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# Orrville Rotary

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## August 19, 2008

**Meeting located at  
Dunlap Community Hospital**

**Program today-** Becky Jewell presents Mayor Handwerk, who will be speaking about the state of the city of Orrville.

**Greeter-** Steve Flack

**Last Meeting:** Tony Rohrer presented Luke Reynolds, chief investigator for the Wayne county Coroner's Office. Officer Reynolds explained tht television programs like CSI are fascinating, however, TV doesn't quite reflect the reality of real life. One aspect that is very different than the seemingly endless spending habits of TV is the county's annual budget of \$33,400.00.

His office has three primary roles within the community: a duty to the deceased because they can not speak for themselves, a duty to the survivors in order to assist the understanding and acceptance of the situation, and a duty to the public to host speaking arrangements to high risk individuals and service groups.

	2006	2007	2008
Cases	76	68	43
Autopsies	25	14	12
Referrals	42	39	31

### Friendship Meals

We need more volunteers!



**August 28, 2008:**  
Vicki and Don Drehrer  
Stacey Underwood

### August Birthdays



Mark Auble	08-01
Lynn Horner	08-03
Scott Imhoff	08-05
Amberly Wolf	08-05

### Upcoming Meetings

- August 26: Steve Flack presents  
Greeter- Lynn Horner
- September 2: Club Assembly  
Greeter: Amberly Wolf
- September 9: Amberly Wolf presents a program concerning the United Way Legacy Fund.  
Greeter: Steve Knox
- September 16: Steve Knox presents  
Greeter: John Chiofalo
- September 23: John Chiofalo presents Penny Osborne of Wooster Interfaith Housing  
Greeter Justin Haislip
- September 30: Justin Haislip presents  
Greeter: Ken VanSickle



It's official! Please take some time today to introduce yourself to our exchange student Martin Michal. Martin comes to us from the Republic of Slovakia. He will be staying with the Wasniewski family.

### News from the Rotary website

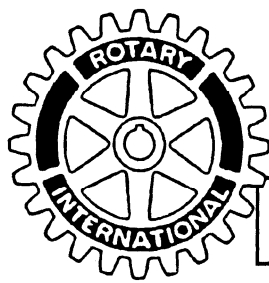
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### **Rotary and Easter Seals renew connections**

By Brad Weber  
Rotary International News  
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F. Timothy Muri, president and CEO of Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago, and District Governor Michael Slevnik, at the



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Therapeutic School and Center for Autism Research. *Photo courtesy Rotary District 6450.*

Easter Seals and Rotary share more than a devotion to improving the lives of the disabled and disadvantaged.

The heritages of the two organizations are intertwined: Easter Seals' founder, Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen, was a Rotarian. Rotary founder Paul P. Harris was the charity's first chairman, and one of The Rotary Foundation's first grants, in 1930, went to the International Society for Crippled Children, Easter Seals' precursor.

Now, District 6450 (Illinois, USA), which covers part of the Chicago area, is reuniting with an old friend by pledging US\$2.5 million over three to five years toward programs and materials for Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago's [Therapeutic School and Center for Autism Research](#).

Part of the center's first phase, a research wing scheduled to be completed later this year, will be named in Rotary's honor. The \$32-million facility will be built in four phases over the next four to six years.

"I approached Rotary because we had lost connection," says F. Timothy Muri, president and CEO of Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago. "I said, 'Rotary's into big things. You are trying to eradicate polio, and we are trying to eradicate autism. Why don't we unite again to change the world?'"

#### White Sox night

On 7 August, the district sponsored a night at U.S. Cellular Field, home of the Chicago White Sox, where a portion of tickets bought by Rotarians went to Easter Seals. Irv Kaplan, past district governor, said 836 tickets were sold, netting \$10,000 for Easter Seals. Rotarians and their guests were paraded around the warning track prior to the game, and a Rotary public service announcement appeared on the big screen.

Rotary's ongoing support for Easter Seals has often come from individual clubs, but with the growing number of reported cases of autism-spectrum disorder – 1 in 150 eight-year-olds has it, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – the need for care is greater than ever.

"It just came to me that we could do something with this," says Past District Governor Art Davis. "With the history Rotary has, it would be fabulous to have a Rotary wheel on the wing of a hospital."

The center, which will tap expertise from the nearby [University of Illinois at Chicago Medical Center](#) and [Rush University Medical Center](#), will offer a research facility, classrooms, gymnasium, swimming pool, and independent living space for 30 people, with room to grow.

"For the first time, we will have the facility where we'll be able to observe patients yearround," says Muri. "There's none other like it in the country."

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