

ROTARY OIL



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

The Four-Way Test is a test of the things Rotarians think, say, and do.

*Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR to all concerned?

***Will it build **GOODWILL**

And better **FRIENDSHIPS**?

****Will it be **BENEFICIAL**

To all concerned?

Think about how the Four-Way Test can help you as you may reach out to help others.

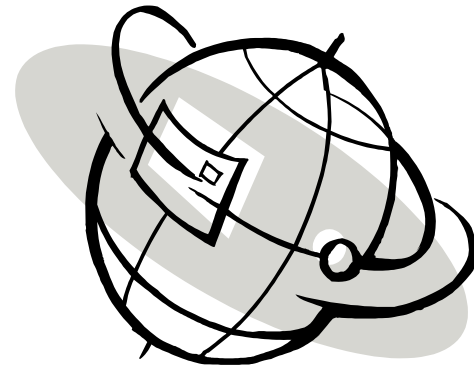
It hurts to go hungry. It also hurts not to give. Hunger is a local and worldwide catastrophe.

ROTARY SHARES—Helping the Hungry

Have you ever been hungry, really hungry, and your cupboard was bare? If so, then you know the feeling; it isn't pretty.

Millions of Americans of all ages go hungry every night. It's a shame in a nation with so much pride and so much wealth. The hunger is everywhere worldwide—and right in our own backyard in Bradford!

One literal salvation to help the hungry is the Salvation Army. The Army's commitment to helping others is an impeccable record of unselfishness to the nth degree! The Army in Bradford is no exception and it has a daily list of people in need of help, especially in need of food.



ROTARY SHARES, a program established by Club President Susan Evans, is a program to aid the Army to fill its cupboards with non-perishable foods throughout the year. Hunger knows no date, no holiday. Food is needed daily.

Rotarians, like the Army, have a lifetime pledge of

helping others, and supplying food is a just humanitarian deed.

Rotarians, open your hearts, please bring the goods to Mike Fitzpatrick's store on Main Street. The goal is to donate a truck full of food by Thanksgiving.

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Donations sought for Tri-County Fire School

The Tri-County Fire School, which trains volunteer firefighters in McKean, Elk and Potter counties, and invites others too, relies on donations to operate.

One of those donors has

been the Rotary Club, for 27 years with money or a dinner. The school needs money—and it is a very loud alarm for all Rotarians to consider pitching in.

Without the School's

training, then all the fire and rescue equipment may well sit idle.

Tax-deductible donations are payable to the Bradford Rotary Foundation. George Evans is the secretary.

Rotary, Era sponsor U.S. Army band Oct. 16

The Volunteers are world-renowned and are coming to Bradford, thanks to the Rotary Club and the Bradford Era.

The U.S. Army's show band, The Volunteers, will perform at the University of Pittsburgh's Bromeley Family Theater on Sunday, Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m. The concert is FREE to the public and is sponsored by Rotary and the Bradford Era.

This is NOT a 60-piece ensemble; rather, it is a six-member pop band playing a mix of rock 'n' roll, country and modern

popular music.

Coordinating the concert are Garry Pugrant and Woody Woodruff. "We felt that this would be a nice service to the community to have a free concert. People seem to really enjoy their music," Garry said. "Hopefully, lots of people will come out and have lots of fun."

Besides all the 50 states, The Volunteers have

performed in Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Nicaragua, Belgium and at Guantanamo Bay. The band frequently makes room on their calendar to play for wounded soldiers, children, and senior citizens. The very talented musicians are known as "The Ambassadors of the Army."

For success on Oct. 16th, Rotarians are urged to lend a hand that night.

EndPolioNow Golf Tourney Nets \$8,000

July 30, 2011 turned out to be a uniquely special day for Rotary and for Rotary International's EndPolioNow campaign. Our Club netted \$8,000 as a contribution to RI to continue its fight to eradicate the disease.

This was the second golf tournament. Last year's event netted \$7,000, which makes the total in just two years \$15,000 in cash given to the fight.

As a result of the amount, the Club has earned 15 Paul Harris Fellow awards. Two awards were given in June—to Rhett Kennedy and Javed Akhtar. That leaves 13, as of Oct. 1, 2011. There is no deadline on the issuance of the Harris's.

Chair of the event is Akhtar. He has spearheaded solicitations of the cash donations from

an array of donors, many of them local physicians.

Already plans are underway for next year's event, but to make that event continue the cycle of success, Rotarians need to step up to the plate to help out. This is a monumental undertaking that can only do what it has to do with help from Rotarians. If you are interested, contact Javed pronto.

Rotary welcomes three new members

The Club welcomes with pride three new members: Jill Ballard, Robin Borland and Jim Tingley.

Their membership brings the October 2011 total to 42 active members.

President Susan Evans encourages Rotarians to

seek members who have a keen interest to serve others and to remain active Rotary servants. Membership packets are available from Susan and should be handed to prospective members so they gain information about Rotary. The packet

includes RI's Rotary Basics, which is a comprehensive profile of Rotary worldwide. The packet also includes a membership applicaton.

A service to the Club is to invite those who will grow as active participants.

'Best of the Best' is an honor—and a challenge

As Club members know, the Club was honored as the "Best of the Best" at the District Conference in June in Titusville. The honor was extraordinary, indeed!

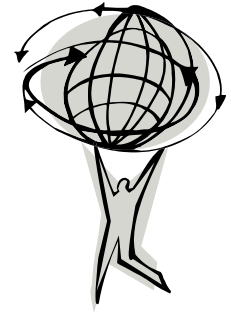
As stated by the Bradford Era, "this was an unexpected and extraordinary honor for a club that unfailingly has gone about its mission of helping others since its local founding in 1922."

The award, selected by an independent panel, cited our Club's work with CARE ever since that agency's founding in 1924 (with the help of Bradford Rotarians), its numerous fundraising events which include Special Olympics, Evergreen Elm and Futures, Books for Babies, the Tri-County Fire School, and scholarships at BAHS and Pitt.

Surely the achievements

of the Club have been progressive because they have been consistent over decades through all local and national economies.

The challenge is to pursue Club endeavors, "not to earn awards but to serve others without regard for oneself, which is the ultimate sign of generosity and unselfishness," said President Susan. "Service Above Self" is not an empty motto."



Pakistani GSE Members Appreciate Bradford



Exchange Program is a builder of bridges

Going back many years the Club has sponsored an exchange student who has lived with a local family, enjoyed the area's culture and recreation, and attended Bradford Area High School.

This year is no different

with Quentin Goossens, of Bouge, Belgium, joining the Asinger host family and attending BAHS.

The program has served as a builder of bridges between nations. Our Club has hosted students from Japan, Chile, Brazil

and Switzerland, among others. "Building that bridge between nations is fully represented in the kinds of fine young men and women Rotary has hosted," said President Susan.

YEO chair is Rick Esch.

The Youth Exchange program has served as a builder of bridges between nations. The Bradford Rotary has a long history of hosting students from foreign lands.

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***“SERVICE
ABOVE SELF”***

Is a guidepost to helping others. It is more than a Rotarian motto.

2011-12 Club Officers

Susan Evans, president

Javed Akhtar, president-elect

Curt Wallace, vice president

George Evans, secretary (also Assistant Governor for Bradford, Sheffield and Warren Rotaries)

Rich Johnson, treasurer

Don Fredeen, sergeant – at-arms

Rhett Kennedy, immediate past president and Board chair

Tacos prove to be a tasty fundraiser

They are called “walking tacos” by aficionados—and Bradford has plenty of people who just happen to enjoy the tacos. Our Club, thanks to Rhett and Kara Kennedy, masters of the Mexican taco cuisine, earned \$761 by Oct. 1 from sales at the Crook Farm Festival, Autumn Daze and Pitt Alumni Weekend. Other Rotarians were on hand each time to help dish out the tasty treat in a Doritos bag. All proceeds will be given to this year’s campaign to help the Tri-County Fire School meet its growing financial obligations and keep our firefighters prepared.

Helping out with food donations for the walking taco sales was our local Walmart with a generous gift card. Rotarian Sharon Yost is to be thanked for the card.

Three Board seats will be available

For anyone interested, three Board of Directors’ seats will be available with the election in December 2011 and seating July 1, 2012. The seats open are those currently held by Emmy Eddy, Mike Hale and Kimberly Young. They may wish to be re-elected, of course. Please notify President Susan if you are interested in serving on the Board. The Board meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Bradford Club. As of Oct. 5, Mike Hale wishes to continue his seat on the Board.

Rotarians take a break from cleaning Route 219

