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Rotary Club *of* Chicago

Making Business Leaders Community Leaders Since 1905

July 13—John McCord, Executive Director of Alliance Francaise

Jack McCord has been the Executive Director of the Alliance Française de Chicago since 2003. The Alliance is part of a worldwide network of some 1,100 institutions, with over 100 chapters in the US. The Chicago organization is the second largest in the country and the second oldest, dating from 1898. Prior to joining the Alliance he was a Director of the Master of Business Program at the University of Illinois at Chicago, after a 15-year career in retail and advertising.

He holds a bachelor's degree from Indiana University-Bloomington and graduate business degrees from the University of Illinois and the Ecole de Management de Normandie, France.

Mr. McCord is active in Fourth Presbyterian Church, the Chicago-Paris Sister Cities Committee, the Federation of Alliances Francaises USA and as an Indiana University alumni recruiter. He was named a Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite by the President of France in 2007.

Upcoming Luncheon Programs

July 20 - Lynn Osmond, Hon. AIA, President/CEO, Chicago Architecture Foundation
July 27 - Father Michael Pfleger
August 3 - Ed Burke, Chicago Alderman and Member of Rotary/One
August 10 - Congressman Mark Kirk, Republican Candidate for US Senate and Job1 Recognition Program
August 17—TBA
August 24 - William Foley, CEO, Cook County Health & Hospital System
August 31— Professor Tony Jones, School of the Art Institute Chicago
September 7 - NBC 5, Carol Marin and Mary Ann Ahern
September 21 - Richard Rodriguez, CEO, Chicago Transit Authority
September 28 - Toni Preckwinkle, Democratic candidate for Cook County President
October 5 - Roger Keats, Republican candidate for Cook County President
October 12 - Rotary Global History Fellowship - Anniversary Celebration
October 19 - Chris Kennedy

Gus Noble, Programming Director

If you have suggestions for programs please call Gus.

July 6—Passing of the Gavel from Angelo Loumbas to David Durham More pictures online.

Expectations of Club Members

The Rotary Club of Chicago – the founding club in the worldwide Rotary movement – is a group of professional men and women committed to local and international service, each other's personal and professional success and setting the standard for ethical leadership.

As such, we expect the following from each other…

Financial Obligations. Prompt payment of dues to support the Club's operations. Currently, dues are $83 per month or 260 each quarter or $1000 annually. Weekly lunches are currently an additional $27 for members and $32 for members' guests. Members are permitted to charge weekly luncheons and other Club-related expenses to their member accounts. Members are invoiced monthly and are expected to make prompt payment.

Support of the Rotary/One Foundation, which underwrites the service efforts of the Club. We expect that every member of the Club will a) make contributions to the Rotary/One Foundation commensurate with his or her ability; and b) make the Rotary/One Foundation a top priority for his or her personal philanthropy. Our hope is that each member of the Club each year becomes a Ches Perry Fellow, a designation currently awarded to any person who makes a $1,000 contribution to the Rotary/One Foundation.

Support of the Rotary Foundation, which underwrites international service efforts coordinated by Rotary International. Again, we expect that every member of the Club will make contributions to the Rotary Foundation commensurate with his or her ability, but of at least $100 annually. Our hope is that each member of the Club becomes a Paul Harris Fellow, a designation currently awarded to any person who makes a $1,000 contribution to the Rotary Foundation.

Participation in Club activities. We expect each member to attend at least 50% of the Club's weekly luncheon meetings in a six-month period. But in recognition of the other, pressing obligations of the men and women elected to membership in the Club, participation in other activities are considered in lieu of attendance at the weekly luncheons, including attendance at other Rotary club meetings, participation in the Club service activities, attendance at Club committee meetings and participation in Rotary District and Rotary International activities.

Participation in Club service projects. As the world's first service club, we expect that each member of the Club not only support the Club's service projects financially through the Rotary/One Foundation, but actively plan and participate in the execution of those service projects. Each member of the Club chooses or is assigned to at least one committee or project task force, which is charged with the planning and coordination of those activities.

Commitment to each other's success. As a club originally founded to facilitate business networking, we encourage members to support each other professionally. Through our weekly luncheon meetings, fellowship activities and service projects, we expect that members will develop relationships that will encourage and enable them to advance in their careers.

Facilitation of Club meetings. We expect that each member of the Club will facilitate at least one luncheon meeting annually by serving as a greeter of members and guests, invocator or similar role.

Ethical Behavior. Ethical behavior in our personal and professional lives. We expect each member to strive to set the standard for ethical behavior in his or her vocation and community.