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R.I. Past President Rich King Visits Northern Michigan

Rotary International Past President Rich King visited the Cadillac Rotary Club, Tuesday, August 5th to promote Rotary's support of the Wheelchair Foundation.

The Wheelchair Foundation is a non-profit organization (established in June 2000 with a grant by the Kenneth E. Behring Foundation) leading an international effort to deliver a wheelchair to every child, teen and adult in the world who needs one, but cannot afford one. For those individuals, the Wheelchair Foundation delivers Hope, Mobility and Freedom.

Over its first five years, the Wheelchair Foundation aims to distribute one million wheelchairs to people who cannot afford to buy one, and to further the awareness that a wheelchair is no longer an unaffordable item for delivery in developing countries around the world.

A "strategic alliance" was formed between Rotary International and the Wheelchair Foundation. (Rotary has 1.2 million members in 32,000 clubs in more than 200 countries.) By early 2003, Rotarians have sponsored more than 50,000 wheelchairs to some 60 countries, and the pace is accelerating. As a hands-on service

project, Rotarians send wheelchairs to member communities regions of the world where the organization has clubs.

One of the first concerns that Ken Behring had to address was the ability to purchase and then distribute large numbers of wheelchairs worldwide. Manufacturers were chosen to supply the wheelchairs, and initial orders were placed in increments of 10,000. Most manufacturers had never received an order like this before, so Mr. Behring was able to get the price that he sought. A freight forwarding company was contracted to handle the logistics of shipping 40-foot sea containers, each holding 240 wheelchairs. If all of the planning and calculations were correct, the Wheelchair Foundation would be able to deliver a high-quality wheelchair anywhere in the world for the unheard-of price of \$150. This is a wheelchair that is designed specifically for use in developing countries, and will allow people who have spent many years (or their entire life) on the floor of a room or in a bed to be an active member of their family and/or community.

The calculations were correct and the Wheelchair Foundation will match every \$75 donation to complete the sponsorship of a wheelchair. The Rotary Club of Cadillac presented Rich with a check to sponsor 10 wheelchairs. The HLHS Interact club presented Rick a check to sponsor two wheelchairs and the Houghton Lake Rotary Club presented a check to sponsor eight wheelchairs. When the wheelchairs are distributed, a picture of the recipient will be returned to the sponsor.

More information about the Wheelchair Foundation can be found on the internet at www.wheelchairfoundation.org.



Interact President, George Davis, Interact Senior Director John MacKenzie II, Past R.I. President Rich King, and HL Rotary President Gary Gandolfi at the Cadillac Rotary Club meeting Tuesday, August 5th.

Service Above Self

The Four Way Test of the things we say or do

- 1) Is it the truth?
- 2) Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build good will and better friendships?
- 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

2003-2004 Rotary Theme



Lend a Hand

The Four Avenues of Rotary Service

Vocational Service

Representing the dignity and utility of one's vocation to others.

Club Service

Activities to make a club function successfully.

Community Service

Activities to improve the quality of life in one's community. Assistance to youth, the aged, the handicapped and others.

International Service

Programs and activities to advance international understanding, goodwill and peace. Meeting humanitarian needs of people in many lands.

Program

A. Docherty 8/18
 Club Assembly 8/25
 Labor Day 9/1
 D. Follrath 9/8
 J. French 9/15
 B. Gandolfi 9/22
Dist Governor! 9/29

Greeters

Hunter / Hanson
 Hunter / Hanson
 NO MEETING!
 Hance / Hacker
 Hance / Hacker
 Grover / Graham
 Grover / Graham

Rotary/Interact Calendar

August is Rotary Membership Month!

- Board Meeting - Sept. 8, 2003 1:15 PM
- Adopt-A-Highway - September 13-21, 2003
- Dist. Governor visit - September 29, 2003
- Silent Auction - April 24, 2003

2003-2004 Rotary Int. President: Jonathan Majiyagbe
 2003-2004 Rotary Dist. 6290 Governor: Chuck Vonesh

**Rotary Club of Houghton Lake
 2003-2004 Officers and Chairmen**

President	Gary Gandolfi
Past President	Laurie Wallin
President Elect	Randy Seymour
President Nominee	John Stark
Secretary	Bob Pacella
Treasurer	Bert Sisson
Board Members	Denise Clasen, Russ Graham, John Stark, Rick Hacker
Auction	Allison Docherty/Denise Clasen
Sgt. At Arms	Dan McGregor
Vocation	
International	Wendy Turner/Rhonda Lamberg
Community Service	Debbie Banks
Club Service	
Club Membership	Robert Gandolfi
Strive	Denise Clasen
Program	Lou Boggs
Bulletin/Webmaster	Gary Gandolfi
WCS Project	
Foundation/Polio	

Rotary Club of HL meets each Monday at Coyle's-12:15pm

Rotary Membership:

Terry Anderson-PP	Rick Hacker	Mike Ryan
Debbie Banks	Amy Hance	Rich Saterlee
Charlie Berg	David Hanson	Randy Seymour-PE
Lou Boggs	Steve Hunter	Anita Sheppard
Dick Brown	Vickie Kalmbach	Bert Sisson
Mike Burnside	Jim Kent	Barb Souder-PP
Denise Clasen	Rhonda Lamberg	Louise Spicer-PP
Jim Deamud	John MacKenzie-PP	Phillip Spicer-PP
Allison Docherty	Dan McGregor	John Stark-PN
Dick Follrath	Tom McNamara-PP	Diane Tompkins
Jim French	Darrell Milner-PP	Wendy Turner
Bob Gandolfi-PP	Tom Moreau-PP	Rodney Walker
Gary Gandolfi-P	Marv Myers	Laurie Wallin-PP
Art Gonzalez-PP	Bill Oliver-PP	Sindy Winkler
Russ Graham-PP	Bob Pacella	
Matt Grover	Mike Rankin	

**HL High School Interact Club
 2003-2004 Officers and Chairmen**

President	George Davis
Past President	Elise Jury
President Elect	Mary Domsitz
Secretary	Lauren Lambert
Treasurer	Kate Lepper
Sophomore Director	Amanda Davis
Junior Director	Courtney Yoder
Senior Director	John MacKenzie II
Advisors	Alison Docherty Bill Oliver

Interact meets twice monthly during seminar -
 10:15 am in the cafeteria.

Interact Membership:

Kelsey Barber	Shanna Heiser	Jeremy Ryan
Lou Boggs	Brittany Herbst	Eric Spearman
Sara Buccilli	Casey Hodges	Brian Suchowesky
Thais Cardarelli	Becky Homan	Casey Thayer
Devon Clifford	Marissa Janco	Ashley Tift
Megan Clock	Christa Kubiak	Shawna Trahan
Jimmy Cole	Lauren Lambert	Rachel Walch
Amanda Davis	Kate Lepper	Paige Warden
George Davis	Kelly Lepper	Nicole Waters
Heather Davis	Aaron Linskey	Courtney Yoder
Mary Domsitz	Alyssa Loney	Ashley Ziehm
Jered Dowland	Emily Loy	
Erika Fitzgerald	John MacKenzie	
Peiron Forbes	Dani Marquedant	
Andrew Fossitt	Kurt Mason	
Natalie Foster	Nicole Mieske	
Amy Gancitano	Rachel Nauikow	
Zak Hammond	Jacqueline Neill	
Leanna Harvey	Andrea Randall	

August 11, 2003 retrospect:

Program: James Deamud—HL Improvement Board update

Interact Guests: Summer Break
 Other Guests: Stacey Barnes, Sam Bush (St. Johns, MI RC), Morgan Winkler, Michael Winkler, Riley Pacella, Bobby Pacella, Linda Halliday, Briana McGregor

Birthday: Bert Sisson (\$5 silence)

HL Rotary news:

- Matt & Kathy Grover are the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl! Leah Elizabeth was born August 2, 2003 at 4:01 am and weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz! Congratulations Matt!
- Inbound exchange student, Susanna Vuorinen from Finland, will arrived August 13th and will visit Rotary next Monday!
- The Rotary Park pavilion construction is underway!

HLHS Interact news:

- Congratulations to this year's graduating Interact seniors:
Tiffany Ancel, Billee Banks, Lisa Burnett, Jessica Burnett, Josh Caswell, Jessica Domsitz, Steven Faust, Megan Fryck, Catie Hock, Kendall Johnson, Elise Jury, Lauren Lambert, Kristin MacArthur, Jared Milner, Nicole Schaefer, Dale Shagena, Linna Shamel, Tony Silva, Tyler Stark

Proposed Members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Business/Company</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Week</u>
Bill Collin	Health Services	Mercy Health Services	R. Seymour	@
Stacey Barnes	School Administration	Kirtland Comm. College	R. Hacker	@

Any objections to proposed members must be submitted to the Rotary board before the third week on this list. A @ in the Week column indicates "Approved for membership".

Inbound Exchange Student: Susanna Vuorinen
 Home city, country: Finland

Outbound Exchange Student:
 Host country:

Meetings can be made up lunch time at:



Monday: Hotel Kalkaska, Kalkaska
Tuesday: McGuires, Cadillac
Wednesday: Patti's Townhouse, Grayling
Thursday: BJ's, Gaylord
 Fred's Tavern, Roscommon

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