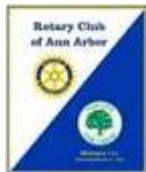


Harpoon for the Meeting of July 29, 2009 (in the ballroom)

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July Begins the New Rotary Year on the Rotary Calendar

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Program for July 29, 2009

Speaker: Rich Rodriguez, U-M Football Coach

Topic: Improving Michigan's Football Fortunes in 2009

A hallmark of Rich Rodriguez's highly successful career has been quick, dramatic turnarounds after tough first years in new assignments. The Wolverine faithful fervently hope this trend continues when the Big Blue suits up for its second season under his leadership. Coach Rodriguez will discuss his plans and the team's prospects for the coming season and the longer term. Come early, wear yellow and blue (this means *you*, Joanie K), show support, and ask good questions. Guests are welcome.

Host/introducer: Howard Cooper **Song Leader:** Henry Johnson **Accompanist:** Joan Knoertzer

Upcoming events

August 5 - Luncheon Meeting: Proud Sponsors of New Members Introduce our Newest Rotarians – the Class of August '09

September 14: Golf and Tennis Outing: Contact Claire Foley claire@fiscalfit.com

Notes from the Meeting of July 22

Carl Frye and Bob Pratt are in sick bay, President Lou reported. Bob would appreciate cards which may be sent to him at Ann Arbor Sunrise North.

Some of us may be in vacation mode, but not the Board which met in July as usual. Directors Dunifon, Pierson and Reece took their seats at that meeting, and Jim Cook is enjoying his new title as Past President. In addition, the board will be analyzing the club's audit. See Board Meeting Notes in last week's Harpoon, <http://www.annarborrotary.org>

New Member Orientation and Induction are set for Aug. 5. Plan to meet enthusiastic New Members at Lunch.

President Lou urged all to get fired up for our major fundraiser, the Golf and Tennis Outing. He said more marketing and participation were needed. We need to take possession of this event, President Lou said, and to make it even more of a success.

We'll meet next week in the ballroom to hear U-M football Rich Rodriguez discuss prospects for the coming season. Guests are welcome.

Len Stenger provided us with a humanitarian service project update. He said three new projects have been selected, namely an artificial limbs project in Sri Lanka, computer education in the Philippines and a medical dispensary in India. Community service and humanitarian service updates will be a regular feature of upcoming meetings.

Program Notes from the July 22 Meeting



Cheryl Elliott introduced Sian Owen-Cruise, director, Washtenaw Success by 6 on the topic, "Promoting Successful Parenting and Childcare with Rotary's Help!" The group's mission is to insure that kids begin school ready to succeed. "The first five years are so important in brain development," Sian said. Washtenaw Success by 6 is now a Great Start Collaborative, thanks to some state dollars. Recent progress and changes include a generous grant from Pfizer, expansion of Head Start and Parent Network growth (some 400 percent from last year alone). Sian thanked Rotary for its strong dollar support for First Steps, bike helmets and a children's health care advocate.

While doing a good job of providing program support, analysis and collaboration, Washtenaw Success by 6 is in a state of transition along with everybody else in these tough economic times. "We're not trying to compete with other agencies for existing funds," Sian said, as her group continues to help create a single statewide system supporting children and their parents.

Notes by Don Faber, Harpoon editor; Photos by Fred Beutler

Thought for the Day: From Paul Harris, Rotary's Founder, in a speech to the 1934 Rotary Convention in Detroit. "As long as grass continues to grow green, as long as water continues to go downhill, so long will Rotary continue to uphold its ideal – the ideal of service."

Meeting Statistics: Attendance at the meeting of July 22 included 122 members. We had three guests and two visiting Rotarians (Paul Geiger of Birmingham and Elizabeth Suzuki of Mill Valley CA). Just before lunch, a total of 47 members participated in meetings of five committees; Golf, Internal Financial Procedures, International Projects, Membership and Program. On July 15, eleven members of the Board of Directors met.

Other Notes of Interest

Scholarship Report from WCC: We have just received the Fund Activity Report for the scholarship we have at Washtenaw Community College. It covers the fiscal year from 7/1/07 through 6/30/08. We started with a balance of \$40,365 and finished the year with \$38,417. During that year, we awarded a \$1000 scholarship. Despite some investment income, net unrealized losses and management fees accounted for the rest of the difference.

Makeup Cards from Roving Rotarians: Maurita Holland (Manistique on July 13 and July 20), Mark Ouimet (Dexter on July 9 and Chelsea on July 14) and Bill Stegath (Escanaba on July 7).

Missed a Meeting? Listen to the Podcast at <http://www.annarborrotary.org/podcasts>.

Birthdays: July 30 – Frode Maaseidvaag, Rob Boehnke; **Aug 1** – Joan Knoertzer

Links of Interest: Below is a list of links to various websites that will be of interest to Rotarians.



Rotary International: <http://rotary.org/>. The RI home page has links to About Rotary, The Rotary Foundation, Club Locator and Member Access.

Zone 28: <http://www.zones27-28.org/> the zone level is between RI and the district. We are part of a zone with 15 districts covering the lower peninsula of Michigan, the upper parts of Indiana and Ohio and even a bit of Pennsylvania and New York.

District 6380: <http://rotary6380.org/>. This is the website for our district. District 6380 covers a total of 53 clubs in the counties of Washtenaw, Livingston, Oakland and Macomb in Michigan and Kent in Ontario. The district's monthly newsletter and other individual articles of district-wide interest are posted here.

Rotary Club of Ann Arbor: <http://annarborrotary.org/>. This is our Club's website with background material and current information including the current Annual Report, Strategic Plan, New Member Nomination Form, Committee Descriptions, Club and Golf Outing brochures, synopses of upcoming programs and an archive of current and past Harpoons. Find our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=57896502278&ref=ts> Also; find our meeting podcasts at <http://www.annarborrotary.org/podcasts>

Our club also sponsors the following Rotaract and Interact Clubs:

U-M Rotaract Club: <http://uofmrotaract.wordpress.com/>

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