



The Backwash



The Rotary Club of Edmonds

July 13, 2004

Reminders

- The "Picnic-In-The-Park" is scheduled for Tuesday, July 27th. Tell Kathy Dahlstrom if you will be bringing a friend. The meeting is at Edmonds City Park on Third Ave., Area #1 near the West Parking Lot
- August Art-walk is scheduled for Thursday, August 19
- The next Board of Directors Meeting will be Wednesday July 21 at 7:30 a.m.

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Elizabeth Crouch and Her Team Take the Reins for 2004/2005

On July 6th Elizabeth Crouch was formally inducted as the 2004/2005 President of The Rotary Club of Edmonds. The brief but impressive ceremony was conducted by Carl Swenson, our own Past District Governor.

In his remarks, Carl applauded the job outgoing President Vern Chase had done and noted that he expected Elizabeth to carry on the good work..

The ceremony concluded as Elizabeth and her new slate of Directors and Officers responded (with an enthusiastic "I do") to Carl's reading of the Rotary Oath of Office.

Those individuals appointed to the Club's Board of Directors for the first time include: Kathy Dahlstrom, Vocational Service Chair, Alex Hopkins,



Elizabeth Crouch Installed as 2004/2005 Club President

Club Service Chair, Carol Kinney, International Service Chair and Rod Norman, Community Service Chair.

Our District (5030) Is Ranked #1 in the Country

In a recent letter to his Club Presidents, District Governor John Gardiner expressed his "Blessings and Gratitude" for making District 5030 the number one district in the United States and the sixth best out of 529 districts in the Rotary world in terms of per capita giving to The Rotary Foundation.

Outgoing District Governor Gardiner

noted that the district's Paul Harris Society membership doubled and the Bequest Society giving was also #1 in the Rotary World.

In closing John offered his thanks to all district members, particularly Paul Harris donors (such as Sherry Ramm, Carl Swenson Vern Chase and Elizabeth Crouch from our club) who gave so generously during the past Rotary year.

“You know, near the end, it was really Barbara who was running the Club.”
 MJK

In Case You Missed the Demotion Dinner

In lieu of a regular noon meeting on June 29, the club opted to throw a demotion dinner in honor of Vern Chase.

Pat Shields, opened the evening by posing the question. “What will Mr. Volunteer do next year?” Whereupon he offered a few possibilities, most of which were in good fun, but not suitable for printing. For instance, he suggested that Vern might become the permanent facilitator for the anger management meetings with...you’ll have to fill in the blank.

The mood changed momentarily as Elizabeth offered a thought provoking invocation, but thereafter it was nothing but one good natured jab after another at Vern. Most of the ridicule centered around Vern’s penchant for sending an endless stream of emails to all club members. Don Henderson, who claimed to have saved all Vern’s emails, brought out

several binders weighing in at over 60 lbs. Pat Thorpe, Michael Kealy, Larry Throndsen and Sally Hyde followed by poking fun at some of Vern’s other foibles.

Sally, for example, conducted a mock grand jury trial to determine if there was sufficient evidence to charge Vern with the crime of “excessive and irresponsible smiling.”

Mike Kealy speculated that twenty years from now insiders will finally allow their well-guarded rumor to surface. They will reveal, “You know, near the end, it was really Barbara who was running the club....She was the one responsible for all those emails.”

The evening ended with a rousing version of *Anchor’s Aweigh*, rewritten in Vern’s honor by Jeanne Hansen.

All in all, it was a great party.

July Meeting Speakers (RI Literacy Month)

July 6.....Installation of Club Officers
 Followed by a Club Assembly

July 13.....Karen Davis
 Executive Director of the Snohomish County Literacy Project (for adult non-readers)

July 20Brigitte Beliasi
 Literacy Curriculum Coordinator for the Edmonds School District

July 27Picnic-in-the-Park
 Scotty’s Salmon shared with the Daybreakers

For entry to our club’s site:
www.edmondsrotary.org
 Username: [redacted]
 Password: [redacted]

Scholar Recipient Returns to Give an Update.
 The club was extremely pleased that **Matt McCleary**, a 2003 Rotary Scholar Recipient from Edmonds-

Woodway HS returned to the club to announce that he had successfully completed his first year at Seattle Pacific University with a 3.7 GPA in Engineering.

2003 - 2004 Club Officers, Board Members and Committee Chairs

BOARD MEMBERS

President.....Elizabeth Crouch
 Immediate Past President.....Vern Chase
 President ElectMichael Kealy
 Vice President and Waterfront Festival Chair.....Karen Wiggins
 Secretary.....Don Henderson
 Treasurer.....Mike Meeks
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Larry Throndsen
 Director, Club Service Chair.....Alex Hopkins
 Director, Community Service Chair.....Rod Norman
 Director, International Service Chair.....Carol Kinney
 Director, Vocational Service Chair.....Kathy Dahlstrom

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Waterfront Festival ChairKaren Wiggins
 Auction Committee Chair.....Bill Moran
 Membership Committee Chair.....Joan Longstaff
 Scholarship Committee Chair.....Warren Bradbury
 New Member Orientation Chair.....Carl Swenson
 Centennial Project Committee Chair.....Bill Toskey
 Rotary Cares Co-Chair.....Carol Kinney
 Rotary Cares Co-Chair.....Don Henderson
 Rotary First Harvest Chair.....Janice Freeman
 Assistant Secretary, Club Webmaster.....Kirk Greiner
 Homeless Youth Foundation Chair.....Sherry Ramm
 Editor of *The Backwash*.....Michael Kealy

Member Input.....Check your “Paul Harris” status

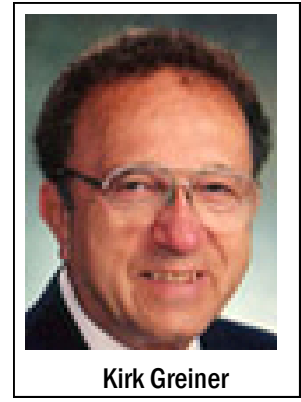
Pam Halsan would like to advise all members that you can check the status of your contributions to date to the Rotary Foundation by going to the Rotary International web site (Rotary.org) and clicking on the “Member Access” tab at the top right of the home page. Then, if you are not

already registered, click the “Register Now” prompt and insert the club’s district number, (5030) club number (115) and your individual number. You can find your individual ID number by looking on the mailing address label of your *Rotarian* magazine.

Getting to Know More About.....Kirk Greiner

Full NameG. Kirk Greiner Jr.
Place of BirthPluto, PA
Birth DateAugust 30
SpouseJackie
Joined Rotary.....Newport News, VA...7/68
 Edmonds, WA 1/01
SponsorVern Chase
ClassificationMarine Safety Consultant
Past Office/Committees:.....Web Master

2004-2005 OfficeWeb Master
Favorites:
Favorite Singer/Entertainer..... No answer
Book(s)No answer
Sports TeamNo answer
TV ShowNo answer
Vacation SpotEurope, Australia
HobbiesComputers
 Web Site Creation, Traveling



Getting to Know Rotary’s History

Paul Harris not elected first Club President

Although Paul Harris was the founder and organizer of the first Rotary club in Chicago in 1905, the man selected to be the first president was one of the other founding members, Silvester Schiele.

By the year 1910 there were 16 Rotary clubs, which linked up as an organization called the National Association of Rotary

Clubs. Paul Harris was selected President of the new Association and served in this position for two years.

In 1912, the year Paul Harris stepped down, the name was changed to the International Association of Rotary Clubs, testimony to the fact that under his guidance Rotary was organized in Winnipeg, Canada, and then in England, Ireland and Scotland. In 1922 the name was shortened to Rotary International.

Make Up Meeting Days/ Sites / Times

Monday

N. Seattle—N. Seattle Community Collage12:00
 Lake City—Elks Club.....12:00
 Kirkland—Woodmark Hotel6:15 pm
 Southcenter—Red Lion Hotel, Southcenter Mall.....12:00

TUESDAY

Shoreline—Shoreline Center.....12:00
 Ballard—Anthony’s Shilshole.....12:00
 Everett—Everett Yacht Club.....12:00
 Edmonds Daybreakers— Yacht Club.....7:00.am
 Fremont—Hale’s Brewery.....5:30 pm

WEDNESDAY

Seattle 4 Call 206 623-0023.....12:00

Bellevue Overlake—Harbor Club.....12:00
 Mill Creek—Mill Creek CC.....12:00
 Lake forest Park—Presbyterian Church.....7:00 am
 Shoreline Breakfast—Shoreline Center.....7:30 am

THURSDAY

North Shore—(Bothel) Inglewood CC12:00
 Lynnwood—Lake Ballinger Golf Course.....12:00
 Mountlake Terrace—Lake Ballinger GC.....7:15 am

FRIDAY

University District—Seattle Yacht Club.....12:00
 Alderwood—Stevens Hospital Cafeteria.....7:00 am
 S. Everett Mukilteo—Holiday Inn 128th.....12:00

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The Rotary Club of
Edmonds



The Rotary 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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Upcoming Duty Roster

Invocators

7/13.....Brent Hagen
7/20Pam Halsan
7/27Jeanne Hansen

Greeters.

7/13Karen Wiggins
7/20Maiya Alward
7/27Tim Beltz