

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL WAHPETON ROTARY CLUB 1424**

**DISTRICT 5580**

**WAHPETON, NORTH DAKOTA**

MEETING TUESDAYS, 12:00 NOON AT PRANTE'S RESTAURANT, 11<sup>TH</sup> ST. N.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2006



2006 Rotary RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) members Josh Jelinek (L) and Lauren Straus (R) are pictured with President Nancy.



Rotarians heard how happy Josh and Lauren were with their Camp RYLA experiences. Josh is a senior and Lauren is a junior at Wahpeton High School. Their RYLA training helped them hone their skills in the “7 Habits of Highly Effective People.” They both made friends with whom they continue to keep in touch. Josh plans to attend again next year, as an official photographer. This is another Rotary success. (And thanks, Kim Althoff, for telling them about the opportunity to attend RYLA! Thanks, also, to the Rotarians who made sure all arrangements were made for Josh and Lauren to attend.)

**NOTE: BLUE WAHPETON ROTARY CLUB JACKETS can be ordered.** Contact Jeff Christopherson at Radio Shack to order yours! Then, WEAR YOUR JACKET proudly in the NDSCS Homecoming Parade on Saturday, 9/30/06 and tailgate to follow at American Federal Bank. Rotarians will happily serve cupcakes to celebrate Rotary in our community.

**ORIENTATION FOR NEW MEMBERS SCHEDULED:**

On 9/20 and 10/4 (both Wednesdays), orientation will be held at 12:00 noon at the Stern Cultural Center (lower level). This is for new members and any Wahpeton Rotary members interested in a review of Rotary programs and operations. Lunch will be served, so please RSVP to Kim Althoff at the NDSCS Alumni office. We don't want them to run out of food!

## ***Upcoming Rotary events – invite a friend to join you at a meeting***

**Work on the double-decker bus resumes. Anyone have details yet?**

**September 19** – program hosted by Dick Geiselhart

**September 20** – Orientation at Stern Cultural Center (lower level)

**September 26** – program: Student of the Month

**October 3** – program

**October 4** – Orientation at Stern Cultural Center (lower level)

Your input is needed... Call Pam at home 642 4149, or work 642 2442 or e-mail [pame@702com.net](mailto:pame@702com.net).

**Explore Rotary!** Here are some handy Rotary websites.

- [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) Rotary International
- [www.wahpetonrotary.org](http://www.wahpetonrotary.org) Wahpeton Rotary
- [www.clubrunner.ca/5580](http://www.clubrunner.ca/5580) District 5580
- [www.campryla.org](http://www.campryla.org) RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award)
- [www.winnipegrotary.org/muna/index.html](http://www.winnipegrotary.org/muna/index.html) MUNA (MUNA = Model United Nations Assembly)

## **GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE (GSE) to District 1740 in FRANCE June 2-29<sup>th</sup>...**

applications for team members & team leaders now open and forms are available at [www.clubrunner.ca/5580](http://www.clubrunner.ca/5580). Check it out! Lots more info available there!

**A look back:** Remember the list of past Wahpeton Rotary Presidents in the 9/3/06 newsletter? Did you notice Bill Loberg's name (President 1993-94)? Well – welcome back to Bill Loberg! It's good to have you “home!”

**TWIN TOWN VILLA visit:** On 9/12/06, the Wahpeton Rotary Club met at the new Twin Town Villa, an assisted living apartment setting in north Breckenridge, MN, where people can request services a la carte. Thus, residents pay only for the support services needed. It's quite a place. If you have not seen it, stop by. The former Red River Valley Concierge, Troy Wittenburg, is the manager. Troy happens to be the brother of Wahpeton Rotary Club member Kim Althoff.

If anyone has pictures from the visit to Twin Town Villa, e-mail them to Pam ([pame@702com.net](mailto:pame@702com.net)). We'll include it in a future newsletter as space allows.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Information on the next page was obtained from various sources. With so many Rotarians active in our community, you may see many people you know “out and about.” For a detailed list of community events, meetings, and what's happening when, go to [www.rsvc.com](http://www.rsvc.com) (or the Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce webpage at [www.wahpetonbreckenridgechamber.com](http://www.wahpetonbreckenridgechamber.com)).

FYI - Our Rotary Club has a link from the Concierge's page to [www.wahpetonrotary.org](http://www.wahpetonrotary.org). Have you seen our web page lately?

- **HYETT PALMA RETURN VISIT** – Tuesday, 9/19/06, 7:00 p.m. at Wahpeton High School Auditorium (use south entrance). Hyett Palma studied the Twin Towns earlier this summer. Representatives will review their proposed plans for revitalizing our downtown communities. [Very timely with the news about our J C Penney store slated to close 11/10/06.]
- **PUBLIC BIRD FLU PREPAREDNESS/HOME EMERGENCY KITS** – Thursday, 9/21/06, 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the NDSCS Activity Center. Free to all. Speakers, booths, handouts – info you can use to prepare yourself, your home, your family for a bird flu pandemic.
- **THREE RIVERS CRISIS CENTER** – Recruiting volunteers to become Crisis Intervention Advocates. Pick up applications by Friday, 9/22/06 for fall training. Call 642 2115 for info. We’ve had speakers from the Center at Rotary Club meetings. We help meet the need of many people in crisis with our support of the Center.
- **BUSINESS PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS & RECOVERY PLANNING** – 9/28/06, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at NDSCS Tech Center. Prepare your business for the impact of the avian flu. Space is limited; \$20 registration fee/person (includes refreshments).
- **NDSCS HOMECOMING PARADE** – Saturday, 9/30/06, 10:00 a.m. ROTARIANS, forward march! (In your blue jackets...see above.)
- **NDSCS ALUMNI/FOUNDATION INAUGURAL HOMECOMING RUN/.WALK** – First Annual 5K/10K Fun Run/Walk - Saturday, 9/30, Registration at 7:00 a.m. at the NDSCS Activity Center. Get your running shoes out!
- **ST. CATHERINE’S LIVING CENTER ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL** – pancake feed Saturday, 9/30, 7:00 a.m.-12:00 noon at the Wahpeton Vet’s Club. All are welcome.

**FOUR-WAY TEST:** We read it, hear it, and admire it; our challenge is to apply it.

Of the things we think, say, or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH** FYI – our Student of the Month focus is changing. For many years we recognized outstanding high school seniors. This year, we will recognize both junior and senior students. The main reason for this is to encourage the junior students to consider future involvement in the various Rotary youth programs. Senior students are often unable, due to their age or schedules, to benefit from the many excellent youth programs Rotary has to offer.

Juniors may have more time to consider participating in Rotoract, the Rotary Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Award (Camp RYLA at Crookston, Minnesota), and MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly – in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada). Our intent is to promote these programs most to the people who can benefit from them and take advantage of the opportunities offered.