

The Rotary Gale

Report of the Galesburg Rotary Club meeting of July 2, 2009

TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter: Gordon Augur
Presiding: Darrell Lovell
Guest & VR: Lee Farrar
Cashier: Tom Brown and Sue Dutell
Invocation: Dave Rice
Song Leader: Rick Brown

BIRTHDAYS:

Quentin Btown. Patrick Englehaupt, Steve Jones, Scott Peet, Nathan Wallace, Susan Dutell, Tom Maloney, Bud Davis, Steve Hawkinson,

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- July 9: Dave Rice—Underground Coal Mining
- July 16: Jackie Steffen—IYE for last year to Ecuador.
- July 23: District Governor Larry Thompson
- July 30: Don Moffitt—Illinois Government in Flux

VISITING ROTARIANS

- Don Peterson, Las Vegas Rotary
- Justin Inskeep, Galesburg Sunrise Rotary
- Dan Ashton, Monmouth Rotary

GUESTS:

- New President Carl Strauch brought his wife Debbie and daughter, Laurie.
- Retiring President Darrell Lovell brought his wife, Nancy
- Sherry Foster brought Denise Conway.

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Chuck Farrar** thanked President Carl who brought a present for him, a tie commemorating the convention.
- **Sue Dutell** wanted to correct two errors. 1. She is not a director of Big Brothers Big Sisters and, 2. Her birthday is in April, not in July..
- **Don Peterson** was very grateful. He and his wife came back to Galesburg to sell their property here. They listed the property on Monday and sold it on Tuesday.
- **Ed Peterka** was also grateful to our incoming president who had also brought him a nice tie from the Birmingham convention.
- **Steve Hawkinson** didn't have a buck but wanted to express his concern about how the music had declined in our club.
- **Dave Rice** gave a dollar for **Steve** because he had donated stone that **Dave** could take out to Cub Scout Day camp so his Cub Scouts could earn their geologist badge.
- **Steve Hawkinson** found a dollar for that kind word. Especially since it was only about 30 cents worth of rock.
- **President Carl** donated \$5 in thanks for having attended the Rotary Convention. It is something everyone should do and he asked his wife if she had fun there. She agreed she did but there were all those pins. **Carl** suggested that next year the convention will be in Montreal and the year after in New Orleans. In the years following it will be much further away. Everyone should consider going. He also thanked the club for sending them.

Announcements:

Mike Godsil warned everyone that the Galesburg Rotary Club Foundation will meet on July 10 rather than July 3 in view of the holiday weekend. The meeting will be as usual in the Conference Room at the Bondi Building. **Tom Brown**, as club treasurer, did not want to correct our esteemed incoming club president but want to suggest that if we are going to send everyone we wait until the International Convention is held in Knoxville, Illinois, that is.

Note of Historical Interest:

Retiring President Darrel posed a question for the club. Only two signers of the Declaration of Independence actually signed the document on the Fourth of July 1776. Who were they? He was sure that if Judge Harry Bulkeley were here he would be able to answer that question but he is not. So he took pity on the club and told everyone it was John Hancock and Charles Thompson. Most of the rest signed on August 2. The last signature was not added until five years later.



Retiring President Darrell Lovell recognized our oldest living former President who is still an active member of our club, **Chauncey Brown** who was the club president in 1966-1967, our 53rd. He also reported having called **Bob Cannon**, our 49th president in 1962-1963, to invite him to attend today. **Bob** said he was still too unsteady on his feet to come today.

Rotary License plates have become available and a portion of the fee goes to the Rotary Foundation.

He reminded everyone that as of July 1, 2009 the club dues are now to be paid. The dues are \$175 if paid in one installment and \$90 each if paid in two installments, due on July 1 and November 1 of this year. An invoice was sent to each club member and the dues are payable to the club treasurer, **Tom Brown**.

Incoming President Carl Strauch announced the roster book will be out shortly because we had a delay in completing them. He thanked **Rick Brown** who helped in getting the materials collected for the books and then oversaw the final stages of production.

Past President Rick Brown was called upon to do the induction of officers for the Rotary Year 2009-2010.

Past President Rick Brown noted that in more than 200 countries around the world Rotarians have undergone a total change in leadership of their Rotary Clubs, Districts and in half the Rotary Zones as well as the Rotary Presidency. He then administered the oath of offices to the new officers of the Galesburg Rotary Club and called upon **Retiring President Darrell Lovell** for some final remarks as President.

Darrell spoke of his coming to learn of what Rotary is all about and also had the opportunity to represent the club in our district and around the world. "It has been a privilege and an opportunity to work with my predecessors and successors."

President Carl Strauch thanked Darrell for his year of service and presented him with a plaque commemorating his year of service and a Past President's pin.

President Carl noted that he had the pleasure of hearing the new President of Rotary, John Kenny, speak on three different occasions and while there are no fixed goals for membership he has urged clubs to continue growing.

He especially want to thank **Past President Rick Brown** has been a great help in the past year and who has agreed to stay on the board next year as Travelogue Chair.



ROTARIANS: You may want to advertise in the program for Travelogue in the coming year. A new, newspaper-type format will allow space for advertising. Your business can be among the first. Remember we have a dedicated Audience. See Rick Brown for details.



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**John Kenney
RI President**

The Rotary Gale

Report of the Galesburg Rotary Club meeting of July 9, 2009

TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Rick Brown
Cashier:	Tom Brown
Invocation:	Bill Abel
Song Leader:	Bob Herath
Introductions:	Tom Maloney
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- July 16 RYE Jackie Steffen
- July 23 District Governor Larry Thompson, of Godfrey, IL, will be here for his official visit
- July 30 Representative Don Moffitt will report on recent developments in the State of Illinois. (Did someone mention California?)

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Katie Herath was invited to Rotary by her dad, Bob Herath.
- Denise Conway, of Galesburg Wellness Center, was a guest of Sherry Foster.
- Harold Watters brought his brother Marvin to Rotary.
- Harrel Timmons introduced Roberto Puerto and Miguel Gonzales—airplane people from Venezuela.
- Chuck Bednar visited from Oak Park.

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Rick Brown's son, Nathan, was presented a Paul Harris Fellow award by the Bloomington club. Former member Mike Robson was involved. (Mike Robson left Galesburg several years ago, but he requested that his subscription to the Rotary Gale be continued.)
- Steve Cramer expects to welcome his 7th grandchild soon, as his son and daughter-in-law are leaving tomorrow to pick up their new child from Ethiopia. Steve and Carol will be taking care of Scott and Jenna's children while they are gone.
- Don and Nancy Brown's three children and their families recently returned home for a week-long reunion. Don offered dollars for their visit, their helpfulness, and for their safe return to their own homes.

BOARD BUSINESS

- Chad Eisele submitted a letter of resignation from membership in the club. He cited the demands on his time from work and family as the reason for his being unable to attend Rotary meetings on a regular basis.
- The board is at work to find a new faculty advisor and a Rotary liaison for the GHS Interact Club.
- We have committed to hosting an inbound Rotary Youth Exchange student for the 2010-11 year.

"The old catalogue listed goods which were considered sacred. Men, women and children bowed before them in abject humility. Whether in church, on the golf course or at a Rotary club luncheon, their thoughts were upon them. They were listed in the catalogue as possessions. Whatever the spoken prayer may have been, too oft the inner prayer was: "God grant us abundant possessions." The hunger for possessions obscured the desire for the wholesome things of life; it was pervasive of morals, inimical to higher concepts, destructive of real happiness, devastating."

Paul P. Harris in his message to the 1934 Convention in Detroit

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Steve Cramer called on a good Boy Scout to come to the rescue when a vacancy developed in the program schedule, and Dave Rice agreed to be the speaker today.

Dave left the military in 1972 with no job, no insurance, and a pregnant wife. Medical insurance was an important part of his job search, and he discovered that the UMW insurance wasn't concerned with pre-existing conditions. The mining industry paid well, and when Dave told them about his military experiences with explosives, he was hired. His first job in the mines was working with explosives underground. He spent the next 14 years underground, and then he moved to surface mines for 6 years. He eventually moved up to management positions involving his knowledge of mine operation and safety before moving on to find a job as a polymer chemist that matched his college training.

Dave discussed some of his experiences as a miner in south-eastern Ohio working a seam of coal that was down 250'. He mentioned some of the things that can go wrong underground, making mining one of the most dangerous occupations on the earth. Cave-ins are a constant threat, and workers need to be constantly aware of "squeeze" that can indicate an impending collapse of the roof. Poisonous gasses, such as carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, and methane are constant threats, and high volumes of fresh air must be supplied to all parts of the mine to prevent disaster from gasses. Fire and floods add to the risks that miners face. Precautions need to be taken to prevent dust explosions.

The talk included many other facts about mining and new developments in the industry.



MAC'S MATH

HOW DO YOU GROW \$1,000 INTO \$23,000?

Start with money from our Happy Buck fund	\$ 1,000.00
Add contribution from Sunrise Club	\$ 1,000.00
Add contribution from Mac's Kentucky friend	\$ 1,000.00
Add contribution from another friend	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 4,000.00
Mac's magic multiplier of various Rotary matching grants	<u>\$19,250.00</u>
Total amount available for our Philippine project	\$23,250.00

(You will have to ask Mac how he did that but it sure looks like magic!)

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Report of the Galesburg Rotary Club meeting of July 16, 2009

TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Bruce Barkley
Cashier:	Tom Brown Sue Dutell
Invocation:	Mike Clark
Song Leader:	Steve Cramer
Introductions:	Howard Tolley
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- July 23 District Governor Larry Thompson, of Godfrey, IL, will be here for his official visit
- July 30 Representative Don Moffitt will report on recent developments in the State of Illinois.
- August 6 China Experience - Natalie Trisilla
- August 13 Heritage Days Tomahawk Throwing - Bob Franey

NEW MEMBER INTRODUCED

Sherry Foster introduced our newest member, Denise Conway. Denise was born and raised in the East Galesburg area and graduated from Knoxville High School and CSC. She has worked for 30 years as a computer programmer with most of this career spent in computer support for the trucking industry.

Denise moved to Oklahoma City after Munson Transportation closed. She stayed in Oklahoma City for 8 years. During that time she met and married another computer programmer, Dennis Conway, and they formed D & D Computers. They moved back to the Galesburg area 15 years ago, and D & D still provides computer programming services for the trucking industry.

Dennis went back to school and became a chiropractor in 2002. The couple established Galesburg Wellness Center in 2007, and Denise manages that business in addition to D & D Computers. Denise is active in Community Bible Church in Knoxville, and she enjoys sewing, crafts, biking, boating, fishing, traveling/cruises, the beach and spending time on their back deck.



VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Harold Watters re-introduced Amanda Sisson after a year's absence. Amanda just returned from a year in South Korea as our RYE ambassador.
- Darrell Lovell introduced Tim Truong, friend of the speaker, and Mike Steffen, our speaker's father.
- Chuck Bednar and Dan Ashton visited from Oak Park and Monmouth.

“Political Governments have established a League of Nations; Rotary has established a League of Men, devoted to the ideal of service and dedicated to the ultimate accomplishment of world peace.”

Arch Klumph, The Rotarian, 1928

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Darrell Lovell introduced Jackie Steffen as one of our RYE outbounds last year.

Jackie and Amanda Sisson (guest today) were our 33rd and 34th outbound students. Jackie had an especially difficult experience during her year in Peru, as her host sister, an outbound RYE from Peru to USA, was murdered in Portland, Oregon.

Jackie reported that the year provided some valuable lessons for life, and she talked about “how I’ve changed and grown throughout the year.” She’s now more inquisitive about her surroundings and has become more aware of things like food and society in general. She’s learned about tolerance, as there is little diversity among the people of Peru, and Jackie experienced difficulty in relating to average people—they were distant. Living a very simple life was a big change from the fast-paced life that she came from, and she learned to appreciate living that way. Things move slowly in Peru, and Jackie adjusted to their pace. She had plenty of time to reflect as she took long walks around the city. She reported that she enjoyed breathtaking views of the snowy Andes peaks visible from most parts of the city. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arequipa>

The support of Rotary was a huge help during the year, and her best friends were other RYE students. Those friends came from many different countries, and those friendships added to her year. She feels that she grew up during the year, and that she’s well-prepared for college. Jackie expressed that it has been an honor to have been a RYE, and she thanked the club for providing the opportunity.



Jackie and her dad, Mike.

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Pat Engelhaupt has a new granddaughter, his third grandchild.
- Nina Morlang reported that a new doctor is joining Knox Pet Clinic and they need to find a house for the doctor to rent—immediately.
- Marv Dahlberg’s grandson wanted to go fishing, so Marv took him out, and one night they caught 33 bass plus some bluegills. The big news is that the boy reeled in a 17½ lb. bass.
- Chuck Farrar is pleased to be joining Mac McGee, Nina Morlang, and Bruce Barkley next Saturday at a Rotary Leadership Institute meeting in Decatur.
- Goeff Hurd has retired from an 8-year stint as a director of the Illinois Funeral Directors’ Association. He had to deal with unprecedented problems during his tenure. Welcome back, Geoff.
- Carl Strauch relayed a message from Bruce Laueran reporting that he and Dave Rice are at a Cub Scout camp this week—the result of all those Hy-Vee books that Bruce sold last winter. Bruce sent his thanks to the club in appreciation of the support.

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TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter: Lance Aten
Cashier: Tom Brown
Sue Dutell
Invocation: Lee Johnson
Song Leader: Rick Brown
Jennifer Peck
Introductions: Chris Ryner
Presiding: Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- July 30 Representative Don Moffitt will report on recent developments in the State of Illinois.
- August 6 China Experience - Natalie Trisilla
- August 13 Heritage Days Tomahawk Throwing - Bob Franey
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District Governor Larry Thompson is seated at the far right of this photo. The picture was taken following a meeting of the board with the Governor. Officers in the front row of the photo include Chuck Farrar, PDG and secretary; Ed Peterka, PDG; Marv Dahlberg, vice president; Linus Vander Wyst, president-elect; Mac McGee, assistant governor; Carl Strauch, president, and DG Thompson. In the back row are: Tom Brown, treasurer; Alice Stenander, youth service; Rick Brown, Travelogue chair; Bruce Barkley, international service; Dennis Renander, club service and administration; Quent Brown, Travelogue treasurer; and Mark Pfeifer, vocational service.



GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

District Governor Larry Thompson addressed the club on his official club visit. DG Larry drew the theme for his remarks from a letter by RI president John Kenny. The letter was published in the August edition of *The Rotarian*. To make it easy for you to read the entire letter, we made a copy for page 3 of this issue of the *Gale*.

DG Larry Thompson is pictured here with his machine designed to energize Rotarians and Rotary Clubs. One small, but vital, part of the machine is a Woodruff key that enmeshes the Rotary wheel with the work to be done. Active members each serve to create a strong key that can keep the wheels turning.

Rotary International exists to bind clubs together for common purpose; RI provides training for officers; they hold meaningful annual conventions; they provide an umbrella of programs for us to sponsor and manage. The focus is always on the local club.

The Rotary theme this year is, "Rotary is in your hands." DG Larry reminded us that although RI offers fine support, the ultimate success of this club is in our hands.

Martin (Mac) McGee proudly displays his Certificate of Graduation from the Rotary Leadership Institute.

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a series of fast-paced, interactive, one-day courses offered to refine a Rotarian's leadership skills and increase their base of knowledge in Rotary.

Courses are fun, topical, interactive, and geared toward busy business and professional persons who want to be more effective leaders in their vocation and club and more knowledgeable Rotarians.

Rotary Clubs are encouraged to select at least two candidates for RLI annually. Students return to their club with enthusiasm, new contacts, fresh ideas, an increased understanding of their potential as Rotarians, and valuable skills impacting their potential leadership in the club.

Zones 29 & 30 RLI serves Rotary Clubs in Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi. Locations and Dates for upcoming RLI Heart of America events are conveniently planned throughout the service area on various dates throughout the year. Rotarians are encouraged to attend RLI events at any location.



From an RLI website



My fellow Rotarians:



John Kenny,
Rotary International
President

Member of:
Rotary Club of
Grangemouth, Scotland

I have always thought it important to bear in mind that Rotary is a voluntary organization, composed of people who are all themselves leaders. When addressing such an audience, I have never thought it fitting to exhort or demand. Every Rotary club is and must be autonomous: The leadership of Rotary International exists not to control, but to motivate and guide.

And so when we in Rotary speak about the importance of membership, I believe it of the utmost importance to bear in mind that the primary experience of Rotary, for the overwhelming majority of Rotarians, is of the club: of club meetings, club projects, and fellow club members.

When Paul Harris began the first Rotary club 104 years ago, he did not initially think of service. Instead, he had in mind a place where people of good character, intelligence, and morals could enjoy each other's fellowship and friendship. The service came later, as a natural outgrowth of the gathering of such people.

Every good Rotarian, every member who shares our core values, will make a club that much stronger, and that much more attractive for others to join. Unfortunately, it is also the case that bringing in the wrong person can have the opposite effect. Rotarians are and must be people of a certain caliber – people with the capacity to do great deeds, the sense to do them wisely, and the strength of character to do them honestly and well.

In the end, I believe that the best way to bring new members into Rotary is the way it has been done for generations: One member invites a carefully chosen friend, client, or colleague to a meeting and, if the match is a good one, proposes that individual for membership. This is the way that our clubs remain harmonious; it is the way that new clubs become old clubs, and new members become Rotarians for life.

The membership challenges that we face today are considerable, and in many ways new. There is no denying the difficulties posed by the current global financial situation. But in the words of Henry Ford, "If money is your hope for independence you will never have it. The only real security that a man will have in this world is a reserve of knowledge, experience, and ability." And as long as we all do our jobs well, and bring in new members carefully, this is a security we in Rotary will never lack.

John Kenny
President, Rotary International

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TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Chauncey Brown
Cashier:	Tom Brown Sue Dutell
Invocation:	Steve Cramer
Song Leader:	Bob Herath
Introductions:	Dave Rice
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- August 6 China Experience - Natalie Trisilla
- August 13 Heritage Days - Bob Franey
- August 20 Intercommunity Cancer Center—
Theresa Phillipson
- August 27 Travelogue Kick-Off—Rick Brown

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Denise Conway offered a buck to tell about her niece's 4-H achievement.
- Dave Rice is relieved that the Scouts have confirmed a contingent to next year's National Jamboree.
- Sherry Foster announced that the winner of our Sandburg scholarship is a mother of five who is returning to school to become a nurse.
- Chuck Farrar attended his 57th high school reunion, and he wonders who let all those old folks in.
- Kelsey Platt announced that Heartland recently obtained their outpatient therapy license that will go along with their pulmonary therapy.
- Jennifer Peck had an enthusiastic Happy Buck.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The club is sending card to Bob Cannon at St. Mary's, so all were invited to sign it.
- Carl read a thank-you note from the District Governor for the courtesies and gifts he received during his official visit, and Carl expressed appreciation for the excellent attendance that day.
- The board will consider a proposal to work with other service clubs on a food drive for FISH as we did last year. This will be proposed for September 19th, so keep that date open. Carl remarked that it was a fun thing to do. You work with people from other clubs, and it's a service to the community.
- Two resignations have been received: Nate Wallace and Jeff Hayden. Chad Eisele's resignation was announced last week. We have one new member this year, so that leaves us -2 for the year. We now need eight new members to meet Carl's goal for the year.
- Rotary credit cards are available that will earn money for the club by the user's participation. Carl has applications.



TODAY'S PROGRAM

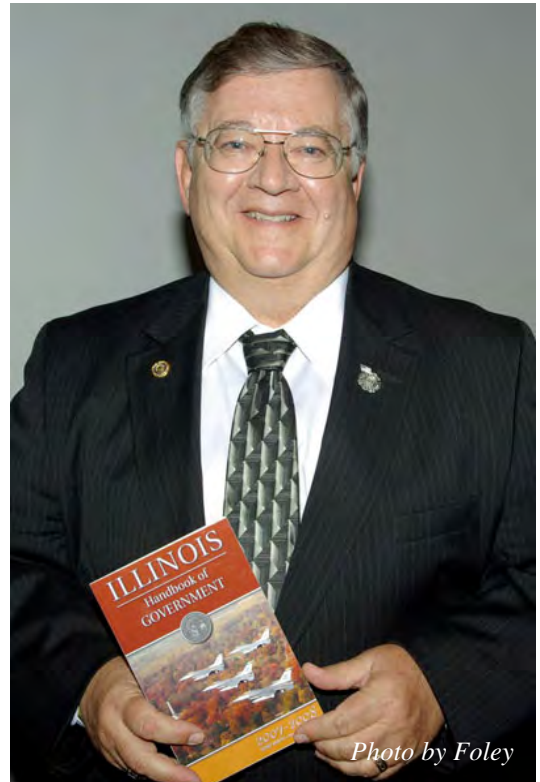
Steve Cramer introduced our State Representative Don Moffitt. Don is a Paul Harris Fellow who is now serving his 9th term in the Illinois General Assembly.

<http://www.ilga.gov/house/Rep.asp?GA=95&MemberID=1185>

We have a new Governor since last year. Governor Quinn is viewed by Don as being very engaged, unlike our recently impeached Governor. He lives in Springfield, he's honest, and he leads by example. The Governor is frugal in his own use of the State's money; he flies commercial whenever possible; he drives his own car, and he uses a preferred guest card at Super 8 when on State business. He's great to work with, even though Don respectfully disagrees with the Governor on some issues.

Don is pleased to have been a part of the successful effort to fund the three railroad grade separation projects for the City of Galesburg as part of a capital projects funding bill. The grade separations should be good for the City. They will provide construction jobs for 2 years on each project; they will improve traffic flow and safety; emergency response times will be better; removing street crossings will make Galesburg a more attractive option for expansion of railroad operations here.

The 2009 spring legislative session had to deal with a very difficult budget situation. They ended up borrowing \$3-billion to cover the pension fund for this year. The budget discussions will become much more difficult next year, as the State will have to make more changes to bring the budget into balance. Plus, they will also start paying on the funds borrowed this year. A tax increase will necessarily be a part of the debate.



CLASSIFICATION TALK

Mike White described the past seven years of his life as running on two tracks; it's been the worst of times in many respects; during these years he divorced after 32 years of marriage; he lost his business partner and office manager; he had family member in rehab; his mother died; his son/partner took a position in another city; his daughter divorced; his father spent three years disabled and then died; during seven years he made 14 visits to the ER with family members. Through the worst of times some of the best of times occurred along a parallel track; the Whites have wonderful family gatherings that include Mike's wife, Holly, his former wife, their three children, and their six beautiful grandchildren; he has enjoyed travel opportunities; his faith has grown deeper and stronger; he loves his home and community, and business has been booming.

Mike said, "I love my job!" His team of professionals at Country Financial help people obtain financial security by planning for wealth accumulation through investments, provide for wealth protection through a proper insurance plan, assure appropriate wealth distribution in retirement, and make plans to leave a wealth legacy to the next generation. His business partners are Jeremy Kleine, president of Sunrise Rotary, and Chad Kirkenmeier.

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Report of the Galesburg Rotary Club meeting of August 6, 2009

TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Don Brown
Cashier:	Tom Brown Sue Dutell
Invocation:	Bill Abel
Introductions:	Dick Lindstrom
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- August 13 Heritage Days Tomahawk Throwing - Bob Franey
- August 20 Intercommunity Cancer Center—Theresa Phillipson
- August 27 Travelogue Kick-Off—Rick Brown

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Dennis Renander was presented with a two-sapphire PHF pin in recognition of a contribution to the Rotary International Foundation totaling \$3,000.

PDG Ron Riggins presented a PHF award to Richard McGee. Richard was born in the Philippines and understands Rotary service. As a young person, Richard worked alongside his dad helping Rotarians provide assistance to the people of the islands. He is pictured receiving the award from PDG Riggins in the presence of his dad and sister.



Photo by Foley

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ed and Jean Peterka will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on August 15th. They plan to return to the town where they were married to celebrate.
- Dick Lindstrom found Penn State, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Indiana in the Big Ten football rankings. He asked, "Where was Illinois?"
- Harry Bulkeley had a follow-up question. "Where was the Big Ten?" Harry found them—fifth best in a ranking of the conferences.
- The mention of Penn State brought a buck from Tom Brown to say that his daughter teaches math there.
- Rick Ray is inviting Rotarians to submit ideas for how to sell the 105 GI Joes that were given to the Salvation Army.
- Harry Bulkeley's daughter, Jennifer, has been attending school since 1983, and she finally has a real job with a desk and title. She works at the Pentagon with the title of *Special Assistant for Asian Pacific Security Affairs of the Department of Defense, Legislative Affairs*.....

"Rotary's existence is justified not by the incidental benefit to a few, but by the things which are of equal benefit to all. That is, by becoming a true service club."

Chesley R. Perry, 1919

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dennis Renander introduced Natalie Trisilla to speak about her experiences in China.

Natalie graduated from GHS in 2004. She furthered her studies at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Illinois, and graduated magna cum laude in 2008 with degrees in history and political science. Natalie elected to study abroad during her sophomore year at Olivet, and she spent that year in China. She has since then become very interested in studying more about Chinese history, culture, and politics.

After graduating Natalie accepted a job teaching Chinese to pre-high school students in a private boarding school. She arrived at her Chinese city on a Friday, and she didn't even know where her school was located. She had to adjust quickly, as she began her teaching assignment on Monday morning. She had no books or curriculum—she was on her own with four different classes of 40 to 60 junior-high aged students. She relied on her native ability to keep them interested.

Natalie described some amusing incidents from her year in the classroom. She had her own off-campus apartment and some American friends, but she tried to get out into the community and meet the people. There were few foreigners in that agricultural part of China, so she was subject to curious looks wherever she went. Natalie managed to travel around the country. During her talk she projected some of the photos that she took when on her sightseeing trips.

Natalie is enrolled for the fall term in graduate school at Seton Hall University where she will pursue an MA in Asian Studies.



VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Mac McGee introduced his son, Richard, and his daughter, Lorena.
- Walt Sampson's guest today was Walt Wood.
- Nina Morlang brought her oldest son, Steven, to Rotary.
- Chuck Bednar visited from Oak Park.
- PDG Ron Riggins visited from Peoria-North.



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Report of the Galesburg Rotary Club meeting of August 13, 2009

TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Quent Brown
Cashier:	Tom Brown Sue Dutell
Pianist:	Joan Wenstrom
Invocation:	Rick Ray
Song Leader:	Rick Brown
Introductions:	Louise Wolf
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- August 20 Intercommunity Cancer Center—Theresa Phillipson
- August 27 Travelogue Kick-Off—Rick Brown

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Rick Brown introduced his brother-in-law, Dave Alstrand.
- Dan Ashton visited from Monmouth.
- Chuck Bednar visited from Oak Park.

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lance Aten's son, Connor, is doing well in the Junior All-City tournament.
- Sue Dutell wants everyone to know that Choral Dynamics gave CASA a check for over \$5,000. The money was earned from the recent Choral Dynamics show.
- Contrary to what some people think, Sherry Foster is NOT on vacation all summer. At the moment she's responsible for 306 4th-6th-graders who are on campus for two weeks.
- Carl Strauch is a long-time Jimmy Buffett fan, and Carl attended three celebrations this week with Buffett themes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Carl reminded members to not talk during the program. We have a tomahawk-thrower speaking today, and it would be wise not to offend him. Talking during the program is inconsiderate on any day.
- There will be a Rotary group attending the Rams/Saints football game in St. Louis on November 15th. Details will be announced later.
- Our new RYE guest, Som-Oh, arrives from Thailand on Tuesday night. Doug Gibb is hoping she can come to Rotary on Thursday, so be prepared to give Som-Oh a warm Rotary welcome greeting when she does make it to Rotary.
- The next Adopt-A-Highway task group will meet at East Main Street Hardees, 7 a.m. on Saturday, August 22.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Chris Ryner introduced Bob Franey who is the organizer behind the Heritage Days festival and Civil War reenactment that was started in 1992. The Saturday night Raleigh Barnstead Memorial Military Ball is one of the most popular events of the weekend.

Planning Heritage Days takes place all year, and it requires the efforts of many volunteers. The weekend event includes a living-history experience in the form of a pre-1840s Rendezvous. The Rendezvous includes impersonators, artisans of old crafts, and campers living on-site as pioneers for the weekend. Visitors can watch them prepare their meals, practice their trades, and demonstrate lost arts while the children play in the manner of the period—they seem to get along just fine without TV or video games.

Franey demonstrated one of the skills that will be on display at Heritage Days—tomahawk throwing. They will have demonstrations and contests using reproductions of metal tomahawks of the type used by Indians and early settlers. Bob managed to hold the group's interest as he prepared to demonstrate his finely-tuned skill at throwing. Bob had a little problem with a volunteer who was supposed to hold the target, so he resorted to demonstrating how to be a successful thrower. He's a good teacher, too, as three Rotarians (England, Aten, and Cramer) set the tomahawk in the tree stump target from 10'.



Chris Ryner and Bob Franey are pictured in front of the tree-section target.

"For those who want to feel connected, Rotary helps give us a sense of community. For those wishing they could expand their business contacts, Rotary offers unbeatable networking opportunities. For those who are lonely, it is a wellspring of friendship and support. For those on the fast track, it provides tools and opportunities to help you become a better leader. For those who love to travel, it's like pulling into a strange town almost anywhere on earth and finding the welcome light illuminated on the front porch."

Frank Devlyn, Rotary International President 2000—2001

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TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Chuck Borden
Cashier:	Tom Brown
Pianist:	Joan Wenstrom
Invocation:	Lee Johnson
Song Leader:	Rick Brown
Introductions:	George Inness
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- September 27 Rotary Travelogue kick-off. Rick Brown announced that some Rotarian is going to walk out with \$1,000 next week, so be sure to attend to see what's going on.
- September programs will include: the Knox College fall sports program, a club assembly, Geoff Hurd, and Amanda Sisson.

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Harold Watters introduced Amanda Sisson, RYE rebound from South Korea, our new inbound student, Sam-O from Thailand, and Sam-O's first host father, Tim Foster.
- Jennifer Peck had a guest, but the editor failed to get her name.
- Walt Sampson invited Walt Wood back for another visit.
- Rick Brown's guest, his son Nathan, was also a Rotarian visiting from Bloomington.
- Dan Ashton visited from Monmouth.
- Rick Gilbert visited from Elgin. Rick will be moving to Galesburg and will join our club.
- Mike White invited Dale McKee's son-in-law, Don Higginson, to Rotary today.

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Nina Morlang had an Adopt-A-Highway riddle for the club.
- Lee Johnson, who loves being a grandfather, recently welcomed his second grandchild into the world.
- Gene Denisar says having Dist. 205 teachers approving a new contract was worth more than a buck.
- Dave Rice thinks the local Scout camp is one of the beauty spots on earth.
- George Inness has a grandson heading off to Iowa State just like his grandfather. Grandpa also remembers that Bruce Lauerman sent a gift when the kid was born.
- Bruce responded with some memories of working at the Inness farm when he was in high school.
- It was George's turn again, and his memories have Bruce taking a two-hour nap in the shade after over-indulging at the lunch provided for the workers.
- Tom England offered a buck for not having to deal with a speaker with a tomahawk today.
- Dave Rice is proud and concerned for his youngest son who is being called up for duty in Iraq.
- Denise Conway's niece took her 4-H project to State and won highest honors.
- Chuck Farrar sent a message to the Bloomington club to report that Mike Robson is a really nice guy.
- Darrell Lovell recognized Lance Aten's earning high places in the Junior All-City.
- Marv Dahlberg reported that he sees a pattern....Bruce napped through part of their fishing trip.

"Each club is a link in the great chain of Rotary. When one club does a service for its community, every club glows with the reflected radiance."

Chesley R. Perry, 1957

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dennis Renander arrived in Galesburg in 1998, and he found one of the best-kept secret resources here was InterCommunity Cancer Center. It was under-utilized at that time. Dennis introduced Theresa Philipson, the manager/operator of the Center to bring us an update. Theresa is a graduate of GHS and Knox College, and she has been at the Center for 10 years.

InterCommunity Cancer Center of Western Illinois was built in 1986 by Cottage Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital and OSF to treat cancer patients with radiation. They now treat about 65% of the cancer patients in the area, and people come from the Western Illinois and Eastern Iowa areas that include Peoria and the Quad Cities. The Center has the latest technology. They have the same equipment as the University of Iowa. Their latest equipment includes 3-D and 4-D technologies. They have a highly-trained staff and work closely with the University of Iowa to assure patients of the best possible results.

Carl Strauch recalled that when he came to Galesburg in 1982 a van went from Galesburg to Peoria every day to take patients to a center there. Everyone had to be treated before the van could return home, and the trip took all day. Now some patients travel from Peoria to Galesburg.

You can find more information about the Center at: <http://www.intercommunitycancercenter.com/>

VOCATIONAL SERVICE AWARD

Louise Wolf presented the award to John Cratty, Galesburg Fire Chief. John has always lived in Galesburg. He graduated from GHS and Western Illinois University. It was a temporary disappointment for his parents when he sought and received an appointment to the Galesburg Fire Department following his graduation from WIU in 1979. As a young man, he enjoyed the active life as a fireman, and later (October 1994) he was ready to move to a desk job as Chief of the Department.

John has worked hard to improve the Department, and there have been important developments during his tenure. He's now moving on to retire from the Department and accept a position with Mutual Aid Box System, an organization devoted to creating opportunities for fire departments to improve their ability to provide mutual assistance during emergency situations. His secretary said of John's retirement, "He's just a great guy. We will miss him."



CLASSIFICATION TALK

Mac McGee has been a member of Rotary for 14 years. Mac was inducted into the Mabalacat, Philippines Rotary Club in 1986. (Ask Mac about the nationalities represented in that club.) Mac is the 26th past president of that club, and that makes him our only member to have served as a member and president of a foreign club. He also has the distinction of giving polio drops to kids, to working at a Rotary medical/surgical clinic, of helping with a supplemental feeding program, and of preparing a grant for a deep water well project. Mac has proven to be a Rotarian ready to answer a call for assistance.

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TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Marv Dahlberg
Cashier:	Tom Brown Sue Dutell
Pianist:	Joan Wenstrom
Invocation:	Darrell Lovell
Song Leader:	Steve Cramer
Introductions:	Sherry Foster
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- September 3 Amanda Sisson, RYE Rebound (that's slang for recently returned) from South Korea
- September 10 Geoff Hurd, Illinois Funeral Directors
- September 17 Club Assembly
- September 24 Knox College fall sports
- October 1 Jennifer Potaczek, Heart of Illinois Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- October 8 Vocational Day

A SPECIAL SONG

Song leader Steve Cramer created a tribute that we sang together in memory of long-time song leader, Bob Cannon, who passed away last week. Bob joined our club in September of 1951, served as our 49th president in 1962-3, and remained active until May 1, 2008—on that day he served as song leader for the last time. The club had a special birthday celebration on February 21, 2008, in recognition of Bob's 90th birthday.

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Doug Gibb introduced inbound RYE Som-O and her host father, Tim Foster.
- Nina Morlang introduced Nikki Malley, jazz director at Knox College.
- Chuck Bednar visited from Oak Park.
- Dick Gilbert visited from Elgin.

HAPPY BUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Barry Swanson just returned from North Carolina where he welcomed his 4th grandchild into the world.
- Mick Clark was too late to fill his spot as greeter, but he used a happy buck to greet everyone.
- Nina Morlang is now an official Big Sister and was recently introduced to her Little Sister, Ikeshea.
- Harry Bulkeley is going to celebrate 38 years of marriage tomorrow.
- Visitor Nikki Malley's family received support from OSF Hospice for both of her parents. Nikki is now working on a Hospice fund-raiser and would appreciate support for several events that they are holding.
- Linus Vander Wyst says they will celebrate 22 years of marriage next Saturday.

TRAVELOGUE KICK-OFF

Rick Brown volunteered to rescue Travelogue from slipping into oblivion, and today he presented a bundle of new ideas. The big pre-season push will be a flyer in Saturday's Register-Mail. Rick and his great team (see photo on page 2) have already made a fantastic start via sales of advertising in the flyer. They have raised \$11,816 from ads in the flyer and sponsors of the shows. Rick is challenging us to beat the best-ever sales record of around \$27,000. He displayed a 6' wooden gauge with the goal at one end marked in red. He whipped out a power saw, and sawdust flew as he shortened the stick to represent progress made so far. Rick even recruited a cheerleader for his dog and pony show (see photo on page 2).



Travelogue advertising sales team members proudly display the amount they earned. Those present today were: Marv Dahlberg, Harrel Timmons, Sherry Foster, Derek Antoine, Rick Brown, Alice Ste-nander, and Doug Gibb. Chuck Borden and George Inness were not present for the picture.

Everyone was invited to submit a guess of the amount raised by the committee so far. Marv Dahlberg displays his prize for submitting a guess of \$11,470.

Photo by Foley



Jennifer Peck was Rick's cheerleader.

Joel Estes is pictured receiving a piece of the gauge representing \$5,000 for RIF.



Several years ago a Travelogue Chairman announced that if 100% of the Club sold all 10 of their tickets, he would donate \$1,000 to Travelogue. WE MET THAT CHALLENGE. Rick is presenting a new challenge for this year. He will put up \$500, and the Board has agreed to match that amount with another \$500 for this year's Travelogue campaign. So, here are the rules:

Once you have sold your ten tickets, your name goes in a drawing for \$1,000. AND for every 5 tickets you sell (buy) your name would be placed in the drawing an additional time. Example: 18 tickets sold gets your name in the drawing TWICE and 26 tickets sold means FOUR chances to WIN \$1,000. 100% of the Club must submit \$250 worth of ticket sales by December 3rd and the drawing will be on December 10th. This is after 3 Travelogue shows and we're NOT going to draw out trying to collect Travelogue money for 6 months. If NOT 100% Club participation, NO WINNER. As mentioned in the 1972 Travelogue Advisory Committee Minutes, "It's a moral obligation for each Rotarian to sell (buy) one book of tickets (\$250)." This is our only fundraiser. Our Club's budget and to fund our projects successfully, each member needs to meet this \$250 goal. This topic is covered during membership orientation by Dr. Ed Peterka.



Som-O attended her second Rotary meeting this week and maintains a perfect attendance record. Pictured with her are her host father, Tim Foster, and Doug Gibb, club RYE officer.

Carl and Som-O traded Rotary Club flags. Som-O was able to read our flag, but Carl couldn't read hers.

Suchada Sajjapaibul (Som-O) arrived in the United States on August 18. She was greeted by her host parents, Tim and Flor Fran Foster. The Fosters have two children, Silva and Noah, who are both in high school.

Som-O has finished her first week at GHS and is enjoying the experience so far. She has joined the ranks of the Galesburg Marching Streaks color guard. She is going with her host family to Chicago this weekend, and they will be attending the popular musical "The Jersey Boys."

Doug will have a sign-up sheet available at next week's meeting for Rotarians to bring Som-O to Rotary each Thursday. There will be other opportunities for Rotarians and their families to meet and become better acquainted with our guest. Contact Doug Gibb if you would like to include her in a family activity or other special event that she might find interesting.

We will be writing more stories about Som-O in future issues of The Gale, and she has promised to provide us with a few pictures that we can include in future reports. Next weekend she will be joining other Inbounds in the area for an orientation to be held in Jacksonville. There will be monthly gatherings of the District RYEs, and close world-wide friendships develop at these "fun weekends." Galesburg traditionally hosts the group's January event for skiing and the Knox College International Student Fair.

ANOUNCEMENTS

- Darrell Lovell has volunteered to serve as our coordinator for the GHS Interact Club.
- Sherry Foster expressed appreciation for the Rotarians who showed up for Adopt-A-Highway duty last Saturday morning: Denise Conway, Chuck Borden, Howard Tolley, Bud Davis, Mac McGee, Joan Wenstrom, and Don Brown. (Sherry was there, too.)

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Greeter:	Steven	Cramer	Cash	ier:	Tom Brown
Invocation:	Bill Abel	Co-Cashier			Susan Dutell
Introduction of guests:	Mike Godsil	Song Leader:			Rick Brown
Presiding:	'Carl Strauch	Song Co-Leader			Susan Meisinger

President Carl Strauch called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m. . He led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Bill Abel** gave the invocation.. **Rick Brown** noted first that re turning to day was the Rotarian who had recently given birth to twins and who was returning today. Then, he and **Susan Mesinger** led the club in singing *R-O-T-A-R-Y*. **Mike Godsil** introduced visiting Rotarians, Jim and Elaine McKinney from the Las Cruces (NM) Mesilla Valley Rotary Club, Dick Gilbert: Elgin, and Dan Ashton: Monmouth. Other Visitors were Dena Sisson a guest of **Harold Watters**, Walter Wood, a guest of **Walt Sampson** and our new Youth Exchange student, **Sam-Oh**.

Happy Bucks: **Dick Lindstrom** and **Quentin Brown** exchanged barbs about Illinois and Iowa sports teams. **Tom England** gave a buck to boast of the defeat of the Abingdon football squad by Knoxville. **Harry Buckeley** was equally proud that the Abingdon students were outstanding scholars rather than wasting time on such things as football.

Elaine McKinney, brought greetings (and a flag which she exchanged with **President Carl**) from the Mesilla Valley Rotary Club and paid for it with a dollar.

Ed Peterka was especially proud to announce he and his wife, Jean, have just celebrated their Fiftieth wedding anniversary. To honor that occasion he paid \$50 for the privilege of announcing it.

Geoff Hurd couldn't wait to announce that his daughter has been promoted to HOOKER...of the Rugby team. **Steve Hawkinson** and **Geoff Hurd** each made further contributions to the pot. But all paled before the announcement from **Susan Meisinger** that not only has she returned to Rotary but wanted to announce that she has left her job at Seminary Village and is now employed in a new venture with her aunt...more details later. She later wanted to share some pictures of her new sons, Logan Klaus and Samuel David Meisinger as seen below in one of their more peaceful moments. She assured everyone, they were as cherubic as they appear in this picture.



Tom England was uncharacteristically brief in his presentation of Rotary Foundation Awards. He noted again that the Paul Harris Fellowship is given in appreciation of a significant donation to the Rotary Foundation in the amount of \$1000. He added that for an additional \$1000 donated to the Foundation the donor receives a new pin with a sapphire. Each additional like donation is the occasion for a new pin with an additional sapphire. **Larry Miller**, a member for two years, was recognized for his donation to the Foundation of \$2000.

Chuck Farrar, a member for 27 years, was presented with a new pin with five sapphires in recognition of donations of \$6000 to the Rotary Foundation.



Amanda Sisson was introduced by Harold Watters, former District Youth Exchange Chair. She was chosen two years ago and was assigned to South Korea, the first of the Rotary Youth Exchange to go South Korea.

Amanda said she was most concerned when she was told she would be going to South Korea. However, she was determined she would make the assignment work.

She was sent to Pusan, South Korea, a city in the southern part of Korea where she went from a city of approximately 37000 to a city of more than three million. When she arrived in Korea she found that she was in a place where she had little preparation. She did not know the language and thought the city was overwhelming. It did not take long before she was able to get around the city, found it was a beautiful place and was riding public transportation and

was beginning to learn the language. She has begun to become more comfortable with her foster family and is now beginning to understand that a year is a very short time, even though when she first began her year she thought it would be forever. She did give in to homesickness once or twice but now knows that she Korea will always be a part of her and she knows that her year abroad is just the beginning.

Amanda is planning to attend Carl Sandburg College in the Fall and is looking forward to an education which is just now starting.

She brought back presents both for her family as well as for Harold who helped her in her preparation to go to Korea.

Those clubs which chose to limit the Paul Harris Fellow recognition to a form of an "award for exceptional service," many Rotarians were discouraged from making large personal gifts to The Rotary Foundation since it might be interpreted as giving merely seeking or buying an "award." So, the per capita giving in those areas of the world is much lower than those areas where the concept of a Paul Harris Fellow is the original expression of appreciation by The Rotary Foundation Trustees for an individual, or in whose name, a gift of \$1000 is given to conduct the work of The Foundation. Has the Paul Harris Fellow recognition by the Trustees been successful as a fund raising scheme? Absolutely

Rotary Past President Clifford Dochterman.

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TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Bud Davis
Cashier:	Tom Brown Sue Dutell
Pianist:	Joan Wenstrom
Invocation:	Mike Clark
Song Leader:	Rick Brown & The Brownettes
Introductions:	Joel Estes
Presiding:	Carl Strauch



Photo by Foley

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Doug Gibbs introduced RYE guest, Sam-O.
- Mike White introduced Fred McAlester.
- Alice Stenander's guest was Maria Maloney.
- Derek Antoine introduced Tony Vaupel.
- Dick Gilbert visited from Elgin.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- September 24 Meet at Knox College to hear about their fall sports program.
- October 1 Jennifer Potaczek, Heart of Illinois Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- October 8 Vocational Day (See page 2)
- October 15 Tom England, Rotary Foundation
- October 22 Professor Rodney Davis, The Lincoln-Douglas Debates
- October 29 Pam VanKirk, Galesburg Public Library

The Rotary Gale editors were both out of town on September 10, so we have no reports from that meeting. But we do have a very handsome photograph of the speaker, Geoff Hurd, that was taken by Tom Foley. We appreciate Tom's work, and we wanted to share this picture that was intended to be published in last week's Gale.

The Gale needs to add some reporters to our staff. Not only could reporters provide emergency coverage, but we could use help covering special subjects. A roaming photographer would also be welcome. Please speak with us if you wish to help.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Carl Strauch led off with his updated classification talk. Carl was born in Canton 56 years ago and graduated from CHS with the class of 1970. He graduated as a math major from Purdue and got a masters degree before deciding to follow his dad into the field of medicine. Along the way he met and married Debbie, and next month they will celebrate their 30th anniversary. The Strauch family moved to Galesburg 27 years ago. Carl and Debbie have two children. Chris seeking his fortune in New Jersey, and Laura manages a business in Peoria. Dave Fleming sponsored Carl as a member of this club in 1983. In addition to serving as Rotary president, Carl mentioned serving on several boards: schools, county health, hospice, Habitat, and the Presbyterian Church.

Today's program was a Club Assembly to discuss our business affairs and plan for the future.

Reserve your place

Sign-up sheets are now being circulated at Rotary meetings for members to reserve a place at one of the workplace sites during our annual Rotary Vocational Day. Space is limited at each site, so sign up soon.

ROTARY VOCATIONAL DAY

Workplace Visits

October 8 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Reservations Required—Mark Pfleiger, Ch.

Pay your host for the lunch that will be available on each site.
Counts as a meeting- Attendance will be taken.

KNOX COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

255 West Tompkins St..

Host: Derek Antoine

INNESS FARM-INNESS FARM SUPPLY

565 Knox County Highway 10 (at the intersection of South Farnham St. and County 10)

Host: George Inness

GALESBURG WELLNESS CENTER

352 N. Henderson St.

Host: Denise Conway

SEMINARY VILLAGE/HAWTHORNE INN

2245 N. Seminary St.

Host: Jennifer Peck

SMURFIT STONE CONTAINER CORPORATION (Manufacturer of corrugated boxes)

775 South Linwood Road

Hosts: Ruth Pecsí and Doug Hooks

JET-AIR, INC. & GALESBURG AIRPORT

Airport on West Main Street

Host: Harrell Timmons

HURD-HENDRICKS FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY

120 Public Square, Knoxville

Host: Geoff Hurd

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Report of the Galesburg Rotary Club meeting of September 24, 2009

TODAY'S LEADERS

Greeter:	Gene Denisar and Bill Pillsbury
Cashier:	Sue Dutell
Invocation:	Darrell Lovell
Song Leader:	Roger Taylor and a trio from the Knox College choir
Presiding:	Carl Strauch

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- Sam-O and her host father, Tim Foster, were introduced by Darrell Lovell.
- Anne Taylor visited from Sunrise.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Larry Miller was presented with a new Rotary pin that includes two sapphires in recognition of recent gifts to the Rotary Foundation.
- Roger Taylor was recognized for his gift to the Polio Plus campaign.
- Darrell Lovell reported that the GHS Interact Club is off to a good start with 30 members. Sam-O is a member and will be taking orders for Interact Christmas wreaths at the next meeting.
- Sunrise Rotary is sponsoring the Rotaract Club at Knox.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

The club met at Knox College today. Roger Taylor opened the program with an update on the College. Enrollment at 1,407 is well above their goal of 1,350. They are very proud of their high retention rate. It's about 90%.

Athletic Director Chad Eisele discussed their fall sports program. Coaches talked about their year and introduced student-athletes in men and women's fall sports. Women's teams presented were in tennis, golf, soccer, cross-country and volleyball. Men's teams included soccer, football, and cross country.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- October 1 GHS North principal Wes Olson will talk about the new school.
- October 8 No regular meeting on Vocational Day. Rotarians have reservations to visit businesses.
- October 15 Tom England will preside at a program about the Rotary Foundation.
- October 22 Knox Professor Rodney Davis will speak on the Lincoln-Douglas Debates.
- October 29 Galesburg Public Library Director Pam VanKirk will bring an update on the Library.

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