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The Union League Club of Chicago



ROTARY: A BRIEF HISTORY

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The Rotary Club of Chicago is the founding Club of the world's premier international business and service organization.

Rotary members are business and professional leaders who volunteer their expertise, compassion and power to improve communities at home in Chicago as well as in communities around the world.

The Rotary Club of Chicago, known as ROTARY/One, was founded in 1905 in Chicago by four businessmen for professional synergy and friendship. They soon began to pull their collective talents together and started solving local community problems. Within 10 years, Rotary was on the east and west coasts and in Canada. Today there are over 33,000 clubs and 1.3 million members around the world.

Rotary impacts the Chicago Community and beyond!

Though the club participates in many service projects locally and abroad, ROTARY/One's signature project, JOB1, provides job skills training and paid summer internships to qualified Chicago Public High School students, giving them valuable work experience and contacts that can positively impact their future. JOB1 has provided over 400 students with a summer internship since its inception in 2003.

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CHICAGO WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Program

- 11:30 Registration and Reception
- Noon Welcome – Cheryl McIntyre
Pledge of Allegiance - Paul McConville
Chicago Woman History- Lisa Russ
Invocation – Aleta Williams
- Lunch
- 12:40 Keynote - Marga Hewko introduces Jennifer Jones
Thank you - Robert Knuepfer
- 1:00 Chicago Woman of the Year Presentation
- ◆ Terry Leja presents Paula Fasseas
 - ◆ Kate Koziol presents Evelyn Jones
 - ◆ Jody Stawicki presents Maria Paz Salas
- 1:20 Closing - Cheryl McIntyre
- 1:30 Meeting adjourned

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PAULA FASSEAS

Founder of PAWS Chicago

Paula Fasseas has been a lightning rod of change in the world of animal welfare in the Chicago metropolitan area. Officially founding PAWS Chicago in 1997, Paula turned Chicago's entrenched animal adoption process on its head. Instead of waiting for people to come to the shelters, she took the dogs and cats out to where people were - downtown Bloomingdale's, Old Orchard Center, or Petco stores. Paula began her work by researching what leading edge animal shelters were doing in other parts of the country. On her own dime, she investigated and sought help in initiating change in Chicago and ultimately the Midwest animal shelter practices.



Prior to her arrival on the scene, animal shelters focused on the problem and not on the solution: decreasing the numbers of strays and surrenders. She was the first in Chicago to ramp up the number of free/low cost spay or neuter services, and encouraged other rescue groups to participate in PAWS adoption events.

Today, PAWS Chicago is an award winning charity, with an excellent Charity Navigator rating. PAWS Chicago was named the best charity for five years in a row by the Chicago Reader, and recently selected as a "Shelter of Excellence" by Animal Planet. PAWS Chicago is an organization she has built to last until, as she says, "there are no more unwanted pets that need help". Paula is a "Gift" to the Chicago community, exemplifying the Rotary way of life and giving of herself to be of service to the broader world.



EVELYN JONES

Vice President, Nursing Services St. Bernard Hospital

Evelyn Jones started her career at St. Bernard's as an entry-level registered nurse and worked her way up through the organization, continuing her education while working full time, to now lead all nursing services.

Among many other important initiatives, Jones was instrumental in launching St. Bernard Hospital's Women's Wellness Clinic, which cares for women of childbearing age, regardless of their ability to pay. She also started the Baby Immunization Tracking System to educate new mothers about the importance of immunizations and to provide follow ups to ensure babies are immunized. Evelyn has

made a point to personally mentor dozens of nursing aides, who over the years have been able to improve their lives and their families' lives because of her eagerness to help and her deep concern for their future. She has worked with the entire administration to live the St. Bernard "Great Care" motto that has dramatically improved staff morale, team comradery and patient care. In her free time Evelyn chairs St. Bernard's Community Relations committee and, now in its 10th year, started a team for "Walk for a Cure" breast cancer walks.

Evelyn Jones is a "Gift to Chicago" because she has dedicated the last 35 years of her life to helping her Englewood community. She dug in and made her corner of the world brighter and better because she invested the time and her own personal resources to create a better outcome for her patients, for her co-workers, and for the city that we all know that Chicago could be.



MARIA PAZ SALES

Outreach and Community Service Coordinator
Sacred Heart Schools Chicago

For the past eighteen years, Maria Paz Sales has involved thousands of students in grades K-8 in community service in the city of Chicago. Through her outstanding work at Sacred Heart, she has implemented weekly ongoing student and adult volunteers working with Sacred Heart Service Partners: Misericordia, Care for Real, Family Matters, Howard Community Center, Howard Area Heart Start, Ignatius Services and Food Pantry, Uptown Head Start, Inspiration Cafe, and Ten Thousand Villages - Evanston.



Throughout the school year, Paz, as she is known to the Sacred Heart Community, spearheads food drives for Chicago area food pantries, winter clothing collections for Chicago children and adults and many other community service activities.

Maria, a graduate of the University of Michigan, is a native Spanish speaker whose family is from Chile. She has coordinated tutoring and volunteer services at Centro Romero which serves the Spanish-speaking population in Rogers Park. Including some international focus in her outreach, in partnership with The Rotary Club of Chicago she facilitated a student fundraiser for the Shelter Box Project to aid Haiti, and has formed a service partnership with the students of Chicago and the students in St. Bernadette Primary School in Uganda.

Maria Paz Salas truly exemplifies Rotary's "Service Above Self" through her chosen career in the field of human service and education. On a daily basis she works with Chicago students and adults to foster and actively implement continuous community service. Maria Paz Salas is indeed a "Gift" to the Chicago community.



JENNIFER JONES

Keynote

Jennifer is the President and CEO of Media Street Productions Inc., an award winning television production company in Windsor, ON. She is proud member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland and is a Past District Governor of District 6400.



In Rotary, she has served as the Chair of the Strengthening Rotary's Advisory Group, Moderator of the 2013 RC/RPIC Institute, Vice Chair of the RI Communication Committee, North American RPIC Coordinator, the Advisory Board for Rotary Canada and the RI Promotions Committee's for Lisbon and New Orleans. She served three terms as Seminar Leader at the International Assembly and has been a featured speaker at this event on four occasions.

One of Rotary International's most recognized communicators, Jennifer has presented keynote addresses and training workshops at more than 100 conferences across North America and most recently in St Petersburg - Russia, Panama City, Bangkok, Lisbon, Finland, India, Sri Lanka, New Zealand, Australia and Germany.

Jennifer also contributes much of her energy to local organizations. She is the immediate past Chair of the Board of Governors at the University of Windsor and the past Chair of the Board of Directors at the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce.

She has been recognized with many awards and recognitions including Rotary's Service above Self Award and the Citation for Meritorious Service, the YMCA Peace Medallion, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal and Wayne State University's Peacemaker of the Year Award – a first for a Canadian.

Jennifer is happily married to Nick Krayacich a local family physician. They share a love for many things including travel, cycling, golf and relaxing at their family cottage. They share a thirst for adventure and reached the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, Africa in January 2009.



JOB1

The JOB1 Summer Internship Program was created 13 years ago. JOB1 started as JobStart, a part of the City of Chicago's KidStart Corporate Initiative. Rotary has remained a collaborative partner with the city and Chicago Public Schools.

JOB1 prepares Chicago high school students for the workplace by providing job readiness training as well as substantive paid summer internship opportunities with local business' and not for profits.

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CHERYL MCINTYRE

President, Rotary Club of Chicago

Cheryl McIntyre is co-founder of Ascend Consulting Group, a small Michigan consulting firm. In addition to serving as Marketing Director, Cheryl works directly with clients to understand their business needs, strategizing, and developing a custom approach for each firm.

After re-locating to Chicago in 2009, Cheryl joined GRFI, Ltd as Executive Director of the Municipality and Business Development Division, developing new, innovative business channels and initiatives that were designed to stimulate economies of local and regional communities in building strong systems for growth and revenue paths.

Cheryl was an active community organizer and volunteer in her home town of Monroe, Michigan, serving in leadership roles for many local fund raising organizations. She joined the Rotary Club of Monroe in 1995, and served as the Club's first female President in 1999.

Cheryl believes there is great power in giving back to the Community of the gifts each person has been given. This year RI President Ravi Ravindran has urged Rotary members to give the gifts of time, talent, and knowledge to improve lives in our community as well as communities across the globe.

"Through Rotary, we can take these gifts and make a genuine difference in the lives of others and in our world."



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CHICAGO WOMAN OF THE YEAR

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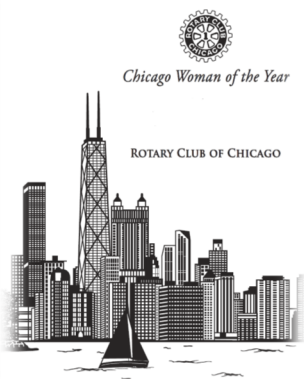
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CHICAGO WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Honoring Service

The Rotary movement got its start right here in Chicago in 1905 - just a few blocks away from where we are all gathered in this beautiful room – with the founding of the Rotary Club of Chicago. If you walk north from here to the corner of Dearborn and Randolph, you will see a plaque set in the sidewalk in front of Block 37 that marks a former office building where four businessmen met for the first time and started something that resonated with people: business synergy along with serving the Chicago community.

111 years later, Rotary is an international organization of men and women: 1.3 million members in 33,000 clubs in nearly every country in the world.

Regardless of the make-up of our members, the common thread from 1905 to 2016 has been "Service Above Self". This year's Rotary theme has been focused on being a "Gift" to people in our own and in world communities. A Gift is something that is offered from our imagination, our hearts, our abilities and our passion. We give because that is how we express who we are to the communities we live in. Everyone can be a Gift in the lives of others, whether you are inspiring a school to notice the community around it and make it better; by working to make health care more accessible in a struggling neighborhood; or by revolutionizing the way animals are treated and creating a way to steer the lost and stray to caring homes - and bringing joy to everyone involved in the process. Today we honor women who exemplify the principle of service on which Rotary was founded. Each of them are an irreplaceable gift to the lives they impact.

Thank you for being with us on this special day, made even more so by your presence.

Yours,

Cheryl McIntyre, President, Rotary Club of Chicago, 2015-2016
Lisa Russ, Chair, Chicago Woman of the Year, 2016



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