



# Des Peres Rotary News

August 2007 The Rotary Club of Des Peres, MO Thursdays - 7 am

## JON KREMER HONORED WITH SCOUTING AWARD

by Fran McDaniel

Jon Kremer was surprised and honored to receive the Cliff Dochterman Award at the club installation dinner. This award recognizes an active Rotarian's exemplary support of Scouting, and Jon certainly is overqualified for this honor.

As part of his own Eagle Scout ceremony, Jon accepted the challenge to assist future Scouts to achieve their own Eagle Rank.

Dr. Clifford L. Dochterman served as the President of Rotary International during 1992-93. His professional career in college administration included 20 years at the University of California in Berkeley and 20 years at the University of the Pacific. He has received numerous honors for his professional contributions, leadership qualities, support of Scouting, and more. Dr. Dochterman's involvement with Scouting predates 1939, when he became an Eagle Scout.

The International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians is one of 90+ Rotary Fellowship and Action Groups established to bring together Rotarians with similar interests from



**A**s I reflect on my first month as President and the theme of this Rotary year, "Rotary Shares", we have already achieved many facets of the Rotary Shares theme. We have our monthly fellowship that Kevin initiated and we all enjoy. We had Lloyd Schnieders invite a Rotarian or non-Rotarian to support one of our Youth Exchange students. If you want more information on this please let me know. We learned about Randy McMichael's career and now our new St. Louis Rams' Tight End. (And Rammer had a great day!). We had the delightful Julia Gray visiting us in July as an exchange student from Australia.

Coming up we will be going to the Rascal's Baseball game on Aug 26<sup>th</sup>. This is just another opportunity to share in our fellowship. On Aug 30<sup>th</sup>, we will have Scott Harness, our District Governor, visiting our club. We can share with him how our club is special.

With our club directory being

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As an adult, he renewed his interest in Scouting when he volunteered to be an Assistant Scoutmaster for the Des Peres Boy Scout Troop 313 in 1988. His son Jack had joined the troop and Jon wanted to be involved in Scouting with his son.

Jon served Troop 313 as Scoutmaster from 1991-96. He was fortunate to have accompanied the troop on high adventure trips to Philmont in New Mexico and the Canadian Boundary Waters. As Scoutmaster, he received the President's Scoutmaster Award of Merit. He has served New Horizons District as Kirkwood Chairman for Friends of Scouting and currently serves as a Unit Commissioner and Merit Badge Counselor. He is especially proud that he has assisted over 120 young men in attaining their Eagle Scout rank.



Rotary scouting enthusiasts (L to R) Jim Smith, Jon Kremer and Tim Hampton

around the world. It is made up of Rotarians who are or were also Scouters. IFSR encourages and fosters the ideal of service by Rotarians to promote the growth and development of the Scout movement. IFSR also recognizes individuals who have provided exceptionally unique service to Scouting and to Rotary with the Cliff Dochterman Award. Of approximately 1.2 million Rotarians in more the 32,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas, Jon is only the 180<sup>th</sup> recipient of this award.

Congratulations, Jon, on receiving this high honor. You deserve it!

# Des Peres Rotary Record

## Desk Duty

August 2.....Maryann Antoine  
 August 9.....John Arthur  
 August 16.....Jack Barsanti  
 August 23.....Lou Bopp  
 August 30.....Lynn Bozzay  
 September 6.....Fred Bueler  
 September 13.....Erik Buschardt  
 September 20.....George Chow  
 September 27.....Bob Croghan

## Invocation Duty

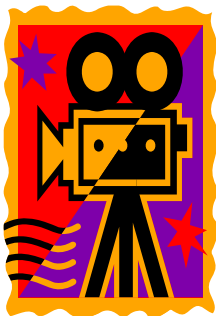
August 2.....Dave Forrest  
 August 9.....Dave Galli  
 August 16.....Tim Hampton  
 August 23.....Jim Harris  
 August 30.....Debra Haskin  
 September 6.....John Hirlinger  
 September 13.....Kim Hove  
 September 20.....Kevin Jenkins  
 September 27.....Norma Johnson

## August Birthdays

August 3.....Pat Guichet  
 August 10.....Cliff Kurrus  
 August 15.....Tom Keiser



*Happy Birthday!*



### **Preview of Coming Attractions**

- August 2** — Morning Meeting. Extended Rotary Fellowship -- no scheduled speaker.
- August 9** — speaker to be announced
- August 16** — speaker to be announced
- August 23** — Better Business Bureau
- August 30** — speaker to be announced

Des Peres Rotary Website  
[www.desperesrotary.org](http://www.desperesrotary.org)

Rotary International Website  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

District 6060 Website  
[www.rotary6060.org](http://www.rotary6060.org)

## RELAY FOR LIFE IN ST. PETERS

By Jon Kremer

The Relay for Life in support of the American Cancer Society was held July 14. All participants were given a T-shirt with the sponsoring organizations logos on the back. Des Peres Rotary donated \$ 400 to the cause and the Des Peres Rotary name and logo appeared on the more than 1000 t-shirts worn at the event. A sample of the t-shirt will be on display at an upcoming morning meeting.



Additionally, a stage consisting of six 4'x 8' sections of 2x12 lumber and plywood were constructed for the event by Jon Kremer and the carpentry crew from All of God's Children Camp.

### **Intercity**

Rotary Club of St. Louis

Thursday, August 9th at 12 noon  
 Missouri Athletic Club — downtown

Speaker: Mark Lamping, President of the St. Louis Cardinals

Cost: \$16



## DES PERES ROTARY CLUB

### 2007- 2008 OFFICERS

- Kara Dreste.....President
- Mark Pender.....President-Elect
- Kevin Jenkins.....Past President
- Jeff Johnston.....Secretary
- Rich Waigand.....Treasurer

### DIRECTORS AND STAFF

- Bob Stalinski.....Director of Club Service and Membership
- Jon Kremer.....Director of Community Service
- Eric Emery.....Director of Vocational Service
- Kim Hove.....Director of International Service
- Jim Smith.....Social Chair/Family of Rotary
- Mike Lodes.....Foundation Chair
- Nick Roberts.....Program Coordinator
- John Hirlinger.....Golf Chair
- Boyd Atteberry & Bill Wiley.....Public Relations
- Pat Guichet.....Sgt. at Arms
- Fran McDaniel.....Webmaster
- Photographer.....Pat Guichet

Lynn Bozzay.....Newsletter Editor

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**The Rotary Club of Des Peres** meets at 7 am each Thursday at The Missouri Athletic Club-West (MAC-West), 1777 Des Peres Road , St. Louis, MO 63131

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## ROTARY SHARES

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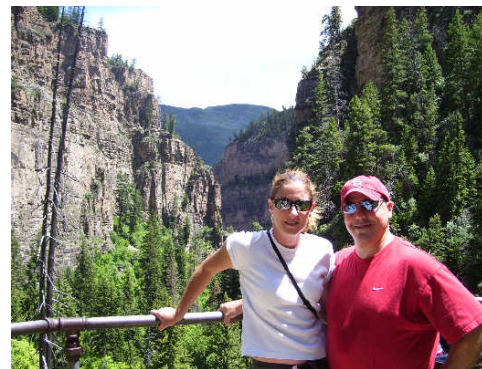
compiled we will be sharing our information with other members. Our newsletter is another way we share each month. On Oct 4<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting the Intercity. This is always a big event and I ask that if you have any contacts that you think would be ideal to let myself or Nick Roberts know. This is also a great time to bring prospective new members to a meeting.

We of course will soon be gearing up for our Public Safety officers lunch and other service projects. I will have Jim Smith see about starting our dinner club and possibly

poker night as well, just as other opportunities to share with other Rotarians.

I will share with you on a personal note all of the wonderful things that my family and I have done on vacations this year. I went to Ft. Lauderdale on a girls weekend and had a wonderful time. Make sure you ask me about Jerry the limo driver.

Jim and I went to Vail and spent time with the other couples we met on our honeymoon and had a reunion. We will try to do this every five years. We went hiking, white water rafting, golfing, and to the Cordillera spa. Lastly we just re-



Kara and Jim Dreeste getting some R&R in Vail

turned from our Destin, FL trip with Jim's family- in all 56 people came. The kids had fun at the beach and we had the best weather we ever had.

I look forward to continuing to share ideas, stories, time, projects, and enthusiasm.

Yours in Rotary  
Kara Dreeste



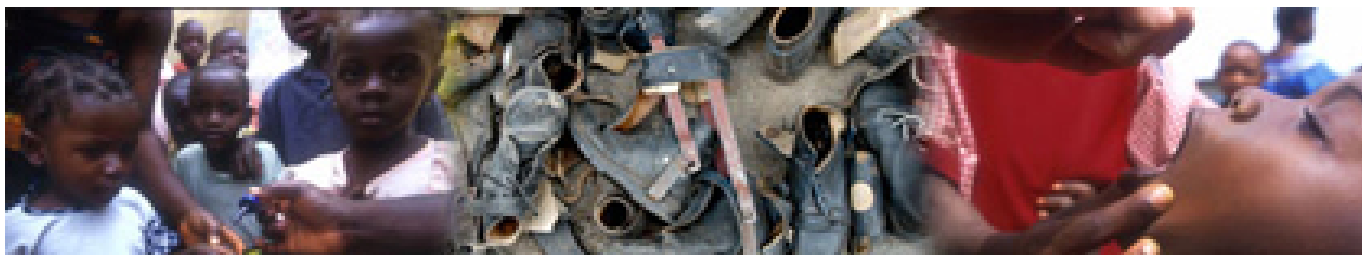
By Norma Johnson

If you would like to be "turned on for Rotary", attend an International Rotary Convention. I just returned from my seventh, which was held in Salt Lake City and was fantastic. Where else can you meet people from all over the world who share the same interests?!?

This year's convention was originally scheduled to be in New Orleans but was changed because of Hurricane Katrina. The Salt Lake City District only had 18 months to plan a meeting for over 17,000 people. Wow! The speakers were outstanding and included Bill Gates, Sr., Peace Scholars and lots of other inspirational people. Entertainment included attending a live broadcast of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir on Sunday morning, five Browns (one family) who played five grand pianos at the same time, Donny Osmond II, plus lots, lots more. Two Clubs from the Hamel, Utah area invited 160 Rotarians and their spouses to come to their site (formerly Olympics) with stagecoach rides, a band, a sit down dinner in the country club, plus of course, transportation from Salt Lake City. The scenery was beautiful and the evening one that I will always remember. Each afternoon there were breakout sessions on about 20 topics. The House of Friendship consisted of about 200 exhibits plus places to relax and visit with other Rotarians. There were over 500 Rotarians from New Zealand in attendance to honor this year's President, Wm. Boyd.

The convention for 2008 will be held in Los Angeles — the dates are June 15-18th. Over 3,000 Rotarians registered at the '07 convention — so it's not too early. I plan to block air space later on (after Southwest opens their books). It will be an experience of a lifetime.

To register online click on this link: <http://www.rotary.org/events/conventions/2008/>



# BIZ News...and More!

by Fran McDaniel

Grafica Fine Art and Custom Framing Gallery is one of only three Webster Groves businesses featured in *Treasures of Missouri* written by Damon Neal, a veteran traveler. Neal seeks out and supports local businesses wherever he is. His visits with local merchants began as stories in his journal and have now become a series of books highlighting shops and businesses he's discovered on his travels. Lary and **Lynn Bozzay** were honored to have the gallery included in this publication.



Lynn Bozzay



Rotarian Cliff Kurrus in 1957 and 2007

**Cliff Kurrus** has been a Rotarian for 50 years! He reached that milestone in April. Cliff began his Rotary experience with the St. Louis (Downtown) club but transferred to the Des Peres club a few years. He's inspired our members to become more active in Inter-city. Congratulations, Cliff, on reaching this major milestone. By the way, Cliff says he was seven when he joined Rotary.

*Tell us about work news, family milestones, vacations, etc., and we'll get the word out! Secret operatives are urged to tell us the good stuff you know. Send personal or professional news to Fran McDaniel or to Lynn Bozzay.*

## the roaming rotarian

By Jim Harris

My wife, Betty, and I tried to keep our expectations low for our recent 3-week trip to Turkey. So many friends had told us how much they enjoyed the country – we knew it couldn't be that great. Well, all of our expectations were exceeded.

Both of us enjoy delving into history and learning more about other cultures. Some of our experiences:

- In Istanbul we toured Hagia Sophia, originally built by the Roman Emperor Justinian in the 5<sup>th</sup> century A.D. It was then the largest church in the world and still stands today as a museum; we also visited Topkapi Palace, the home of the Ottoman Sultans, complete with a visit to the harem; and the Blue Mosque, which was built by a Sultan to outdo Hagia Sophia – not as big but exquisite.
- Cruising for 5 nights along the Mediterranean coast and traveling in the interior in Cappadocia we saw ruins left by Hittites, Lycians, Greeks (Alexander marched through here), Romans, Byzantines, Seljuk Turks and the Ottomans. We visited caravansaries (hotels / stables for caravans) built along the Silk Road and in one of them we witnessed a performance of Whirling Dervishes, a Muslim monastic sect
- We toured underground cities and Byzantine monasteries in Cappadocia. The Byzantine frescos are well preserved in the arid cave environment.
- In town squares and school classrooms we saw statues and photos of Ataturk, their George Washington. Beginning in 1919, Ataturk led the Turkish war of independence against the post-World War I occupiers and established a secular democracy. Although the population is over 95% Muslim, and the call to prayer is heard from minarets all over the country, the government is strictly secular and does not follow Muslim's Shariah law.
  - We ate the Mediterranean diet – lots of tasty fresh vegetables, yogurt, fresh fish from the Aegean, lamb and chicken. No pork – that's a Muslim no, no. Turkey is self-sufficient in agriculture, has a good industrial base and lots of European and Russian tourists.



We came home with an extended list of more reading and a little bit better understanding of how an unstable region got to where it is today. Turkey has its problems but we believe it is the best example of a Muslim country thriving in today's world. Well worth a visit!