



# CROSSROADS

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News from Rotary International

## This Week

**P**resident Tim concludes his term as Club President. Jeff Bass, Assistant District Governor will perform the induction of the new officers and directors for the 2011-12 Rotary Year.

## Next Week

**J**ohn Sink will be Program Chair. The program information was not available at the time of printing.

## Last Week

**K**arl Seibel presided and provided the program. Theresa Byers was Bob Sabin's guest. Karl reminded the club about the Music on Main on June 23 with the band Rough Draft providing the music. Karl outlined some ideas from last week's board planning meeting for next year. Karl emphasized the values that RI President, Kalyan Banerjee has stated for Rotary, family, continuity and change. Family should be at the center of everything and community projects should emphasize those things that benefit families. We should keep the things that have worked for Rotary and we should be open to change that will benefit Rotary. Change should include being more inclusive in our membership, do what we can to attract younger members and utilize innovative ways to market Rotary to our communities. Karl would like our club to grow by 15 members and consider working with other civic clubs.



2011-2012 Rotary International Theme

## Joker 50/50 Jackpot



Current Total .....\$611  
Last Winner...Paul Weber  
Card Drawn... 6 of ♣  
Cards Remaining..... 32 plus the Joker



## Tim's Time: ...A Rotary Note by Tim Hamilton

Good Morning Rotarians,

As I hand off the torch to Karl this week I want to say thank you to the club for hanging in there with me this year. You have been active, and supportive, and hardworking. Although we didn't accomplish all of our goals, I hope you will consider this year as another successful year for The Monroe-Union Breakfast Rotary Club. For those of you who read consistently read my articles, I know you are true glens for punishment. I can only say that I am more excited about not having to write them anymore than you are for having to read them.

Karl takes the reins today and I hope you will give him the same support that you have given me. He has great plans for this year and I have every confidence that he will not only accomplish his goals, but exceed them. A blind person once asked St. Anthony "Can there was anything worse than losing your eyesight"? He replied, "Yes; losing your vision". As we usher in a new year, let's remained focused on our motto and keep our vision for a brighter tomorrow in focus.

Yours in Rotary,  
Tim

**"A person with a new idea is a crank until the idea succeeds."  
...Mark Twain**

RI President-elect Kalyan Banerjee asked Rotarians at the 2011 RI Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, on 25 May to go back to their communities and think of "new and different ways" to take on the challenges of today. "We are the doers of our communities, the leaders, the ones who are most involved, who see the problems and have the means to find the solutions," Banerjee said. "I am asking you to reach within and unleash your inner power and then use it to embrace everything and everyone around you." Banerjee, who will take office 1 July, said Rotarians should be guided by three emphases -- the family, continuity, and change -- as they work to support the [2011-12 RI theme, Reach Within to Embrace Humanity](#). Family is the first emphasis, he said, because the family is the starting point for everything Rotary is trying to accomplish. "The family is the building block of the community," Banerjee said. "If we wish to see a world that is more joyous, we first have to make sure that the families of the world are more joyous, that they have the things they need to be happy, to thrive, and move forward. So we have to look at housing, at clean water and sanitation, at health care, at all the issues affecting mothers and children." Continuity involves continuing and strengthening those things Rotarians do well, said Banerjee. "There are so many areas in which we have been successful -- working for clean, safe water; spreading literacy; working in so many ways with Generation Next, our youth. And of course, our greatest project, polio eradication," he said. "If we want to really achieve the impossible, we have to have not only persistence, but vision -- we have to be looking past what we are doing now, at what we can and should be doing in the days and years to come."

## Monroe-Union Breakfast Rotary Club

Club No. 6033 Chartered April 22, 1980  
President: Tim Hamilton Past President: Gary Bodford  
President Elect: Karl Seibel Secretary: Susan Rackcliff  
Treasurer: Bruce Leckey Sgt. at Arms: Mike Simons  
Directors: Caroline Twiggs, Nick Tarlton, Sean Greany,  
Kathie Easton, David Cunningham and Paul Weber

## Happy Birthday:

none

## Happy Anniversary:

none

## Programs

### June Fellowship Month

6/29 Installation of New Officers

### July

7/6 John Sink  
7/12 Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Golden Corral  
7/13 Candice Sturdivant  
7/20 Nick Tarlton  
7/27 Helen Thomas



## Did You Know?

- Jeans were named after Genoa, Italy, where the first denim cloth was made.
- The armhole in clothing is called an armsaye.
- Neckties were first worn in Croatia. That's why they were called cravats.
- Most people button their shirts upward.

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"In yet another political scandal, Freddie Mac has confessed to having an affair with Fannie Mae..."