



The Award-Winning
ENQUIRER

BALDERDASH, HYPERBOLE AND OBFUSCATION

From President Larry Mitberg

Gee! I have only three months left of my term as President of the Otter Risers Kiwanis Club. Looking back on the past nine months, I find it inspiring to consider how much this club has accomplished. Each of the ten standing committees has done more than its share to make this a strong and successful club.

Just this summer, the Club Meetings committee has arranged for not only meetings at the hospital but also for meetings at other places. Consider Chris Schuelke's tales about myths and legends of the Regional Treatment Center.

What would we do without the Community Services Community? In June alone, we have been involved in the Summerfest parade and we provided security at the Relay for Life. The Contributions Committee is always finding ways for us to contribute more money to our community. At the May board meeting, we gave \$100 to the "Stuff the Bus" campaign.

The Fertilizer Committee has wrapped up another successful fertilizer sale, giving us a lot more money

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RELAY FOR LIFE.... As President Mitberg says in this month's column, there's lots to be said for volunteering as a group. Here the Otter Risers help with the annual Relay for Life event. Lynn Wolters Photo.

Wednesday Morning Programs This Month (& Invocation Volunteer)

- July 7 - Mark Sievert, Community Ice Arena Project (VJ Block)
- July 14 - John Dinsmore, Human Services Update (Jerry Horgen)
- July 21 - Jeanne Jacobs, Someplace Safe (Jerry Horgen)
- July 28 - Barb Miller, Doctor Recruiting (Jerry Horgen)

Board of Directors Meeting

Otter Risers Kiwanis Club June 4, 2010

Attending: Rod Berg, Barb Gutzmer, Lyle Hauck, Mary Houg, Vern Johnson, Brian Malchert, Ken Salzsieder, Erin Smith, Bob Stout, Peggy Underwood, Lynn Wolters, Gerry Worner

Agenda: Barb Gutzmer brought the meeting to order, with agenda approved as provided.

Secretary's Minutes The minutes from the 5/7/2010 were approved, with addition of \$100 that needs to be added to show contribution to Stuff The Bus.

Treasurer's Report – Clint Halvorson data provided after the meeting

Administration Account	\$ 3,841.56
Service Account	\$11,877.71
Note service account will be reduced by sales tax of about \$1,700.	

Club Meetings – Mary Houg noted offsite meeting on June 23rd

Community Service – Tom Welle

Our help at the Thursday Concerts in the Park, is appreciated by the "A Center For the Arts", as noted by Julie Johnson in a letter to Tom Welle. Summer Fest parade June 12, Relay For Life June 25 and 26 Discussed helping with an Early Childhood initiative event – serving a meal — no action since this falls in the same week that Summer Fest and also have Relay for Life in June.

Contributions – Ken Salzsieder

Request from Center for the Arts – to support the Thursday concerts in the park. No contribution at this time, will put on the list of ideas for nomination by members for voting list. Lynn W - Noted request from Lakeland Hospice – since they already received money from this year's voting list, no action. Ice Arena – is also looking for pledges from service groups. It was recommended to be added to possible voting list.

Fertilizer – Barb Gutzmer

Still a few dollars to come in yet. Barb asked that Clint collect them since she will be on vacation for the majority of the summer. Noted about \$24,000 of sales and about \$14,000 in expenses. She appreciated that 46 of our 57 members participated or donated to the Fertilizer fundraiser. Also noted a couple new members that did an outstanding job selling product. Barb expects to ask for nominations in late July and then voting on the list in August or September.

Membership – Gerry Worner

Gerry discussed options for Vern Drechsel since he has some health concerns. Motion approved for Gerry to contact Vern and suggest either Senior Status or Honorary Status. Request by Erin Smith to continue on demit status until July 1 – was approved. Membership stands at 56

Programs – Lyle Hauck

Noted offsite at the Regional Treatment Center on June 23rd

Young Children Priority One – Erin Smith

Barb extended thanks to member that read or tutored at Adams school. She continues to hear words of appreciation from the second grade teachers at Adams.

Old Business / New Business

Barb noted that she will be on vacation seeing the world for the next two months. Her plans include visiting two Kiwanis clubs in Australia. Bob Stout – has set the Annual award banquet and induction of new officers — **Thursday, September 30th at Putters.** Nathan Johnson – has agreed to join the leadership team!!! Bob has one director named and looking for two more.

APPROVAL TO PAY THE FOLLOWING BILLS:

Administrative Account	
Lake Region Health Care	-
Bigwood Event Center - Pastor Breakfast	\$673.43
Mn DAK Kiwanis - Lyle Hauck CLE in Breckenridge	\$35.00
Service Account - none	

Bills approved as submitted and shown above.

Recorded by:
Brian Malchert



Talkin' It Up

Someplace Safe Delivery Volunteers

JULY 7 - Tom Welle	
JULY 14 - V J Block	
JULY 21 - Your Name Here	
JULY 28 - Dave McRoberts	

Larry's Lament

(From Cover)

to contribute. In addition to setting up invocations at our weekly meetings, Human and Spiritual Values made possible a very unique and interesting Pastor's Appreciation Breakfast. The Newsletter and Publicity Committee continues to produce an award winning newsletter each month. When I attend the 2010 District Convention in Fargo, I know I will hear people talk about the Enquirer.

Membership has not only brought in new members but has also conducted another very educational new member orientation session. What can anyone say about the Programs Committee except, "Where do they keep coming up with the programs that they do? Wow!" The Social Activities Committee is really some thing else. What other committee could have people show up for a cross country bike ride even after it's been called off?

Our club's main focus is on youth and the Youth Services Committee always has something to keep it busy with, whether it is reading to classes in the elementary schools or helping out youth at the public library.



So! What is my point with all this? The Kiwanis Club of Otter Risers is an active club. We do not just sit around drinking coffee and complaining about the state of the world. No! We go around drinking coffee and we do something about the state of the world!!

It is an honor for me to be the President of the Otter Risers. Larry Mitberg



Talkin' It Up 2

Like to Bike? Talk to Steve!

Otter-Riser Steve Rufer and spouse Sandy rode in the MS150 bike ride on June 12-13. The ride covers 150 miles over two days, from Duluth to White Bear Lake. There were 3,400 riders, and the event raises over \$2.5 million for the MS society. This was Steve's fifth ride at the event, and Sandy's third. If other Otter-Risers are interested in riding next year, contact Steve.

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Wednesday of each month.

The Otter Risers meet Wednesday mornings at 6:50 in the Lake Region Hospital basement conference room. Everyone welcome!

Larry Mitberg, *President*

Barb Gutzmer, *President-elect*

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Directors

Dave McRoberts Gerry Worner Vern Johnson

Peggy Underwood Erin Smith Tom Welle

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July Anniversaries



Erin Smith	7/6
Rob Bigwood	7/8
Paul Freeman	7/22
Brian Malchert	7/29
Dan Oehler	7/30

July Birthdays



Rick Drevlow	7/12
Charlie Lindstrom	7/22
Jeff Stanislawski	7/26
Karla Connelly	7/30

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

	Home	Work	
CLUB MEETINGS			
Gary Erickson	589-7450	589-7450	FEMA
Mary Houg ■	736-4918	739-9082	Houg Business Serv.
Waldemar Senyk	739-2750		District Judge
John Peterson		739-6795	FF Medical Group
Mike VanVoorhis	739-7642	739-8640	Otter Tail Power
CLUB REPRESENTATIVE			
Brian Malchert, Sec	736-7805	7398391	Otter Tail Power Co.
COMMUNITY SERVICE			
Vernon Drechsel	736-3338		Retired
Karla Connelly	739-9112	736-5681	M-R Sign Co.
Doug Koch	589-8460	739-3273	Lake Cntry Serv Coop
Paul Freeman	739-4882	320-766-4058	Self Employed
Dan Oehler	842-5345		Retired
Thomas Welle ■♦	736-6561	736-3228	FF Monument
Bob Worner	826-6998		Retired
CONTRIBUTIONS			
Lee Levenson ■	736-4975		Retired
Patrick Reinsour	736-3685	739-5545	Interstate Engineering
Les Nokes ■	731-4297		Retired
Lynn Wolters	736-2849	736-6987	Lakeland Mental Health
Charlie Lindstrom	739-9152		Retired
Ken Salzsieder	736-5936		Retired
FERTILIZER DRIVE			
Barb GutzmerPrElet ■	739-9462	998-0544	ISD #544
Jim Donahue	495-2718		Retired
Bob Gaabo			Retired
Nathan Johnson	998-0806	739-7702	Pioneer Community Admin
Neil Herman	736-6895		Retired
HUMAN AND SPIRITUAL VALUES			
Cris Kling	842-5579	739-8297	Otter Tail Power Co.
Rick Drevlow	736-2049	736-5641	Wells Fargo
Jerry Horgen ■	548-6161		Retired
NEWSLETTER / PUBLICITY			
Rod Berg ■	736-7073		Retired
Tom Rasmusson	739-9252	739-8283	Otter Tail Power Co.
Rick Schara	739-2832	739-7560	Minnesota DEED
PRESIDENT			
Bob Stout Pst Pres	736-2706	739-3545	Biffley's
Larry Mitberg Pres	739-9425		Retired

	Home	Work	
MEMBERSHIP GROWTH & EDUCATION			
Rob Bigwood	739-2079	736-5493	Pemberton Law Firm
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V. J. Block	739-3441	739-5411	Community Organizer
Gerry Worner ■♦	998-8866	739-2283	Nelson Auto Center
Leanne Meis	739-0881	736-7877	The Flower Shop
PROGRAMS			
Bob Block	739-3441	998-8060	Retired
Dave McRoberts ♦		736-6987	Lakeland Mental Health
Clint HalvorsonTres.	739-9611	739-1053	MN Dept of Public Safety
Vern Johnson ♦	736-3050	736-3997	Enstad Johnson Real Estat
Lyle Hauck VPres ■	998-3534	998-8878	Nelson Auto Center
Luke Draxton	205-0889	739-3377	American Federal
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES			
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Gail Childs ■	736-4991	736-6188	Edward Jones
Steve Rufer	736-6512	736-5493	Pemberton Law Firm
YOUNG CHILDREN: PRIORITY ONE			
Lowell Hoekstra	826-6704	736-8457	Lake Reg. Hospital
Jeff Stanislawski	736-6059		State Bank & Trust
Peg Kalar	739-3643	736-1500	M-State Fergus Falls
Ken Lundburg	998-3922		Retired
Brooke Barsness			Pioneer Home
Clair Prody	864-5375	736-6987	Lakeland Mental Health
Kitty Rund	998-2795	739-6075	State Bank & Trust
Erin Smith ■♦		739-9387	FF Public Library
Peggy Underwood ♦	739-4051	998-0544	FF School Dist
Tom Uvaas	739-5480	736-8450	Athletic Republic
HONORARY MEMBERS			
Gerald Gunderson, SS		495-3159	Retired
P. Wayne Pastir, SS		736-7285	Retired
KEY: ■ Committee Chair □ Assistant Committee Chair ♦ Director			
Please let us know about changes, additions, deletions and corrections... 'cause there ARE some!			

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