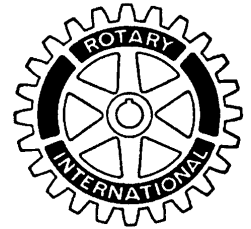


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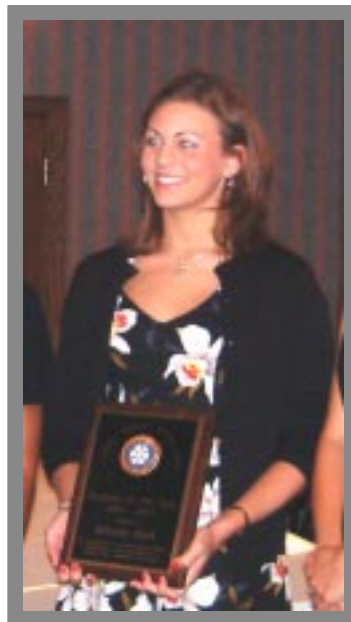
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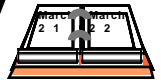
Allison York is Rotary Student of the Year

ALLISON YORK, daughter of Charles and Gayle York of Godfrey and a graduating senior at Alton High School was selected as **STUDENT OF THE YEAR** for the 2002-2003 school year by the Alton Godfrey Rotary Club. She was selected from among 18 Students of the Month from Alton, Marquette Catholic, and Mississippi Valley Christian high schools. With her selection comes a \$2,500 scholarship applicable to tuition and fees at the college of her choice. She was honored at the June 9, 2003 meeting of the Alton-Godfrey Rotary Club at the Moonlight Restaurant. York was presented the Award by Ed Morrissey, President of the Rotary Club .



Allison York was honored as Alton High School's Student of the Month for September. She has a distinguished academic record at Alton High ranking at the top of her class of 449 students and graduating as class valedictorian. She has received numerous honors and awards among which include being selected as a Super Teen by *The Next Step Magazine*. As an award recipient, York was one of thirty one students chosen from among 400 students from Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Students selected were chosen on the basis of excellence in community service, extracurricular activities, athletics and grades. An Illinois State Scholar, Allison was a Silver Medallion recipient and the recipient of the Alton Administrator's Excellence in Education Award which goes to a senior student selected by the faculty for outstanding academic achievement, citizenship, and leadership.

Our Rotary Calendar



June 23 **Principia College**
Induction of New Officers. Ed Morrissey will be passing the gavel to new president Mike McCormick.

June 30 **Anastasia**
Anastasia Sunset River Cruise Spouses Night catered by Copley's West 9th. 6:00 p.m.

July 7 **Hopkins Field**
AGR members and guests will gather at 6:00 p.m. for Barbecue and trimmings before the Bomber's game at 7:00 p.m.

July 14 **Moonlight Restaurant**
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

July 21 **Rolling Hills**
Steak Fry at the Rolling Hills Golf Course Club House 6:00 p.m. Golf outing to precede. Contact Mike McCormick for details.

July 28 **Moonlight Restaurant**
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

Board Minutes for May

The May 12, 2003 meeting of directors of the Alton-Godfrey Rotary Club was called to order at 5:00 p.m., by President Ed Morrissey. Others in attendance were Mike Seymour, Tom Juravich, Terry Woelfel, Dave Walker, Sharon Johnson, Bill Moyer, Larry Hauck, Ron Mayhew, Larry Thompson, Ford Phillips and the Executive Secretary Melissa Seymour.

On a motion by Thompson, seconded by Johnson the minutes were approved. There was no treasurer's report.

In Community Service, the Bucket Brigade is scheduled for May 17. The Installation Banquet is scheduled for June 23 at Principia.

In Vocational Service, Tom Juravich reported tonight we are recognizing the 107th and 108th Students of the Month. Student of the year will be selected on May 23.

In Club Service, Mike McCormick would like to have the June 30 meeting aboard the Anastasia. The cost is \$35.00 per person and includes the cruise, entertainment, and the meal. This is going to be a little money maker for the Club. We would receive \$10.00 for each ticket sold. This is a spouses night and there is room for 84 people aboard the Anastasia.

The Foundation Chair, Bill Moyer, reported that Alton-Godfrey Rotary donated \$17,178.85 towards Polio Eradication.

In new business, Josh Farley is taking over the member program. He will contact new members and ask them to bring a program or talk about themselves on the night inducted. The member night will still be held in conjunction with Student of the Month. Bill Moyer suggested that we need Board members to talk with proposed members. Larry Thompson said the membership chair should give an information packet to the proposed member. East End Business Association presented Rotary with a \$2,000 from Festival of Lights. The use of these funds has yet to be determined.

An attendance report was presented to the Board showing that there are quite a few members with attendance below 50%. Mike McCormick suggested that we send a letter with the dues requiring 60% attendance. This was tabled and will be discussed at a special Board meeting June 2.

On a motion by Bill Moyer, Frank Vonnahmen was approved for membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Seymour
Executive Secretary



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Allison York - Student of the Year...cont.

Her honors also included selection for the KMOX Student of Achievement and Gateway Young Achievers awards. She is a member of the National Honor Society, has been selected as a Scholar Athlete for cheerleading and swimming and has been selected twice to Who's Who Among American High School Students. She also received National Achievement Awards in Mathematics, Foreign Language, and Cheerleading. York was also nominated for the Junior Statesmen of America Award as well as a nominee for the Eisenhower Scholarship Program and the National Student Leadership Conference. She was a state finalist in the Miss Cheerleader of America competition and for the 2002 Miss Teen of Illinois contest.

Allison has been very active in school activities participating on the soccer, swimming, and cheerleading teams. As a cheerleader, she was on the all-star team that participated in the annual London New Year's Parade. She was a member of the concert choir, the Tattler staff, the Biology and Social Studies Clubs, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Quill and Scroll Society, and participated in school musicals on a regular basis.

Her community service work includes serving as a youth role model within the DARE program, serving as a volunteer at the Boys and girls Club where she helped students improve their academic skills, and working with the Moose Youth Awareness program teaching young children about the dangers of drugs. She is active in her church, the Evangelical United Church of Christ, and has worked with Alton Main Street programs and activities.

York has studied dance for over fourteen years and has received forty first place awards in regional and national competition. She has been accepted as a student at the University of Kansas where she plans to major in Biological Sciences/ Pre Medicine.

The Student of the Month program was initiated by the Alton/Godfrey Rotary Club six years ago. One hundred eight students have been recognized for their outstanding scholarship, participation in school activities, and community service work.

York becomes the sixth student to be selected as Student of the Year by the Rotary Club. The others included Ebony Huddleston who graduated from Xavier University in New Orleans and is presently enrolled in law school, Kathrine Dixon, a recent graduate of the University of Richmond, Te Tee Hong, a senior at the University of Illinois, Luke Slaughter, a junior at the

The Rotary Program...continued

August 4 Moonlight Restaurant
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

Aug 11 Moonlight Restaurant
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

August 18 Rolling Hills
Steak Fry at the Rolling Hills Golf Course Club House 6:00 p.m. Golf outing to precede. Contact Mike McCormick for details.

Aug 25 Moonlight Restaurant
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

September 1 No Meeting
Labor Day

Sept 8 Moonlight Restaurant
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Students of the Month - Spouses Night.

Sept 15 Busch Stadium
Club will gather in Power Alley. Game Time 7:10 between the Cardinals and Brewers.

Sept 22 Rolling Hills
Steak Fry at the Rolling Hills Golf Course Club House 6:00 p.m. Golf outing to precede. Contact Mike McCormick for details.

Sept 29 Moonlight Restaurant
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Club Assembly

—Dorothy Hutchinson-Gross

June Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance	\$9,532.38
cleared payments	-\$8,317.75
cleared deposits	\$1,946.79
Cleared Balance	\$3,161.42
uncleared payments	-\$1,274.63
uncleared deposits	\$457.00
Account Balance	\$2,343.79

Allison York is Rotary Student of the Year...cont.

University of Missouri and last year's recipient, Ed McPike who will be a sophomore at Northwestern University

Phil Trapani, principal at Alton High School, John Rogers, retiring principal at Marquette Catholic, and Elwood Heisey, principal at Mississippi Valley Christian were presented with plaques listing the names of the students who were honored from their schools during the 2002-2003 school year.

In addition to York other Alton High students recognized during the past year included Christopher Lauschke, Carl McMullen, Joanna Bratton, Jessica Crivello, Michael Baxter, Vincent Piazza, Erika Harris, and Jamie Heusinkveld

Marquette Catholic students honored were Nick Bristow, Emily Gilbreth, James Slaughter, Andrew McGarahan, Sara Morrill, Laurie Henderson, Jacob Kuhnline and Steven Blair.

Jonathen Conrad was honored from Mississippi Valley Christian School.

Rotary President Ed Morrissey praised the students who were recognized during the year noting that "They represent our best hope for the future. We are proud of the work of our local schools in educating our youth and we hope to continue and increase our participation in working with the schools to recognize the accomplishments of the students."

—Tom Juravich



Jerry Thomas is reading the Paul Harris Award to Mike McCormick at the June 23rd annual meeting. Rod Elias, Sharon Johnson, Richard Johnson, Melissa Seymour, and Mike Fitzgerald were the other recipients of the Paul Harris Award. Also at the meeting, Ed Morrissey passed the gavel to Mike McCormick, President 2002-2004. Other officers are Larry Thompson, Vice-President, Sharon Johnson, Secretary, and Jeanine Kelly, Treasurer.