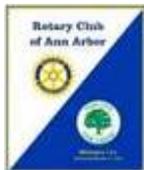
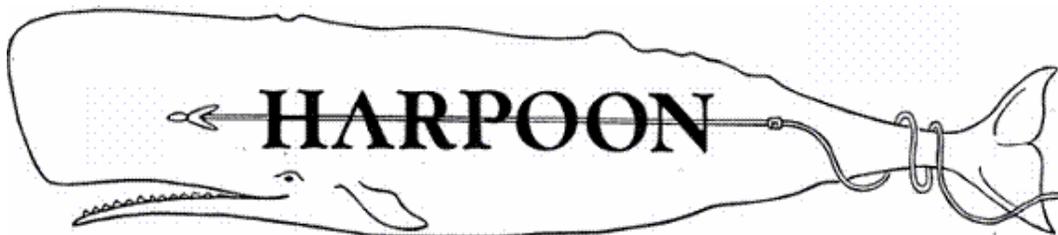


Harpoon for the Meeting of August 5, 2009

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August is Membership and Extension Month in the Rotary Calendar

IN THIS ISSUE:

First Social Outing of the New Rotary Year – Lakeside Picnic!!

Art Holst's Introduction of Coach Rodriguez

EXTRA!! Read President Lou's remarks in the District Newsletter at <http://tinyurl.com/preslou>

Program for August 5, 2009

Speakers: Proud Sponsors of New Members

Topic: Induction of our Newest Rotarians – the Class of August '09

Meet another sterling group of community leaders, the Class of August 2009 who will become our newest club members. Current members who are their sponsor/mentors will introduce them and the rest of us will have the opportunity to extend a warm Ann Arbor Rotary welcome.

Host/introducer: Charlie Crone **Song Leader:** Jan Newman **Accompanist:** Joan Knoertzer

Upcoming events

August 12 - Luncheon Meeting: Michael Cole, Bank of Ann Arbor & Ann Arbor Angels, speaks about "Building Successful Businesses based on University Research & Knowledge"

August 19 – Luncheon Meeting: Matthew Rouser, Ambassadorial Scholar Alumnus, on "An American in Sweden, or What do You Mean, There's no Ikea Here?"

August 30 – Social Committee Family Picnic – see Notes for details

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

Notes from the Meeting of July 29

Orientation and Introduction of the next New Member Class will be at the next meeting, Aug. 5th when at least 7 new members will join our Club. Please help make our new members feel most welcome to Rotary.

District Governor Judy Garver will visit us October 14th. This is one of the most important meetings of the Rotary year so mark your calendars now. Family and friends are invited.



Four undergraduate students from Korea attended (above) as did some of our Interactors (right).

Our first social event of this year will be an afternoon picnic at Susan Smith-Gray's cottage on Bass Lake, on Sunday, August 30th, 2:00 pm onward. The cost is \$5/person for hot dogs and hamburgers, lemonade and iced tea. Last names starting with A-M should bring a vegetable or salad, and N-Z bring a dessert. Bring your swimsuit, regardless of your last name. Families and children are especially invited. Make reservations by contacting Susan Smith-Gray either during a meeting or at smithsms@umich.edu. Our several clergy members will take responsibility for the weather.

Art Holst brought a special guest, Bob Chappuis. Bob first came to Michigan in 1941, was a B-25 pilot over Italy during WWII, was shot down and imprisoned, then played football at Michigan to 1947 as tailback. Bob was one of the all-time Michigan greats.

Program Notes from the July 29 Meeting

Howard Cooper introduced Rich Rodriguez, U-M Football Coach, who spoke on *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 looks forward to an improved season from a team with a positive attitude, conditioning, and great talent. A championship program requires hard work and clear leadership, lessons that some players had to learn last year. When adversity strikes, teams must come together and work toward a common goal. The

coach's success each week can be measured in part by the level of team preparation. Coach commented that he has strong support from President Mary Sue Coleman and from former players, and that a winning season means a happy family. Pressure on football coaches is merely part of the job, he said.

Coach Rodriguez feels that Michigan has a good recruiting class this year. Key to recruiting is the campus visit with an introduction to Michigan academics, to the staff, and to entering the Big House!

Comments in answer to Members' questions:

Largest need is for defensive players.

Games are scheduled 4 – 5 years in advance so the task is to fill open dates. We need 7 home games to be financially successful. Michigan opens against Western Michigan on September 5th followed by Notre Dame.

BCS would benefit from 1-2 playoff games.

The starting quarterback has not been identified. The coach hopes one or two candidates will stand out by the end of August.

Notes by Bob Buchanan; Photos by Fred Beutler

Thought for the Day: Words and Wisdom of Paul Harris.

“So far as I am concerned, I had rather live on ham sandwiches and snowballs with enough ham sandwiches and snowballs to go all around than to have my choice of all the creations of the chefs of a thousand Waldorf Astorias to eat by my selfish, lonely self.”

Message to 1934 RI Convention Detroit, Michigan, USA

July 29 Invocation from Art Holst: I give thanks for this opportunity to be a football official praying for a coach.

Coach Rodriguez, it is our privilege and duty as Rotarians to support you and your Michigan team just as it is your privilege and duty to coach the Maize and Blue. May the goal be not only for victory but also for pride and purpose that we wish for you and the team each week. It is beneficial to all concerned if we have minimal fumbles, dropped passes, and interceptions. May it build good will and better friendships and be fair to all concerned as officials do their almost perfect job of judgment. This is our prayer, Coach, as we welcome you to Rotary and wish you a great season. Go Blue!

Other Notes of Interest

Financial Literacy Project of Our Member Bob Mull: There is a huge need for financial literacy education, especially for our young people. Rotary Member Bob Mull retired from Ford Motor Company in October 2006 and followed one of his passions of promoting financial literacy by joining Michigan Jumpstart (<http://www.mijumpstartcoalition.org/1.php>), a non-profit that promotes financial education in high schools. When the *Harpoon* issue of May 14, 2008 asked for a volunteer to complete a class on investments at Community High, Bob jumped at the opportunity. He recruited two other Ann Arbor experts, Anne Bannister, Executive Director of Personal Finance Education Services, and Mark Erskine, a retired Ford finance executive with a Series 7 securities license, to join him in the effort. They expanded the investments course to include avoiding fraud, the ins and outs of credit cards, managing debt, the importance of banking/checking accounts, budgeting, financial planning, insurance, housing, every day law, taxes, economics, and career planning. After completing the spring 2008 semester, Bob and colleagues taught at Community High in the fall and in spring of 2009, and expanded the program to Skyline High School. Through Bob's Rotary connections, the group plans to offer classes at Steiner High and Stone High this fall. Anne, Bob and Mark also taught employees of Chelsea Milling (Jiffy Mix) tips on how to survive the financial crisis. The success of this program has resulted in invitations from other for-profit and non-profit employers in the Southeast Michigan area. Contact Bob at rmull1111@comcast.net for more information.

Directory Notes: The next printed directory will be coming out in early fall. Changes indicated on the draft listing that was included in your dues bill will be incorporated. In addition, the committee is also planning to add cell phone numbers for those members who would like theirs listed. If so, please contact John White and specify whether you want it listed in addition to, or instead of, your home

number. Also, if you have an account with Twitter, Facebook, etc. and would like to share that ID with your fellow Rotarians, send it along to John.

New Photos: John White will taking the directory photos of the new Rotarians this Wednesday. See him before or after the meeting if your directory photo needs updating

Meeting Statistics: Attendance at the meeting of July 29 included 147 members. We also had 39 guests, five Interactors and seven visiting Rotarians (Chris Delar of Ann Arbor North, Paul Geiger of Birmingham, Byron Hestevold of Marathon FL, Neil Loney of Ypsilanti, Albert Menard of Saginaw Sunrise, Ed Schultz of Plymouth and Don Witter of Lima OH). Just before lunch, a total of nine members participated in meetings of the Golf Outing and Membership Development Committees. Early in the day, six members of the Endowment Investment Committee met.

Dues News [from John White]: Thanks to all the Rotarians who sent in their dues by the due date of July 31. That was invoice #1 on your 1-2-3-4 bill. Many of the letters also came with donations to the “Every-Rotarian-Every Year” campaign #2), advance payment of the Community Service Assessment (#3) and/or a contribution to PolioPlus (#4). I have been sorting out the checks and have made one large deposit but I am bit behind. If your July bank statement shows your check(s) haven’t cleared, please wait until the August statement before becoming concerned. Thanks.

Makeup Cards from Roving Rotarians: Brad Bowersox (Ann Arbor North on June 11), Ed Hood (Frankfort on July 15 and July 22) and Jack Walker (Damariscotta-Newcastle on July 7 and July 14).

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

Birthdays: Aug 3 – Peter Wright; Aug 4 – Joyce Parker; Aug 5 – Montatip Krishnamra, Rob Juergens; Aug 6 – Scott Westerman; Aug 7 – Robert Albritton; Aug 9 – Jan Newman

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 54 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/>

Huron High Interact Club: <http://www.aaps.k12.mi.us/huron.interact/home>

Pioneer High Interact Club: <http://www.pioneerinteract.blogspot.com/>

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