

# ROTARY NEWS

**PROGRAM 5-14-97:** Jack Swanson, as only Jack could, gave us Jack's version of Barbara Walters interrogating her Mother. On the pretext that all mothers were invited to this Rotary meeting, Jack convinced his Mom to join us for lunch on her birthday. She had no clue that she was to be the program!

Jack and his Mom were seated in front of the group for "This is Your Life, Katharyn Swanson." Katharyn began her life in Woodhall, Illinois, as Catharine May. As a very young girl, she decided to change the spelling of her first and middle names to Katharyn Mae. By the time she was a young adult, she had used her "new" name exclusively and then had to legally have it changed.

She later moved to Orien, Illinois, where her Father ran a grain elevator and was the inventor of a special conveyor. She now lives in Park Ridge, the home place of our First Lady. Katharyn gave a firm "no comment" to her son when he asked about Mrs. Clinton.

Katharyn had a sister with a most unusual name, Jevannah, and that name has been perpetuated in Jack's family (or should we call him John Edward, or better yet "Jackie"). Katharyn gave us her memories of the depression and how difficult the time was for the family. Without a chicken donated by her church, the family would have had little for a

Thanksgiving meal. The only Christmas gifts came from her fiancé. Katharyn met H. Edward Swanson at a church meeting and going to the movies was a special treat. Katharyn and Edward lost two small children after Jackie so tried to adopt. Unexpectedly through an inquiry to Katharyn's doctor, they received grand news that a baby girl was available, Jackie had a sister, Deanna.

A favorite pastime (first introduced by her son!) is playing the 5¢ and 25¢ slots in Las Vegas. Katharyn told her children at an early age there was no Santa Clause but since the children wouldn't believe her, Santa Clause came not just once but three times to the house each Christmas, once to bring the tree, once on Christmas Eve and once on Christmas Day. At Easter, Jack and Deanna knew that the Easter Bunny brought all sorts of special things hidden around the house and according to Mom, "still believed through college."

Although originally introduced as Jack's 105 year old Mother, we learned from Janet that Katharyn has enjoyed her diamond birthday plus 12 years. A truly special program for a special Birthday lady. Now we know where Jack gets his good looks, quick wit and graciousness. Thanks Jack for sharing a special time with the Club.

**OBJECT OF ROTARY:** To encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and in particular to encourage and foster: First. The development of acquaintances as an opportunity for service. Second. High ethical standards in business and professions: the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations: and the dignifying by each Rotarian of their occupation to serve society. Third. The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to their personal, business, and community life. Fourth. The advancement of International understanding, good will and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional people united in the ideal of service.

## 4-WAY TEST

1. Is it the truth
2. Is it fair to all concerned
3. Will it build good will and better friendship
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned

## MEMBER & CLASSIFICATION

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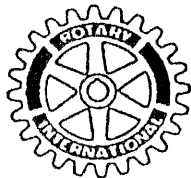
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E. Maynard Beal	Larry Lenz
Bertha Deuth	Anna Mae Lillie, Deceased
Harold Eshbaugh, Deceased	Arnold Maxwell, Deceased
Gloria Fallon	Lillian McCanse
Lois Fischer	Warren Miller
Harry Franklin, Deceased	Eleanor Moehle
Gerald K. Garard, Deceased	Wilbur Pickering
Forrest Gillespie, Deceased	Brian Savage
Clarence Johnson, Deceased	Phil Weimer
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### MAY 14, 1997

**PROGRAM FOR MAY 21** - Kim Krahenbuhl will present James Loomis, Executive Director of the Greater Rockford Airport to give us an update on the Airport and future plans.

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

May 28 - Fred Deuth                      June 4 - Bob Moehle  
June 11 - Marty Typer                      June 18 - James Fallon

**TAILDRAGGERS:** Sue Coppernoll, Mike Fager, James Fallon, George Fischer, Conrad Kolpak, Ed McCanse, John Nysather, Patrick Riley

**TAILWAGGERS:** None

**GUESTS:** Steve Ames, a guest and hopefully perspective member of Marty Typer. Steve is an associate of Fearer & Nye. Randy Yalhala, with the auto dealership of Brian Bemis was a guest of Carol Berg. Jack Swanson had three guests: his wife Janet, his mother, Katharyn, and friend, Carl Nelson. More about Katharyn later.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Marty Typer

**FUN WITH FINES:** Gary Davis first fined everyone not having their Rotary lapel pin and second for not knowing the answers to some brainteasers. Unfortunately, Gary didn't have much of an audience to tease.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dale announced the following action at this morning's Board Meeting: sponsor two Village of Progress campers for \$120; hired Ron Modell's Jazz All-Stars for Dixieland music - Mark Twain Days. Everyone is reminded to keep Saturday, Sept. 6th available so the entire membership can assist with our special Riverboat Excursions. Fundraising recipients will be LSSI-45%; Rotary World Service-45%; and Oregon Rotary Foundation-10%.

Our Club has been asked to assist with the Rock "N River Fest. We will staff the jail and bail activity. Up to 100 citizens will be "jailed" in a special cell constructed next to the information booth between the hours of 11 and 3, June 4th and June 5th and the hours of 5-7 on June 6th. Everyone arrested must post a minimum of \$200 in bail money to be released. Phones will be available at the jail to call friends, neighbors, relatives, co-workers, or whomever might be willing to post part of the bond. Rotary members will staff the jail in two hour segments to collect the bail money. We will earn 10% of all collections. Again, keep these dates open on your calendars and be prepared to volunteer for a 2 hour shift or be assigned a time.

Hollie and Judy gave us final updates on the golf outing. Still need more helpers. **TURN IN YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS!**

**Please note Bulletin Editor needed as of July 1, 1997. Please let Pres. Dale know if you can help.**

Chicago      Tues. 12:10 p.m.  
Dixon        Mon. 12:00 p.m.  
Freeport    Thurs. 7:15 a.m.  
Freeport    Mon. 12:10 p.m.  
Machesney Park Thurs 7:00 a.m.

Milledgeville Wed. 12:10 p.m.  
Mt. Carroll    Tues. 12:00 p.m.  
Oregon        Wed. 11:45 p.m.  
Pecatonica    Wed. 6:30  
Polo          Tues. 12:15 p.m.

Rochelle      Tues. 12:10 p.m.  
Rock Falls    Mon. 5:00 p.m.  
Rockford     Thurs. 12:00 p.m.  
Savanna      Wed. 12:15 p.m.

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Sycamore      Wed. 12:15 p.m.  
Sterling       Tues. 12:10 p.m.  
Thomson-York Fri. Noon  
Twin Cities, Sterling-Rock Falls Thurs. 7:00 a.m.