

2017-18 DISTRICT AWARDS PROGRAM
OFFICIAL JUDGING SHEET

CLUB SIZE SMALL CLUB

CATEGORY VOCATIONAL SERVICE

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CHAIN OF LAKES CHECKLIST

Rotary  District 5960  ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

DISTRICT 5960 AWARDS CHECKLIST FOR ROTARY YEAR 2017-2018

ITEMS DUE BY APRIL 1, 2018

AWARD CATEGORY: VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Rotary Club of: Chain of Lakes Rotary - Lin Lake, MN

Club Division: Large Club Medium Club Small Club

Check for each item completed:

- Conduct a club program promoting the 4-Way Test (Describe in narrative)
- Vocational/Classification Talks presented by Club members (# of talks)
- Conducted tours of members' businesses, i.e., Rotation Day (Dates)
- Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of Vocational Service (date)
- Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of ethics in business (Date)
- Initiated or maintained a career development program (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted a youth mentoring or job shadowing program, ie STRIVE (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted or participated in an ethics program for local youth
- Participated in at least one literacy project related to Vocational Service (Describe in narrative)
- Participated in an adult literacy project utilizing the vocational skills of members (Describe in narrative)
- Presented an Employer of the Year Award (Name and Date)
- Presented an Employee of the Year Award (Name and Date)
- Recognized a business or professional person in the community (non-Rotarian) for outstanding achievements (excluding Employer/Employee of the Year awards) (Describe in narrative)
- Awarded vocational scholarship(s) to non-Rotarians (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted a networking activity (Describe in narrative)
- Members participated in a Rotary Fellowship involving a vocation (Describe in narrative)
- Other (Describe in narrative)

List two of your best Vocational Service projects for this year:

1. Linked In Group to Grow Professional Status & Network Club Members participating 60%

2. STRIVE Club Members participating 50%

Total number of Vocational Service projects accomplished this year 2

Provide a narrative description of your Vocational Service activities. Using the attached form, limit your response to one page, and use Times New Roman 12pt font size. You are allowed to use up to six pictures to accompany your narrative to support your application.

A narrative follows: Yes No

SMALL CLUB: VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Chain of Lakes Rotary Club

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Small Club, District 5960

Award Category Vocational Service *Note that we are answering specific questions (i.e., 2)*

(2) Vocational/Classification Talks presented by Club members (6/year). Approximately once every other month, we ask two members to give a presentation about their vocation or business. We ask the speakers to provide images for this presentation. Presenters include Jesse Bentrup' Farmers Insurance, the Anoka County Library, Joe Woodington Real Estate, Fitzpatrick Translational Science, Lino Lakes City Administration and Dystonia Association.

(3) Conducted tours of members' businesses. Rotarian John Swensen (Public Safety Director) invited the Warden of the Lino Lakes Correctional Facility to present to our Club. The Warden then invited us to the facility for a 2-hour tour. We typically will have at least 5 club social activities at a member's business or home.

(4) Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of Vocational Service (we did this on six occasions in last Rotary year; note that 3 of these were social events)

(7) Conducted a youth mentoring or job shadowing program, i.e. STRIVE. The Chain of Lakes Rotary Club has nine monthly STRIVE meetings/presentations at Centennial High School. On April 19, we will also coordinate SERVICE day with Centennial High School. Most Rotarians are also STRIVE mentors.

(9/10) Participated in at least one literacy project related to Vocational Service. Note that we are planning an event with the Circle Pines Library (part of the Anoka County Library System) in coordination with their grand reopening in June, 2019. Two of our Rotarians (Maggie Snow and Mary Healy) are Anoka County Librarians – who are leading this effort.

(13) Recognized a business or professional person in the community for outstanding achievements.....We did not do this, however, past President, Brian Bourassa was awarded the Lino Lakes Honorary Chairperson award for his community involvement. He was featured in the community newspaper (Quad) and was presented this honor at Blue Heron Days.

(14) Awarded vocational scholarships to non-Rotarian's. As part of our STRIVE program, we nominate and award cash scholarships to ~4 or 5 STRIVE students as part of their commitment to attend post-secondary education. In 2017, our awards totaled \$2,000

(15) Conducted a networking activity. We created a LinkedIn group for the Chain of Lakes Rotary and encourage members to participate. We have monthly "Rotary Socials" and invite community members to attend. We also encourage ALL Rotarians to attend at least one OTHER Rotary Club meeting (outside of Chain of Lakes) and a District event. Note that this is a new strategy that our club is enacting. We ask Rotarians to exchange Chain of Lakes Rotary banners – and to wear our custom shirts and ties. So far, about 8 of our 23 members have visited other clubs.

- Two of our best Vocational Service projects
 - A. Tour of Lino Lakes Correctional Facility (see picture)
 - B. Initiation of our LinkedIn Club group.

SMALL CLUB: VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Chain of Lakes Rotary Club



SUPPORTING PHOTOS

Lino Lakes Correctional Facility Tour



Club Meetings



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DISTRICT 5960 AWARDS CHECKLIST FOR ROTARY YEAR 2017-2018

ITEMS DUE BY APRIL 1, 2018

AWARD CATEGORY: VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Rotary Club of:

Ramsey MN

Club Division: Large Club Medium Club Small Club

Check for each item completed:

- Conduct a club program promoting the 4-Way Test (Describe in narrative)
- Vocational/Classification Talks presented by Club members (# of talks)
- Conducted tours of members' businesses, i.e., Rotation Day (Dates)
- Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of Vocational Service (date)
- Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of ethics in business (Date)
- Initiated or maintained a career development program (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted a youth mentoring or job shadowing program, ie STRIVE (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted or participated in an ethics program for local youth
- Participated in at least one literacy project related to Vocational Service (Describe in narrative)
- Participated in an adult literacy project utilizing the vocational skills of members (Describe in narrative)
- Presented an Employer of the Year Award (Name and Date)
- Presented an Employee of the Year Award (Name and Date)
- Recognized a business or professional person in the community (non-Rotarian) for outstanding achievements (excluding Employer/Employee of the Year awards) (Describe in narrative)
- Awarded vocational scholarship(s) to non-Rotarians (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted a networking activity (Describe in narrative)
- Members participated in a Rotary Fellowship involving a vocation (Describe in narrative)
- Other (Describe in narrative)

List two of your best Vocational Service projects for this year:

1. Ramsey Police Employers Club Members participating 80%
2. Mark M. Welter 100% American Club Members participating 40%

Total number of Vocational Service projects accomplished this year 5

Provide a narrative description of your Vocational Service activities. Using the attached form, limit your response to one page, and use Times New Roman 12pt font size. You are allowed to use up to six pictures to accompany your narrative to support your application.

A narrative follows: Yes No

SMALL CLUB NARRATIVE

→ Ramsey Rotary
Vocational

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July 26th 2018 Dr. Mark M. Welter, Ramsey Rotarian, spoke about how he has created several scholarship programs at LeadMN for students attending a college or university within the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) system. His scholarships are the Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award & the 100% American Award. Prior to this meeting Mark was honored on June 24th with the grand opening of the newly renovated Mark M. Welter Center for Learning space at the LeadMN office. More than 170 - \$500 Welter scholarships have been given to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities students.

August 30th we invited former Rotarian John Letourneau to speak to the group about the Anoka Chamber Manufacturing Coalition. The Coalition is exclusively for members of the Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce who are executives, managers, or owners of manufacturing companies. Some of the key topic we discussed is the low unemployment rate and the fact that for every 100 applications manufactures are getting only 10 will pass the background and drug testing. Sadly out of those 10 only 3 will stay employed for more than 3 months.

September 20th Ramsey Rotarian Bonnie Thompson spoke about her profession as a Coldwell Banker Burnett Realtor. She has been a realtor since 1990 with extensive knowledge and expertise in: New Construction, Existing Construction, First-time Home Buyers and much more. During the presentation she discussed how quick the housing market is currently moving and it is a sellers' market which is creating multiple offers on the majority of the homes for sale. It was also noted that with the new Millennials buying they are looking at homes under \$200,000 and keeping away for the \$400,000+ homes even if they can afford them, the new generation is spending their money on adventure and experiences like travel and not a forever home.

Police Chief and Ramsey Rotarian Treasurer, Jeff Katers spoke at the October 11th meeting and invited one of his officers to speak about Ramsey Police Explorers for our teens and the new Citizens academy is for adults. Explorers are trained in command presence, interview techniques, burglary response, traffic stops, crime prevention, traffic accidents, bomb scenes, white-collar crime, search and arrest, domestics, hostage negotiations, street decisions, first aid, firearms training, and participate in ride a-longs with police officers. The Ramsey Police Citizen's Academy is an intensive and interactive hands on seven-week course. This academy is an opportunity to increase communication and ongoing information sharing with participants, and reduce misunderstandings regarding police operations. They encourage participants to share their ideas on how to control and prevent crime in the community. In return, they hope participants will use their experiences in the academy to educate others.

December 20th, Past Rotary president Kurt Ulrich who is the Ramsey city administrator and City clerk spoke about the upcoming special election and some of the costs and work that it entails. This is an at-large seat with a term expiring at the end of 2018, so whoever wins this special election must hit the campaign trail again to be re-elected to a four-year term that would begin in January 2019. The City's Charter dictates a Special Election must be held to fill the vacancy if there is more than 365 days left in a Councilmember's term. Due to the adoption by State legislature of Uniform Election Dates, the next qualified date for a Special Election is Tuesday, April 10, 2018. If three or more candidates file for the office, the City's Charter states there will be a Primary Election. If such election is necessary, absentee balloting will begin on Friday, December 29, 2017

SMALL CLUBS: VOCATIONAL SERVICE ST. PAUL SUNRISE CHECKLIST

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District 5960
United States



DISTRICT 5960 AWARDS CHECKLIST FOR ROTARY YEAR 2017-2018

ITEMS DUE BY APRIL 1, 2018

Rotary Club of: St Paul Sunrise Rotary

Club Division: Large Club Medium Club Small Club

Award Category: Vocational Service

Check for each item completed:

- Conduct a club program promoting the 4-Way Test (Describe in narrative)
- Vocational/Classification Talks presented by Club members (# of talks)
- Conducted tours of members' businesses, i.e., Rotation Day (Dates)
- Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of Vocational Service (date)
- Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of ethics in business (Date) conference of clubs in April
- Initiated or maintained a career development program (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted a youth mentoring or job shadowing program, ie STRIVE (Describe in narrative)
- Conducted or participated in an ethics program for local youth
- Participated in at least one literacy project related to Vocational Service (Describe in narrative) Book Drive
- Participated in an adult literacy project utilizing the vocational skills of members (Describe in narrative)
- Presented an Employer of the Year Award (Name and Date) Peter + Jennifer Rosendale, Jan 2018
- Presented an Employee of the Year Award (Name and Date)
- Recognized a business or professional person in the community (non-Rotarian) for outstanding achievements (excluding Employer/Employee of the Year awards) (Describe in narrative) Seitu Jones March 2017
- Awarded vocational scholarship(s) to non-Rotarians (Describe in narrative) Gordon Parks High school Student June 2017 + June 2018
- Conducted a networking activity (Describe in narrative)
- Members participated in a Rotary Fellowship involving a vocation (Describe in narrative)
- Other (Describe in narrative)

List two of your best Vocational Service projects for this year:

1. The Annual Forum Club Members participating 80% *estimated*
2. Business Person of the year Club Members participating 50%

Total number of Vocational Service projects accomplished this year 10

Provide a narrative description of your Vocational Service activities. Using the attached form, limit your response to one page, and use Times New Roman 12pt font size. You are allowed to use up to six pictures to accompany your narrative to support your application.

A narrative follows: Yes No

SMALL CLUB: VOCATIONAL SERVICE ST. PAUL SUNRISE NARRATIVE

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AWARD CATEGORY: VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Conduct a club program promoting the 4-Way Test: Annually, our club presents a community forum on a topic of urgent concern to the community which promotes the Rotary 4-Way Test. This year, club members are concerned about the urgent topic of polarization: *until we can learn to understand different viewpoints, we cannot trust one another nor find solutions for mutually shared human needs.* For our club's 13th annual community forum on April 12, 2018, we are therefore presenting "Beyond Polarization: Finding Common Ground," with purpose of offering forum participants new understandings and strategies for initiating conversations that focus on our shared humanity and respect the integrity and worth of every individual's views. Last year over 130 people attended our forum.

Vocational/Classification Talks presented by Club members: Three club members presented vocational/classification talks: Tina Jones: Highway Credit Union, Karan Ciano: Community Collaborative Law Center, Tricia Wiitanan: Refined Homes

Devoted at least one Club meeting to the topic of ethics in business: This project spans two years' work: two club meetings last year were devoted to videotaping several members' presentations on how they use the Rotary 4 way test in their respective work in order create district 5960 Ethics Committee documentary "*Growing Your Club by Elevating the Rotary 4 Way Test to the Community Level.*" This year, 3 members (Ellen Luepker, Ed Marek and John Healy) continued collaborating with district 5960 leadership in order to assure completion of video and Ellen wrote a script for the video's "teaser," which will be presented at upcoming April 20, 2018 Conference of Clubs. The video documentary showcases various ways clubs in District 5960 are elevating the Rotary 4 Way Test to the Community Level, thus designed to be a Vocational Service resource for all district clubs.

Held a book drive for "Reading Partners" and collected over 400 books for St. Paul School Children.

Presented an Employer of the Year Award: At the HBA celebration, our club presented Rotarian Peter Rosendale and his wife, Jennifer Fox Rosendale with "*Business Persons of the Year*" Award.

Recognized a business or professional person in the community (non-Rotarian) for outstanding achievements (excluding Employer/Employee of the Year awards) On March 8, 2018, accompanied by District 5960 Governor Kyle Haugen, club members joined students and faculty at Gordon Parks High School civic engagement program to present a Paul Harris Award to Seitu Jones, community artist/activist from St. Paul for his emulation of the Rotary 4 Way Test and longstanding, significant leadership promoting civic engagement and environmental justice.

Awarded vocational scholarship(s) to non-Rotarians

Since June 2016, we award higher education scholarships for graduating Gordon Parks HS students whom faculty selected from among students our club honored with "Student of the Month" awards.

Conducted a networking activity: Two activities: On January 24, 2018, our club co-sponsored with Highland Business Association "Celebrate Highland," an event for Rotary and Highland Park-St Paul businesses and professions. For the silent auction, we contributed one new club membership which brought in one new member to our club. We also were the premier sponsor at The Midway Chamber of commerce lunch in January. This provided us opportunity to present about our club and network with local business leaders.

List two of your best Vocational Service projects for this year:

1. Annual Community Forum Club Members participating club members=100%
2. Paul Harris Award at Gordon Parks High School to community artist Seitu Jones. Club Members participating-- 56% --plus Rotary District Governor Haugen.

SMALL CLUB: VOCATIONAL SERVICE

ST. PAUL SUNRISE SUPPORTING PHOTOS

Vocational Service

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Rotarians at Gordon Parks High School 10 year celebration where Seitu Jones received his award

Seitu Jones receives a Paul Harris fellow for his outstanding contributions to our community.



Peter and Jennifer Rosendale receive business persons of the year at the Highland business association celebration. John Healy, President, Presented the award

13th Annual Community Forum

Presented by St. Paul Sunrise Rotary Club, in cooperation with Rotary Clubs of Minneapolis City of Lakes and Woodbury
 Thursday, April 12 • 7:15 - 9:15 AM
 Town and Country Club | Marshall Ave. at Otis, St. Paul

Beyond Political Polarization: Finding Common Ground for the Common Good

Creating positive dialogue across political divides is a challenging but essential task. This forum will explore the ways we can find common ground for a mutually shared common good.

Grounded in Rotary's 4-Way Test, this community forum will explore common understandings and strategies for facilitating conversations that focus on our shared humanity and respect the integrity and worth of every individual's voice.



Professor Bill Oberly PhD is a U of MN Professor of Family Social Science and marriage and family therapy. Dr. Oberly successfully leads de-polarization workshops throughout the country through the Los Angeles national organization's trainings. He is dedicated to de-polarization and working across divides by bridging liberals and conservatives together as understand each other beyond stereotypes and to form better alliances.

Register and pre-pay online by April 5th at stpaulsunriserotary.org
 Admission: \$25 - includes hot breakfast
 Questions: Ed Marek: ed@stpaulsunriserotary.org or 612-210-4342



Our annual forum: pictured above, last year's forum. To the left; marketing for our upcoming forum in April. Below, students of GPH, who were involved with "Break the Cycle" film, pose at the forum.



Ed Marek and Rotract's Chelsea Holub teamed up at the MSP Hello Spring event at MN History Center- What a dynamic duo, presenting Rotary to Twin Cities newcomers!



Cathy and Guillermo Velasquez from Velasquez family coffee. We partner with their family company for our ongoing fundraiser selling their coffee.



At the Midway Chamber of Commerce Lunch in January where we were the premier sponsor. Pictured with Joe Nayquonabe, from Mille Lacs Corporate Adventures.