



## Future Editors

**November 26**

Wesley Magaster

**December 3**

Brent Mattson

**December 10**

William McLees

## Greeters

**November 23**

Kathy Holte  
Bob Horne

**November 30**

Jim Jensen  
Sharon Johnson

**December 7**

Mary Keller  
Ken Kitzman

## Upcoming Programs

**November 23**

Rick Hedberg  
MSU Division II Athletics

**November 30**

Dr. David Fuller  
President  
MSU on the Move

## Hunting: A North Dakota Heritage by John MacMartin

As we North Dakotans talk to about our quality of life, we inevitably talk about experiencing the great outdoors. We as a people struggle and strive to bring youth and neighbors to the field to enjoy that experience.

For me, like many of you, the outdoor experience surrounds family. As I approach deer hunting each year, I start to think of my family. My brother-in-law, Doug, who invited me to hunt with him after I married his sister, my grandfathers who both hunted, my mom's brother and my dad all become active in my memory.

I remember or have been reminded of the time that my mom's dad, grandpa, and brother, my uncle, came home from pheasant hunting and we were at grandpa's house. Grandpa and my uncle were unloading the car, and I was there with mom and had my toy, cork double barrel shotgun with me.

Grandpa pulled a pheasant out of the trunk and threw it in the air in front of me and told me to shoot it. I pulled both triggers and believe it or not the pheasant dropped to the ground, everyone laughed except for me.

When mom and I went to leave, I grabbed my "pheasant" and headed for mom's car, needless to say I didn't get very far. Unfortunately in the greater scheme of things, my uncle had a run in with "BBs" and his eye so for many years hunting and guns were taboo.

My dad's dad was the real outdoors man, but other than fishing, I never got to do any hunting with Grandpa Mac, both because of my uncle's experience and because Grandpa Mac passed when I was in the sixth grade.

I went on any number of fishing excursions throughout all of the North Dakota hot spots. Grandpa had a 12 foot flat bottom fishing boat with a five hours motor. We'd get to a lake and on the water to fish and then the games started. Ever watch a young boy sit perfectly still without fidgeting, it just doesn't happen.

As I fidgeted I would hear sit still you are

scaring the fish which would make me laugh and fidget all the more.

The other memory was the time Grandpa tried to do the splits with one foot on the bow of the boat and the other on the shore. As I tried to push with an oar, the stern swung from side to side and both Grandpa and I were laughing. He did not get wet. I cherish these memories and they bring a smile to my face.

In my later years in high school I started upland game hunting with my friends. In my freshman year in college I started deer hunting and my dad joined me. After college I moved away and family hunting stopped for me.

After I moved back to North Dakota, I met and married Kim and Doug invited me and then later my dad to join him in deer hunting each fall. The stories are great and the memories even better.

There was the time that I was at the end of the tree row and out came the buck and one shot dropped it and a minute later the doe came out and one shot dropped it. I try to replicate that event each year at the same place, no luck so far.

Then there was a new valley that dad and I walked one year, and the valley was not reworked for several years until the year after dad passed. Doug dropped me off and went to the end, 1.5 miles away to block and I started walking.

It may seem odd, but that day I was not alone, dad and grandpa Mac were there with me for the walk. In subsequent years, I have heard or felt the direction to take a deep breath, follow the target, and squeeze the trigger. Do I think my dad and my grandfather are there with me? You bet!

Hunting is a North Dakota heritage and it is also a family tradition. It is a tradition that I honor and fondly look forward to it each fall.



# Secretary's Corner Om Madhok

11/16/09

**PRESENT MEMBERSHIP:** 102

**ATTENDANCE:** 66.3%

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** Marty Snelling, Don Patrick, Elaine Henderson, Bob Walsh and Rick Felstead of Brandon, MB

**STUDENT ROTARIANS:** Dakota Larson, Kim Schiele, Sierra Murphy, Kaari Burbach, and Jerrica Luck, MHS Students

**NEW MEMBERS:** **Roger Winkle**, Ret. USAF,  
Loan Officer, Northern Tier Federal Credit Union  
**Tom Rafferty**  
Community Relations, Verendrye Electric Cooperative

## *We Missed You!*

Dan Albertson	Alan Estvold	Gerald Lumley	Doug Pfau
Richard Anderson	Betty Fedorchak	Jarid Lundeen	Louis Pinkerton
Wallace Berning	Mike Gaddie	Jay Lundeen	Alison Repnow
Rich Campbell	Kevin Harmon	Mike McMahon	Claude Sem
Lisa Clute	Daryl Hodnefield	Wesley Magaster	Dean Somerville
CJ Craven	Terry Hoff	Milton Miller	Rita Sommers
Fred Crist	James Jensen	Jim Montgomery	Steve Tonneson
Donald Davison	Mike Klier	Cara Olson	Thomas Wentz Jr.
Sara Dufner	Ann Krause	David Olson	Tom Will
David Ellingson	Fred Lien, Jr.	Jim Olson	

## Attendance—How Important Is It?

Of outstanding importance is regular attendance! Much has been published in club bulletins against the prevalent problem of early leavers and skippers. The apparent non-interest is what is coming from the program and what the speaker has to tell.

Rotary International prepared their Constitution, By-laws, and Manual of Procedure for a purpose. That purpose was for the one service club to maintain interest in Rotary and its purpose—through attendance—at meetings.

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**John Kenney** of Grangemouth Central, Scotland— President, Rotary Int'l  
**Ajoy Chatterjee** of Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada—Governor District 5580

The Rotary Club of Minot meets 12:00 to 1:10 p.m. every Monday at the Grand International of Minot.

**Board of Directors:** Reed Argent, President; Teal Myre, President-Elect; Ron Merritt, Vice-President; Om Madhok, Secretary; Dave Lehner, Treasurer; William McLees, Past President.

**Directors:** 2009-Jen Guidinger and Dusty Zimmerman; 2010 –Robert Dick and Brent Mattson; 2011—Mike Berg, Ron Merritt and Tom Will

**Standing Members:** Peter Hankla, Exchange Students, Ken Kitzman, Scholarship Fund; John MacMartin, and Rotary Foundation.

## Birthdays

**November 24**  
Sue Burger



## Anniversaries

**November 24**  
David & Marsha Looyzen

**November 25**  
Maria Effertz & Mike Hanson

**November 27**  
Richard & Mary Nester

## Fines

**\$3.00 each**  
Reed Argent  
Dick Olson

**\$2.00 each**  
Gen Guidinger  
Deer Hunters who  
got a buck

**\$1.00 each**  
Alicia DesLauriers, Viking fans, Rich Campbell and Dean Rubbelke's tables (Packer Fans), Hunters who got a Doe, who have not finished Christmas shopping; and who were born after March of 1956

**TOTAL FINES:**  
**\$189.00**

# Rotary Foundation Day 11-16-09

For the duration  
of the flu season,  
there will be  
no handshakes  
at the meetings.



*Our guest speaker this week was John MacMartin, Rotarian and Rotary Foundation Chairman for the Minot Rotary Club. John has been a Rotarian since 1990 and has operated the Minot Chamber of Commerce since 1992 and is the current President.*

With a century-long history of service, both locally and internationally, let's take a moment to reflect how Rotary leads the way today and review updates on some of our many successful programs.

We should take pride in an organization that continues to redefine what "service" is all about. And most important to remember is that **Rotary is OUR organization...it is OUR Foundation.**

Through the programs of **OUR** Foundation, we Rotarians have made a great impact on so many lives. But our future success depends on having the support of **Every Rotarian, Every Year.**

*I personally believe that we've just begun to tap into Rotary's **strength and power.** By the end of this presentation, my hope is that each and every one of you will be more enthusiastic about Rotary, that you will feel even more excited to invite new members to join your club, and that you will fully support the The Rotary Foundation.*

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is furthering understanding and friendly relations between people of different nations. We accomplish this by fostering tangible and effective programs through local, national and international projects. Through **OUR** Foundation, we reach out to both our local and international communities.

Whether it's eradicating polio, digging water wells, or educating a scholar in peace and conflict resolution, Rotary creates the environment and circumstances to promote peace throughout the world.

## Polio Facts 2009

**Dropped by 28 percent** to 284 cases as of 8 September, compared with 397 cases over the same period a year ago.

**Monthly immunization campaigns** in the highest-risk areas have reduced wild poliovirus type 1 - the more dangerous of the two remaining strains -- to record lows.

**In Nigeria, the incidence of polio** has decreased by 41 percent to 379 cases, from 646 cases a year ago

**Worldwide,** the number of polio cases has dropped from more than 350,000 in 1988, when the GPEI began, to 1,651 in 2008.

Polio isn't the only project that is capturing the attention of the world community. We are among a select few organizations actively working to make peace and conflict resolution an academic discipline - one with very practical applications.

The Rotary Foundation has partnered with **now eight** leading universities (**due to the integration with the Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand**) around the world to establish Rotary Centers program. Each year, up to 110 Rotary World Peace Fellowships (60 master's degree fellowships and 50 professional development certificate fellowships) are offered on a competitive basis at seven Rotary Centers, which operate in partnership with eight leading universities.

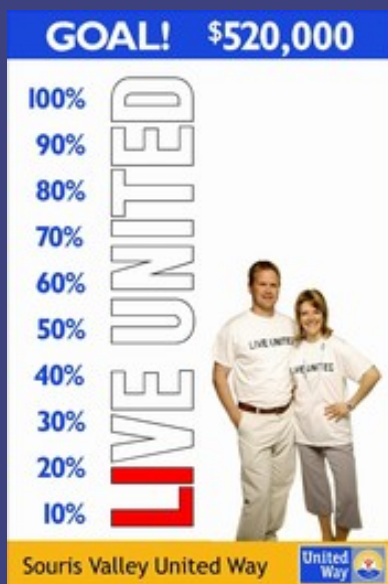
*Many of the 140 recent scholars of the Rotary Center for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution are now working in leadership positions that deal with conflict.*

**Rotary World Peace Fellowships.** Since the program's inception in 2002-03, 448 fellows from more than 75 different countries have participated at a cost of more than \$26.7 million. **In 2008 -9, 109 peace fellows began studies at the seven Rotary Centers totaling \$3.7 million for the two-year program.**

Josephus Tenga is a shining example of the Rotary Centers program's success. A citizen of Sierra Leone, Josephus studied at Duke University in 2004-06. He is currently the assistant director of the Peace and Conflict Resolution Program at The Jimmy Carter Presidential Center in Atlanta, GA, USA.

He focuses on developing Carter Center programs in peace and conflict resolution in West Africa. His efforts include meeting with government ministers and officials and program partners in Cote d'Ivoire and Liberia to develop a new program on pre-and post-elections dispute resolution.

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Monday's coffee was  
**Viking Thunder**

*Courtesy of  
Jo Khalifa*





**Leftover convention reusable grocery bags for sale for \$2 each. Proceeds will be used for a joint service project between the Noon Club and the Sunrise Club. Get your bags at the next few meetings.**

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He is also developing a new program for extending the rule of law in Sierra Leone in order to strengthen the government's ability to maintain peace and stability in that post-war country.

A favorite of many districts is the Group Study Exchange (GSE). These annual awards are made to paired Rotary districts to provide travel expenses for a team of non-Rotarians from a variety of professions. Rotarian hosts organize a four-to-six week itinerary of vocational, educational and cultural points of interest. One example, which broke new ground, was an exchange between Native Americans from the southwest United States and Aborigines from Western Australia.

By the end of their visits, both teams realized that some of the issues faced by indigenous communities in the U.S. and Australia were similar. But the exchange also made them more aware of the wealth of contributions indigenous people continue to offer their countries such as a rich cultural past, beautiful folk art, and an appreciation of their land's natural beauty.

Since 1965, about 65,000 individuals (14,117 teams) from 106 countries have participated at a cost of more than \$100 million. **In 2008-09, 576 teams traveled abroad. Program awards were \$4.4 million.**

The Foundation sponsors one of the largest international scholarship programs in the world. Scholars study in a country other than their own where they serve as unofficial "ambassadors of goodwill."

*As a 2005-2006 Ambassadorial Scholar in Barcelona, Spain, District 2210, Alissa Creamer, sponsored by District 5100 (USA) has done a tremendous job of fulfilling her ambassadorial duties as well as making an important humanitarian contribution to the world with a documentary film that she is directing. While attending film classes at her university, she met two children, Cassinda, age 6, and Romeo, age 10, from Angola at the Hospital de Sant Pau. These two children were undergoing surgery for injuries sustained from a land-mine explosion. After spending nearly every day with these children for 3 months, Alissa decided to direct a documentary film about these two courageous children from the war-torn country of Angola.*

Since 1947, more than 39,760 scholars from over 115 countries have received scholarships at a cost of more than \$504 million. **In 2008-09, 760 scholar program awards were \$13.9 million. District Simplified Grants** support the short-term service activities or humanitarian endeavors

of districts in communities locally or internationally. This program began in 2003-04 and more than 2207 grants have been awarded to 478 districts in 65 countries totaling more than \$35 million.

**In 2008-09 407 District Simplified Grants were awarded totaling \$7,495,098. In 2007-08, 389 District Simplified grants were awarded totaling US \$6.4 million.**

*Rotary's Matching Grants program enables clubs in one part of the world to connect with a club or a Rotarian located a world away to combine their energies and make a difference. By working together Rotarians from Germany, Australia, Canada, The United States, Mexico, and Niger have obtained several grants for projects in Niger, the poorest nation in the world. One project helped build the well pictured here. Wells such as this one help provide clean water and will make life healthier and easier for these villagers.*

**Matching Grants** provide matching funds for international service projects of Rotary clubs and districts. Since 1965, 30,560 Matching Grant projects in 199 countries and territories have been funded at a cost of more than \$341 million. **In 2008-09, 1560 Matching Grants were awarded totaling \$16,632,409.**

**Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants** fund large-scale, two to four-year projects that enhance health, help alleviate hunger or improve human development. Children in Bangladesh experienced the power of Rotary when they learned to read their first book. Matching and 3-H grants are providing training in the Concentrated Language Encounter (CLE) literacy method for over 30,000 teachers. Already, more than 375,000 children have benefited. In a country with a literacy rate below 50%.

Since 1978, 340 projects have been funded at a cost of \$88 million. In 2008-09, 16 Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants were awarded totaling \$4,441,587.

John closed with a few words from a Rotarian from District 5650, in Nebraska, USA. When Mary Garrison commented on why she is a Rotarian, she responded by stating:

*"What an impact this wonderful organization has had on my life! I can hold my head high and say...I helped to eliminate Polio; educate thousands of students, build numerous houses, schools, medical clinics; I am helping promote peace and global understanding. I am doing all of this because I am a Rotarian!"*