



FEBRUARY 11, 2010

# Spokesman

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD SOUTHEAST

## TOP STORY

### Saluting World Understanding

In February, World Understanding Month, Rotary is encouraged to reach across borders and cultures in the name of service and fellowship. During this month, Rotary also celebrates its 105th anniversary on February 23, marking a special achievement toward the building of peace and goodwill around the world.



How does Southeast promote peace and understanding this month and throughout the year?

- Hold a weekly raffle to raise funds to the PolioPlus project. So far, the 4 of Clubs raffle has raised over \$2000 for the effort.
- Collect loose change for the PolioPlus project. The container is on the House Committee's check-in table.
- Support an international project with funds raised at the World Community Service Raffle and Auction on February 25.
- Sponsor a Rotary Youth Exchange student. This year's inbound student is Ece Artok from Turkey and our outbound student is Chris Cogell, who is studying in France.
- Sponsor a member of the outbound Group Study Exchange team to South Korea, Emily Denniston, from the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce.
- Support Elizabeth Byers, our nominee selected by the District 6080's scholarship committee, who will attend the University of Sweden in Stockholm for next fall. She is currently at Annapolis.
- Support the work of the Rotary Foundation because our contributions bring hope to people around the globe.

## COMMITTEE HUB

### World Community Service Committee

The World Community Service Committee advances the Rotary goals of world peace and understanding by organizing and funding a community service project in another country.

Identify a community need in another country and organize an initiative to eliminate or alleviate that need.

Work with a Rotary Club from another country (other than the country where the need is identified) on this project.

Raise approximately 50 percent of the committee budget for the year from fundraising activities within our club.

Leverage the resources of our club by applying for a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant of Health, Hunger, and Humanity.

Chair-Rick Waggoner

## CALENDAR

### Looking Ahead

- 2/25 World Community Service Raffle/Auction
- 3/9 Rotary Board Meeting
- 3/16 New Member Orientation
- 4/7 Leadership Education Training Seminar
- 4/13 Rotary Board Meeting
- 4/15 Joint Rotary Club Meeting at the University Plaza

### Today's Agenda

- World Community Service Raffle Ticket Sales
- Invocation: Brian Weimer
- Welcome Student Guests from Kickapoo
- Announcements
- Sarge
- Program: Viewing of the film "The Final Inch"



## WHAT'S NEXT

### **World Community Service Raffle/Auction on Feb. 25**

The World Community Service Committee will take over the meeting on February 25 to hold their annual Raffle/Auction to benefit world projects. Money raised will be added to the club's budgeted amount of \$4000.00 (the allocated portion from the Service Fund). Bring your wallets and bid high!

#### **2009 WCS Projects Grants included:**

Convoy of Hope/Honduras Vocational Technical Institution/\$5000  
Orphan Rescue/\$1935  
Rotarians Eliminating Malaria/\$1935

#### **Previous Projects include:**

WorldServe International for water well in Africa  
Engineers without Borders for water well in Bolivia  
India School water infrastructure project

## MEMBERSHIP

### **Proposed New Member**

Board Action: The board has approved the following membership proposal. Written objections should be received in the Rotary office in one week.

Jennifer Baker  
Director of Center for Professional Solutions  
School of Professional Psychology at Forest Institute

Classification: Health Care  
Sponsor-Randy Mayes  
Advisor-Barbara Lucks

## SOUTHEAST SNIPPETS

### **The Check-In Table**

#### **The House Committee Table - A One-Stop Shop for All Your Rotary Needs**

Southeast's House Committee works diligently each week to perform tasks that most of us take for granted. Each week, they prepare the meeting location with appropriate Rotary paraphernalia, maintain a sign-in table and collect fees for meals, set up the front table with bell and speaker gifts, hang banners, introduce guests, collect fines levied by the Sergeant-at-Arms, and prepare audio-visual equipment as required. They are the first to arrive at 11:00 a.m. and are the last to leave at 1:20 p.m. They are a devoted bunch. That's 2+ hours (definitely not early leavers).

*Need something?* They can provide members with any of the following items:

A new Rotary Lapel Pin (\$3)  
A mini Banner to exchange on vacations  
A receipt for a guest lunch  
A New Member Proposal  
Southeast Brochures  
A Southeast Membership Directory

*To help make their jobs easier,*  
Be prompt when returning your badge to the badge board at the end of the meeting.

Make sure the pink sheet on your table is visible and not covered by other papers or dishes.

Sign in your guest legibly and be prepared to pay the \$8.00.

If you need to distribute brochures or papers on the lunch tables, you must first clear it with the President, and then arrive early to put them on the tables yourself.

## ROTARY INFORMATION

### **Directors Searching For Committee Chairs**

On April 7, Southeast will hold its annual Leadership Education Training Seminar (LETS) for the purpose of planning for the next Rotary year. Between now, the 2010-2011 Avenue Directors will be filling all committee chair positions. If you are interested in serving on a committee or heading one up, contact the responsible director. Committee Chairs usually serve for two years.

#### **The 2010-2011 Avenue Directors are:**

**President-elect--Brent Baldwin** (Attendance, Blue Ribbon, Classification, Fellowship, House, Membership Development, Membership Screening, Orientation, Programs.)

**Club Service--Ray Meyer** (5th Thursday, Audit, Family of Rotary, History, Invocation, Public Relations, Sunshine.)

**Community Service--Denise LeBolt** (K-Park, Projects, Rotaract, Student Guests, Youth Projects.)

**Vocational Service--Rick Hughlett** (Directory, Fellowship Luncheons, Four Way Test, Rotary Volunteers, Vocational Awareness.)

**International Service--Patrick Harrington** (Benefactor Endowment, Friendship Exchange, Group Study Exchange, International Youth Exchange, Rotary Foundation, Rotary Foundation Scholarships, Twin Club, World Community Service.)