

Upcoming Programs:

January 14
Our Gift Auction
(Follows board meeting)

January 21
Ed Bell
Rotary's Shelter
Box Programs

January 28
Our Student
Awards Begin!

EVERY ROTARIAN
US \$100
EVERY YEAR

Julia Kwolyk Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar



Proposed by the Rotary Club of Lawrence, Julia was selected by a Rotary International scholarship committee of regional Rotarians as a talented person who not only would benefit from a 6-month Cultural Ambassadorial Scholar during 2008-2009 time slot but Rotary



itself would benefit due to her proven abilities! She was hosted by Gloriette-Wien Club, District 1910 (in Vienna, Austria) and spent 6 months of intensive German language study in Vienna. Classroom constituency included students from Russia, Poland, Japan, Mexico, Albania, Serbia, Korea, and more...

- Achieved intermediate proficiency in the language and became involved in Gloriette-Wien Rotary Club

- Her host Counselor was Kurt Deutsch, a veteran host of several students

- Attended interesting district events: cultural talks on Turkey entering the European Union and a project of the Bundes- Blindenerziehungsinstitut, a theatrical production performed by blind middle-school children.- the Gloriette-Wien club is developing a music therapy program for these students.

- Collaborated with fellow Rotary scholars from the U.S. and Japan to perform Christmas music for the club meeting.

Community Involvement: worked at The Oasis in Traiskirchen, Austria, a refugee relief center for refugees from Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan, Russia, Chechnya, Bosnia, China, and more.

- Her involvement: she selected and performed music for Wednesday night fellowship services, passed out food and drinks, and cared for the children.

- Saw refugee conditions - people without possessions, family, familiar language, education, housing, employment rights; many are denied asylum due to the new Neuerungsverbot law and are detained for what can be years at a time under harsh conditions.

- Austrian refugees are fleeing from the Taliban and other terrorist groups, corrupt governments, and religious persecution. Learned some Austrian Culture - they have pride in an imperial history - Vienna was once the capital of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

-Agrarian culture: lots of natural foods, over 300 types of bread, annual Herbst Festival to celebrate the autumn harvest and locally-grown food!

Current Activities: Julia is an international school administrator in Boston and is producer and director of two benefit concerts to be held in March 2010 - one for the Lawrence Rotary Scholarship Fund and the other for the Rotary's PolioPlus program.

Thank you, Julia !!

Jeffrey Dugas & Granddad Bob

- two proud members of a great family! Jeffrey just received his Eagle Scout status at a January 3rd Court of Honor and is off to George Washington University after graduating from Westford School with a 4.0 average!!



NEXT WEEK IS OUR GIFT AUCTION !



Our president suggested each of us bring a minimum \$20 bidding cash plus gifts worth at least that amount, each!

Bring your unwanted Holiday Gifts and lots of bidding money! Let's raise lots of cash so we will be able to send several Lynn boys and girls to Camp Rotary this summer !

Each youngster we send cannot afford camp's \$600 weekly tuition - but we can help !!

Regifting is in the best tradition of many local clubs and *your* regift, new gift, or just make a gift... can be of any vintage! Not happy with that new tie or scarf, have some wine or gift certificates you can part with?

A gift of service? Cut someone's lawn for 8 weeks perhaps?

The more you can gift, the merrier you and others will be... especially the youngsters we can send to Camp Rotary this summer!



This is Rotary Awareness Month

Club president Elaine wants everyone to be aware of these messages from RI President John Kenny's Literacy Resource Group

LITERACY SERVICE PROJECTS - OUR ROTARY CLUB'S OPPORTUNITIES AND OBLIGATIONS

1. **Literacy** is one of five service project priority areas emphasized by RI President John Kenny.

a. The other four are HEALTH AND HUNGER, PUBLIC IMAGE, WATER, and YOUTH SERVICES

b. Each of these priority areas is serviced by a resource group whose members are appointed by President John

c. The RI Literacy Resource Group has 60 appointed members including 52 Rotarians appointed to serve Rotary's 52 zones. The name of your zone's literacy coordinator can be found at www.rotary.org/literacy.

d. The zone literacy coordinators work through their district counterparts to get information to the clubs and to find out what clubs are doing.

2. **Clubs can undertake service projects** in any or all of three categories

a. BASIC LITERACY – The ability to read, write and compute.

b. FUNCTIONAL LITERACY – The knowledge and skills needed for an adult to be a successful worker, citizen, parent and human being

c. CHARACTER LITERACY – The knowledge and skills needed by an adult to behave ethically in all aspects of life and to adopt Rotary's service above self view of a meaningful life.

3. **Literacy projects** are relevant to all of Rotary's Four Avenues of Service

4. **Vocational Service** literacy projects provide youth and adults with tools

for ethical behavior, meaningful employment and the Rotary vision of the meaning of work (*Service Above Self; They Profit Most Who Serve the Best*).

5. **Community Service literacy projects** address literacy problems in

the local community in one of three ways:

a. First, helping schools and other literacy agencies do their jobs by providing

financial support, in-kind gifts and personal services of Rotarians

b. Second, helping children, youth and adults who have been

unable to attend or succeed in school by organizing and supporting out-of-school remedial projects

Examples are a Concentrated Language Encounter class for slum children; a Computer-Assisted Literacy Project for dyslexic children; an Imagination Library project for children in families where the reading of books is not otherwise possible.

c. Third, promoting a local community culture of educational excellence and inclusion

Projects such as student and teacher recognitions, scholarships, contests and Competitions are examples.

6. **International Service literacy projects** most commonly work through The Rotary Foundation.

7. **Club Service literacy projects**

Computer links for more information:

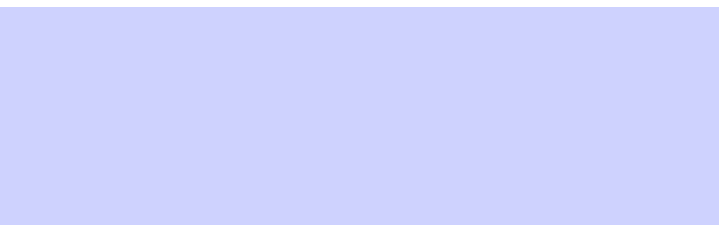
www.rotary.org/literacy

www.rizones30-31.net

www.rotary.org/projectlink

Our Huge \$22 Pot!

Attacking the money were Joyce and Bob Dugas and . . . the money is safe!!



GREETERS' SCHEDULE

January 14 - Virginia Doocy & Adam Sherman

January 21 - Jim Harris & Gene Hastings

January 28 - WE NEED 2 VOLUNTEERS!

Please remember, Greeters have to **BREAK DOWN** also !!