



# ROTARY ELEVATOR

August 26, 2008

## Message from President Bob

Well, I have made it through two months now as President and the Club isn't completely falling apart, yet!!! I do want to thank everyone for their support during this break-in period, but I think the honeymoon is over beginning in September. Speaking of which September is a busy month for the Club and the community. We have our **Golf Outing on the 5th** and hope you all are either participating with a foursome or sponsoring a hole, or preferably both. This is becoming a good fund raiser for the Club and your continued and future support is needed and appreciated.



Let's not forget the festivals that are coming up also, the **Popcorn Festival in Beavercreek** the weekend of the **Sept 6-7** with **Old Fashion Days Sept 12-14** and the **Bean Festival** to follow, capped off by the **Potato Festival Oct 4-5**. Volunteers are needed by various groups so do your part to promote service in the Club. Becky Rubin at the Prosecutor's Office 562-5663 is looking for volunteers to man the **Kids ID** booth at all the festivals, so let her know your interest ASAP.

**September 29th will bring District Governor Pat Edwards to the Club** and **Sunday, October 5th is Family Day for the Rotary District at Young's Dairy**. Our own Joe Mullins and his band will be the featured entertainment so let's plan on supporting the event with out attendance and help where needed. Is that enough to keep you busy for September into early October? If not let me know and will see what else I can come up with for you.

Let me be the first to **Welcome Dave Bartlett** into our Club. He will be officially pinned next Tuesday and will also be giving his vocational talk. Again, thanks for your support and please read the newsletter each week so if nothing else you see the assignments for the upcoming weeks.

Yours in Rotary,

Bob



## August 26, 2008 - Meeting Notes

	26-Aug-08
<b>Greeter</b>	Kim Sease
<b>Invocation</b>	Gregg Hebrank
<b>Music</b>	Harry Johns
<b>Sgt. At Arms</b>	Keith Sheridan
<b>Minutes</b>	Tony Sculimbrene
<b>Program</b>	Brett Ellis

August is coming to a close quickly and the Kids are back in school but Rotary moves on each Tuesday. Our Opening Prayer included Barb Z. and Don A. adding Jeff Lewis just getting out of hospital for blood clots. [To follow Barb Z.'s journey go to [www.caringbridge.org/visit/barbzajbel](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/barbzajbel) or to follow Jerry Armstrong's go to [www.caringbridge.org/visit/jerryarmstrong](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/jerryarmstrong). Jerry is having surgery Sept 2.] Visiting today was our longest continuing member Bill Hagenbuch having joined the Xenia Club in February 1948. Howard Coy is our oldest living member born in 1915 and joined the club in 1953 while Bill is younger born in 1918! Younger Virgil Brantley was born in 1917 joining the club in 1972.

Sarge Keith first fined Kim Sease who was late as our Greeter today. Then went after Kevin Wichman for having to carry his son's wedding announcement for 4 weeks to fine him by doubling the fine each week to \$8 added a \$1 fine for Brain S representing him and said he could donate the other \$1 to avoid breaking a \$10 bill. Sarge K finished with a Rotary Trivia contest by table. Most paid not knowing International Prez, from what country, when woman admitted to Rotary, this year's Rotary theme. Need to read the *Rotarian* magazine! 52/50 winner a Bradds named Ethan and the Attendance prize would have been won by missing Terry Tobey.

Brett Ellis presented Tom McCann (no not the shoe guy) a returning speaker on a variety of topics. Today he spoke on **Counterfeiting in our Supply Chain**. Using a power point presentation Tom began with a definition of counterfeiting- as *an imitation that is made usually with the intent to deceive or fool the buyer and others*.



The phrase "real McCoy" was used to refer to the authentic product by Elijah McCoy, inventor of a lubrication system for steam engines after failed attempts by competitors to make counterfeits of his lubricant.

*I don't belong to an organized party - I'm a Democrat. Will Rogers*

Counterfeiting now covers many products- auto parts, clothing, air craft parts, sporting goods – especially memorabilia, computer parts, music and pharmaceuticals. No one knows how big the counterfeiting business really is. In 1982 estimated \$5.5 billion to \$600 billion annually. In the U.S. alone estimated at \$100 million. In the auto parts they estimate counterfeits run \$3 billion in U.S. and \$12 billion world wide. Ford Motor figures \$1 billion in lost sales. Enough lost sales to have 200,000 more workers.

The fight against counterfeiting is not very effective. Minimal penalties, who does it hurt attitude, hard to catch are some of the reasons.

Counterfeit clothes, shoes and handbags from designer brands such as Louis Vuitton, Chanel and Gucci are made in varying quality; sometimes the intent is only to fool the gullible buyer who only looks at the label and doesn't know what the real thing looks like, while others put some serious effort into mimicking fashion details.

Counterfeit drugs are found predominantly on the internet or mail order sales. You may or may not have the actual ingredient in the pill which could be dangerous to your health. In the U.S. 3.7 billion prescriptions are filled each year but only 1% are suspected to be counterfeit. But that is still 37 million prescriptions!!! Use licensed local pharmacies to avoid.

Counterfeit parts may be defective and have higher failure rates. Bad computer parts have shut down some U.S. government networks bought at the “lowest bid”. How safe are we in our cars or flying in aircraft with higher failure rates. Be aware if price too good to be true it's probably a fake.

*President Bob's Thought of the Day: A journey of a thousand miles starts with a cash advance.*

**Program for Sept 2, 2008 –Chair: Melinda Cooper  
TBD**

**Announcements:**

- **Xenia Rotary Golf Outing Sept 5.** Need more Sponsors and Teams!
- **K.I.D.S. Program volunteers needed for Beaver Creek Popcorn Festival.**  
**Saturday, September 6 (10 a.m. – 8 p.m.)**  
**--need two people per time slot**  
 10 a.m. – 12:00 noon  
 12:00 noon – 2 p.m.  
 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
  
**Sunday, September 7 (11 a.m. – 6 p.m.)**  
**--need two people per time slot**  
 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
**Call Becky Rubin 562-5663**  
 Community Outreach Liaison -Greene County Prosecutor
- **Greene County Library Roberto Clemente Exhibit**  
 Now through October 12. Contact Christi Cox at 352-4000 or by email at ccox@gcpl.lib.oh.us

**Xenia Rotary Job Openings:**

**Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer** to be in training to replace Secretary Dave and Treasurer John L. in two years. See President Bob, Dave or John L. if interested.

**Elevator Editor** to replace Kent who has had the job for five years and would like to step back. The job could be shared by two or three people on a rotating basis. See Kent or Pres Bob if interested.

<b>Assignments – Please Mark your Calendars</b>	
	<b>2-Sep-08</b>
<b>Greeter</b>	Judy Ann Baker
<b>Invocation</b>	Cliff Johnson
<b>Music</b>	C.J. McLin
<b>Sgt. At Arms</b>	Gregg Hebrank
<b>Minutes</b>	Richard Holmes
<b>Program</b>	Melinda Cooper
	<b>9-Sep-08</b>
<b>Greeter</b>	Cliff Johnson
<b>Invocation</b>	Harry Johns
<b>Music</b>	Randy Overbeck
<b>Sgt. At Arms</b>	Gregg Hebrank
<b>Minutes</b>	Barb Zajbel
<b>Program</b>	Tony Deaton
	<b>16-Sep-08</b>
<b>Greeter</b>	Tom Sefton
<b>Invocation</b>	Barb Schenck
<b>Music</b>	Gloria Roth
<b>Sgt. At Arms</b>	Gregg Hebrank
<b>Minutes</b>	Ron Roth
<b>Program</b>	Steve Duellely

**ABC's of Rotary  
Club Singing**

Harry Ruggles was the fifth man to join Paul Harris in the conversations that led to the formation of the first Rotary club in Chicago in 1905. Harry was a fellow who enjoyed singing, and this was a popular activity at the turn of the century. At an early meeting of the fledgling group, Harry jumped on a chair and urged everyone to join him in a song.

Group singing soon became a traditional part of each Rotary meeting. The custom spread to many of the clubs in the United States and is still a popular fellowship activity in the Rotary meetings of such diverse countries as Australia, Japan, Nigeria, New Zealand, and Canada. Some clubs sing a national song as the formal opening of the meeting. Social singing, however, is seldom found in the Rotary clubs in Europe, South America, and Asia.