon Gibbs with nominations.

### PROGRAM:

A Rotary International video was shown, inspiring us in what Rotary does.



## How polio affected their lives

By Antoinette Tuscano  
Rotary International News -- 23 October 2009

For as little as US\$0.60 worth of vaccine, a child can be protected against polio for life. *Rotary Images*

**Historically, polio has been one of the greatest causes of disability.**

Polio survivors and their families know all too well how the disease attacks the motor neurons of the brainstem, causing breathing difficulty and sometimes death. Some know what it's like to spend years, and maybe a lifetime, recovering from the disease. For as little as US\$0.60 worth of vaccine, a child can be protected against polio for life. Total eradication is vital. If polio isn't eradicated, the world will continue to live under the threat of the disease, with more than 10 million children at risk of becoming paralyzed over the next 40 years. World Polio Day was 24 October, and we asked polio survivors to share their personal reasons for ending polio now. Read what they had to say below.

### Ann Lee Hussey

Ann Lee Hussey is governor-elect of District 7780 (parts of Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire, USA) and a member of the Rotary Club of Casco Bay-Sunrise (Portland Area), Maine. Hussey, chair of the Rotarian Action Group for [Polio Survivors and Associates](#), contracted the disease when she was 17 months old, in July 1955. Her brother and uncle also had polio. Hussey says the disease temporarily paralyzed her from the waist down.

"My earliest recollections are my surgeries; constant physical therapy; Easter egg hunts from a wheelchair in the hospital; hot, heavy, and itchy plaster of Paris casts; heavy metal braces with leather straps; Buster Brown shoes with soles to accommodate my braces; a special janitor, Mr. Clark, who carried me up the stairs at school; continuing stares as I walked down the street; the inability to walk barefoot or to run; and the struggle of buying shoes.

"No child should have to suffer from the crippling effects of polio when it is totally preventable. If we stop, polio will return with a vengeance to places where today's children do not even know what polio is. Rotary made a promise, and we keep our promises."

Go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) for more information on donating and to read the remainder of this article.

