



# ATTICA - WILLIAMSPORT ROTARY CLUB Newsletter



Service Above Self

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## News from ROTARY WORLD

“Rotary Returns to Afghanistan” “With the reinstatement of the Rotary Club of Kabul, Afghanistan, in late March, after a 24-year absence, Rotary is now in 166 countries.

The Kabul club existed from 1968 to 1979, but war and instability rendered it inactive. The 41-member club is part of District 3270 (Pakistan). Its sponsors are the Rotary Club of Hayward Sunset, California, USA, and the Rotary Club of Uni Town Peshawar, North-West Frontier Province, Pakistan. ... And during and immediately after the war that overthrew the Taliban, Rotarians rallied to the aid of Afghan refugees and internally displaced people. The RI

Afghan Refugee Relief Effort Committee worked in tandem with the office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees to purchase and distribute aid to thousands of Afghan refugees in Pakistan.”

Service above Self Award Rotarians exemplify motto

“When it comes to carrying out Rotary’s motto, Rotarians cover a broad canvas. The 144 Rotarians who received 2002-03 Service Above Self Awards hail from 28 countries and boast an equally wide range of achievements. “

Rotary World can be found at the web site, <http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/rotaryworld/0307/index.html>

## GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE PREPARING FOR MIDDLE EAST VISIT

This year the Group Study Exchange is with District 2450 in the Middle East. The team from our district will spend one week in each of four countries, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Cyprus. They will live in the homes of local Rotarians, meet with their professional counterparts and learn about that regions rich cultural and religious heritage. You might check out information about District 2450 by visiting their outstanding web site, <http://www.rotary2450.org/> I was interested to learn that the first Rotary club in their district was in March of

1929. The team from our district will Leave April 5 and return May 4, 2004. The in-bound team will arrive March 23 and depart April 19. Team members are professional people ages 25 to 40 who are not Rotarians. The team is led by a Rotarian. This is certainly a critical time in our history and a unique opportunity to learn more about the Middle East by interacting with Rotarians from there. If you know a professional in our community who would like to learn more about the Mid East and can spend that much time away, Suzanne Shackleton can get the applications and provide information.

## Future Programs

- \* This Wednesday, July 30, our District Governor will be visiting with us. I know that she will help us appreciate the range of services and programs provided by Rotary International as well as an overview of the District programs. Look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.
- \* August 6th Cindy Mason will provide a program on the Dental Express. I’m not sure who the guest speaker will be.
- \* August 13 Pam Byers will be here. She is responsible for recycling program in Warren County, I believe.
- \* August 20 Becky Jones who is the director of the EMT program at St. Vincent Williamsport will by our program guest.
- \* Thanks to Bob Cole and the Program Committee

## Meet the Purdue Coaches

Would you like to hear what Joe Tiller or Dave Shondell have to say about the upcoming football and volleyball seasons at Purdue? We have been invited to a Purdue Football and Volleyball Coaches luncheon on August 26, at 11:30 a.m. at the University Inn, West Lafayette. Lafayette Rotary is hosting this program for all area service clubs. Cost of the luncheon is \$8 and it is a buffet style meal. Let Judy Bush know if you would like to attend by August 20.

## Special points of interest:

All directors and committee chairs are to meet with the governor Tuesday, July 29, at the Apple Inn.

Rotary meets every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. at Harrison Hills

Directors meet the first Wednesday at 6 a.m.

Welcome to **Charlie Walker** who has transferred his membership to Attica-Williamsport.

## Current Officers

President **Judy Bush**  
Pres/Elect **Bob Cole**  
Secretary **Bob Shepherd**  
Treas. **Suzann Shackleton**

## Directors

**Mark Mason**, Past Pres.  
**Judy Hollander**  
**Fred Osborne**  
**Kathy Turpin**  
**Sandy White**

*The Four Way Test defines our behavior: Of the things we think, say or do*

- \* *Is it the truth?*
- \* *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- \* *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
- \* *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*