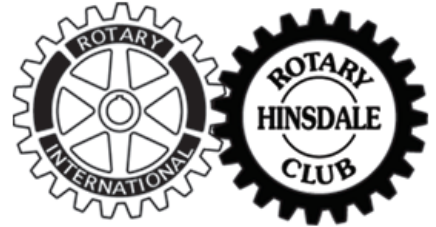


ROTARY IS OVER
100 YEARS

The WHEEL

ROTARY CLUB OF HINSDALE

Service Above Self
We Profit Most Who Serve Best



April 18, 2008

Today...

Nancy Hanson, from The Interfaith House. They are recent recipients of Oprah Winfrey's "Big Give" grant.

Next Week...

Sister Florence, who runs an HIV camp in Kenya.

Last Week...

Four-Way Test Essay Contestants.

Upcoming Events...

April 19th (Sat), District 6450 Assembly, registration and breakfast starts at 7 am, Meeting 8 to 12:30 pm, at The Marriott, 1200 Burr Ridge Parkway.

May 1-4th; The District Conference, Blue Harbor Resort, Sheboygan, WI. For details about District events, visit their web site at www.rotary6450.org

June 15th- 19th, International Convention Los Angeles, CA.

June 20th, Hinsdale Rotary Club Presidential Installation, Hinsdale Golf Club, Black Tie.

June 28th, District Governor's Installation, Oak Forest, 5:45 pm to 10 pm.

August 7th, Multiple Districts Day at the ballgame. White Sox vs. Tigers.

Spring Cleaning...

If you've never visited the home of Jean and Paul Harris, here's your chance to join in a great day of Fellowship and help do some outdoor yard and garden spring cleaning, next Saturday, April 26th from 9 am to 1:30 pm. The Jean and Paul Harris home is located at 10856 S. Longwood Dr., Chicago. Bring your rake or broom, maybe a leaf blower, your work gloves, your family and big smiles!

Four-Way Test History...

In honor of our recent Four-Way Test Essay contest, here's a brief history on how the four-way test got started. Herbert J. Taylor, a Chicago Rotarian and president of Rotary International conceived the Four-Way Test. In 1932, the creditors of the company assigned Taylor the task of rescuing an all-but-bankrupt aluminum cookware company.

Looking at the situation of the company and its competitors, Taylor decided that the only avenue in which the company could compete with them was in the character, dependability, and service-mindedness of company personnel. He felt the company needed a simple measuring stick of ethics, which everyone in the company could use.

In July, 1932, after careful consideration, Taylor penned, "The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say, or do".

After a long, faithful, constant effort to live up to The Four-Way Test, he decided to apply the test company-wide. The employees of the company were asked to memorize the test and apply it in every facet of company operations, from advertising to dealing with its customers and creditors, to relations with its own employees. Before an employee of the company could proceed on any course of action, the honest answer to all four questions had to be, "yes."

The result is a legend of Rotary. Slowly but surely, the company began to succeed and, within twenty years had become very successful and profitable.

In January 1943, Rotary decided to make The Four-Way Test a part of the



Pictured are our Four-Way Test Essay contest winners, (L to R, front row) Audrey Vicino, Eli Seo, and Morgan Celistan.

(L to R, back row) Melinda Morris, Meredith Christian and Erica Arnold. All students attend either Clarendon Hills Middle School, or Hinsdale Middle School. They each received a certificate and check. We received 32 entries this year, and our judges were impressed with the quality of the work. Erica Arnold's essay has been sent to the Dist. 6450 competition.

Vocational Service ideal and, in 1954, Taylor turned over all rights to the test to Rotary.

Rotarians have always shown a deep interest in young people, the future of the world. Since 1952 there have been a number of Rotary programs to introduce The Four-Way Test to school-children.

Greeters...

Today; Bob Kramer & Earl Larson.

April 25th; Keith Larson & Gary Lipinski.

May 2nd; John Liu & John Lowry.

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