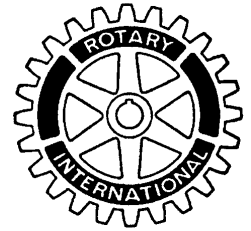


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JOSEPH HOLLERAN STUDENT OF THE YEAR FOR 2003-2004

Joseph Holleran, son of Dennis and Sally Holleran of Godfrey and a graduating senior at Alton High School was selected as "STUDENT OF THE YEAR" for the 2003-2004 school year by the Alton Godfrey Rotary Club. He was selected from among 18 "Students of the Month" from Alton, Marquette Catholic, and Mississippi Valley Christian high schools. With his selection comes a \$2,500 scholarship applicable to tuition and fees at the college of his choice. He was honored at the June 14th meeting of the Alton/Godfrey Rotary Club at the Moonlight Restaurant. Holleran was presented the award by Mike McCormick, President of the Alton/Godfrey Rotary Club.



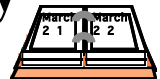
Joe Holleran receiving Student of the Year award from Ed McPike and President Mike McCormick

Joseph Holleran was honored as Alton High School's "Student of the Month" for October. He had a distinguished academic record at Alton High ranking among the top of students of his class of 489 students. He received numerous academic awards including membership in the school's National Honor Society of which he served as Treasurer during his Junior year. He was named to the National Achievement Academy for two years, the National Society of High School Scholars and was selected for the 2003 St. Louis Gateway Leadership Network Young Achiever Award.

Holleran participated in a variety of academic competitions including the Scholar Bowl, the WYSE Academic Challenge Team, and a number of mathematics contests. His academic accomplishments earned him the designation as Scholar Athlete for the Redbird tennis team his junior year and for the golf team his senior year. He was an active member of the Spanish and Social Studies Clubs and was a participant in the Saturday Scholars Program at AHS. He was also voted the most likely to become president by members of his class.

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Our Rotary Calendar



July 5 **No Meeting**
4th of July Holiday

July 12 **Moonlight Restaurant**
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Jim Shrader, Publisher of *The Telegraph*, will speak on topics relating to the area.

July 19 **Rolling Hills**
Steak Fry at the Rolling Hills Golf Course Club House 6:00 p.m. Golf outing to precede. Contact Richard Johnson for details.

July 26 **Moonlight Restaurant**
Lloyd Hopkins Field
Spouses Night. Special Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Eric Dolbeare, 2004-2005 District 6460 President will be introduced and will speak to the club on plans for the centennial year. Immediately following Eric's address, the club will reconvene at Lloyd Hopkins Field for Rotary Night at the Bomber's game.

Aug 2 **Moonlight Restaurant**
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Madi-

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Student of the year...continued

Holleran was a member of the Redbird tennis team serving as team captain his junior and senior years. As a junior he was named to the All-Area tennis team, selected to the all conference tennis squad,, and made it to the round of 32 at the IHSA state tennis finals. He was also selected to Who's Who Among American High School Student for the past two Years. Holleran was also named to the IHSA All-State Academic Team for 2004.

In his spare time, Holleran has participated in a number of community service activities working on Student Pride projects, the Bucket Brigade, and church related programs. He served as a student tutor to student athletes who were having academic difficulties and was always available to help on projects or to help others. He was selected as Youth Awareness Representative to the Loyal Order of the Moose and made special presentations to community children's groups.

As a result of his academic achievement he has been awarded a number of scholarships from a variety of organizations and agencies. He was selected to receive a Lovejoy Memorial Scholarship and has been granted a merit award from the Engineering Department at the University of Illinois. He plans to major in engineering at the University in the fall.

Holleran was described as "the definition of a true leader and a model citizen" by a faculty member at Alton High.

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

Holleran becomes the seventh 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, who is presently enrolled in law school at Harvard University, Te Tee Hong, a graduate of the University of Illinois; Luke Slaughter, a senior at the University of Missouri, Ed McPike a junior at Northwestern University and last years Student of the Year, Allison York, who will be a sophomore at the University of Kansas.

Phil Trapani, principal at Alton High School, Vincent dePaul Schmidt, 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 2003-2004 school year.

In addition to Holleran other Alton High students recognized during the past year included Carl Allendorph, Juretha Mays, Claire Yanta, Steven Lawrence, John Perry, Jr., Sasha Garney, Grey Jackson, and Lauren Black.

Marquette Catholic students honored were Catlyn Carrow, Laura Ammann, Emily Huebner, Matt Wilton, John C. Wuellner, Kelly Beiermann, Reesa Mercado, and Thomas Haine.

Rebecca Lloyd was honored from Mississippi Valley Christian School.

Rotary President, Mike McCormick praised the students 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 our students."

—Tom Juravich

Minutes-May Board Meeting

The May 10, 2004 meeting of directors of the Alton-Godfrey Rotary Club was called to order at 5:00 p.m., by President Mike McCormick. Others in attendance were Mike Seymour, Tom Juravich, Sharon Johnson, John Rain, Sam Stemm, John Keller, Ron Mayhew, Scott Neudecker, Bill Moyer, Larry Thompson, Josh Farley, Dan Saeger, Larry Hauck, Terry Woelfel, Jeanine Kelly and the Executive Secretary Melissa Seymour.

On a motion by Tom Juravich, seconded by Larry Thompson the minutes were approved. On a motion by Bill Moyer, seconded by Sharon Johnson the treasurer's report was also approved.

Minutes-May Board Meeting...cont.

On a motion by Bill Moyer, seconded by Tom Juravich the membership of Mark Humphrey was approved.

In Community Service, Mike McCormick said he received a local quote of \$6,000 for each plaque at Lincoln Douglas Square. He would like one plaque to have the Ratchet symbol and the other the 4-Way Test. He is going to pursue other quotes.

In International Service, only 1 student, from Alton High School, will be attending the World Affairs Seminar June 13 - 18 in Whitewater, WI.

In Vocational Service, Tom Juravich said that tonight is the last Student of the Month. For the Student of the Year he urged a good turnout. He also asked the Board to consider have the Student of the Year presentation at the installation dinner.

In correspondence, a request for \$1,000 from the Alton Symphony to help pay for bus-ing to the children's holiday concert was referred to Community Service.

In Club Service, concerning the Booth House Larry Thompson met with Ray Botterbush last week and also met with Sheriff Hertz, and Chief Sullivan. He is going to put together a meeting with Lana, director of the Booth House and Chief Sullivan. Chief Sullivan said he would like to know when parolees come in. this can be done by using his private fax number. He was concerned that there was no line of communication. The police department is not aware of there being any problems with the parolees. Larry corrected what Linda Vandiver told the club about the number of parolees in 2003. There were 416 clients with 26 (6%) being parolees.

Mike McCormick stated that no parolee is released to Booth House until they go through the prison ministry and have to approved. No on with a record of a violent crime or sexual crime can be admitted. Larry stated that both Hertz and Sullivan felt this is a good project.

A motion was made by Sam Stemm, seconded by Bill Moyer to approve the Booth House as the club Centennial Project. Mike McCormick wants to put off the decision until the Club Assembly. Sam Stemm said we have to make this decision on behalf of the club. No one is going to change their mind. Mike and Larry have done the work and presented it to the Board. The Board ultimately has to make a decision.

Larry Thompson said the application was submitted last June and he will continue to address the issues. Terry Woelfel said he was told this is a done deal. Larry Hauck stated that for us to do this everything must fall in place, grants, tax credits, etc.

Larry Thompson is fairly certain we will get the grants. There will be no groundbreaking until the grants are approved. There is no deadline for completion of the Booth House.

Mike Seymour feels the project will go no matter what happens. He said the club is totally divided about this and other matters in the last 4-5 years. The membership is asking the Board to listen to them.

A vote was taken on the motion to approve this as the Centennial Project. The motion passed with Jeanine Kelly and John Keller abstaining and 2 nay votes by Mike Seymour & Terry Woelfel.

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

Respectfully submitted, Melissa Seymour, Executive Secretary

The Rotary Program...continued

son County Sheriff Robert Hertz will speak to the club regarding current and future law enforcement issues.

Aug 9 Moonlight Restaurant
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

August 16 Rolling Hills
Steak Fry at the Rolling Hills Golf Course Club House 6:00 p.m. Golf outing to precede. Contact Richard Johnson for details.

Aug 23 Moonlight Restaurant
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

Aug 30 Moonlight Restaurant
Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Details to be announced.

Sept 6 No Meeting
Labor Day

Sept 13 Moonlight Restaurant
Board of Directors Meeting 5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m. Students of the Month for September will be introduced.

Sept 17 Rolling Hills
Alton-Godfrey Rotary 2nd Annual Golf Tournament at Rolling Hills. Shotgun start at 12 noon. Call Gail Weinrich, 618-466-4966 for details.

—Joel Copley/Bill Hoagland

June Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance	\$8,423.81
cleared payments	-\$2,495.08
cleared deposits	\$2,177.94
Cleared Balance	\$8,106.67
uncleared payments	-\$2,466.38
uncleared deposits	\$787.63
Account Balance	\$6,427.92
New Deposits	\$0.00
Ending Balance	\$6,427.92