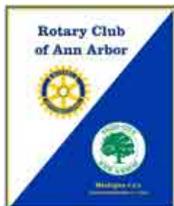


Harpoon for the Meeting of May 16, 2007

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The Program for Wednesday, May 16, 2007

Speaker: Olivia Maynard, U-M Regent

Topic: "A Regent's Perspective on The University of Michigan"

Olivia (Libby) Maynard, a member of the Board of Regents since 1996, will discuss operations and governance of the University from this unique perspective, including topics of special interest to members of our club. Formerly Director of the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging, Ms. Maynard is president of the Michigan Prospect, a trustee of the C.S. Mott Foundation, and board member of other prominent organizations.

Host/Introducer: Hal Flynn

Song Leader: Jim Irwin

Accompanist: Deanna Relyea

Looking Ahead

May 14 (Monday) – Postage rates go up. A first class letter will now be \$0.41. Other significant changes will be in the treatment of large envelopes and packages. Postage for them will no longer be based primarily on weight. Go to <http://www.usps.com/> for details.

May 15 (Tuesday evening) – May Board Meeting and Annual Retreat for current and upcoming Club officers and directors.

May 16 (Wednesday noon) – Regular weekly meeting. See details above.

May 23 (Wednesday noon) - Distinguished Service Awardee Richard Ingram will lead the Huron High School A Capella Choir in a "Springtime Songfest Just for Rotarians."

May 30 (Wednesday noon) - Teresa Sullivan, U-M Provost & Executive Vice President will speak on, "Future of Higher Education . . . The Spellings Commission Report."

Note: Details on the luncheon programs for May are on-line at <http://annarborrotary.org/may.shtml>.

June 6 (Wednesday noon) – Regular weekly luncheon meeting. Note: this date is also the deadline for nominations for membership in the new member class that will be inducted on July 11. Guidance for potential sponsors and a nomination form are available on-line at <http://annarborrotary.org/facts.shtml> or as paper copies in a pocket at the bottom of the badge board.

News from the Meeting of May 9, 2007

Bob Meyers, longtime member, was a “guest” of Bob Buchanan. And it was also good to see back among us Howard Deardorff who had heart surgery. It’s hard to keep a good Rotarian down.

Scott Westerman had his fan club present at the recent Measure for Measure concert at Pioneer High. Scott, who sings with this men’s group, always sells a plethora of tickets and many hands were raised at the meeting who attended the event, hence the moniker the Westerman fan club.



President Ingrid and
Rotaractor Jamie

Jamie Walsh of the University of Michigan Rotaract Club has been awarded the “Lead the Way” presidential citation for her work with U-M Rotaract. Congratulations, Jamie!

Among our other honored persons are Joe Fitzsimmons, cited by SOS for his fundraising ability, and Prue Rosenthal at the Jewish Federation dinner on May 16.

Ken and Penny Fischer were in Washington to attend a garden party at the British Ambassador’s residence to meet Queen Elizabeth II. Ken represented UMS’s connection with the Royal Shakespeare Company’s appearance in Ann Arbor. (By the way, what DOES one say to her Britannic Majesty in making conversation? “Your hat is lovely, your purse divine?”)



Awardee Chuck and
President Ingrid

After a fine introduction by Ingrid Deininger in remarks prepared by Norman Herbert, Charles “Chuck” Cares was honored with the Paul Harris Fellow, Distinguished Service Award. Chuck was director of the Nichols Arboretum for many years and is superbly schooled in landscape architecture. He has served on the Ann Arbor Township Farmland Preservation Board and the Greenbelt Committee. Chuck also was our club’s president in 1989-90. He accepted his plaque to a standing ovation from members. The full text of the tribute to Chuck can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Todd Roberts announced a strategic planning process for the Ann Arbor school district, a process in which Scott Westerman is also involved. Todd asked for involvement on the action planning committee.

The membership committee gave a June 6 deadline for new member recruitment for the July class induction. When recruiting, let’s not be ashamed to tell the Rotary story!



Lou Callaway said the club’s major fundraiser, the golf outing, is set for Sept. 10 at Travis Pointe. The theme is “Planting for the Future,” recalling our ash tree replacement program. Golf, tennis, and an auction are planned. You can help by participating, talking up the event, joining for dinner, volunteering to help or soliciting sponsors. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to make the golf outing the rousing success it deserves.

Incoming president Al Burdi distributed a club statement of conduct for working with youth. The language includes “treating all young people respectfully, equally and with humane consideration regardless of age, gender, race, religion, ethnicity or cultural background.” Paper copies of the document can be found in a pocket at the bottom of the badge board or on the club website at <http://annarborrotary.org/YouthSafetyPolicy070418.pdf>.

It's finally ready for the unveiling! The Rotary bus advertising kickoff is set for Wednesday, May 16 at 7:00pm in the AATA bus parking lot. Come and join us for the first view and pictures.

Notes from the Program of May 9, 2007

With Fritz Seyferth as introducer, we heard Greg Stejskal, new Rotarian and recently retired FBI agent, on the subject "A G-Man's Adventures In and Around Ann Arbor." Greg was in the FBI 32 years, all of which were served in Michigan while based in Detroit. His was a baptism of fire – his first summer here was in 1975, notable for four major kidnappings which he termed "unusual." That was also the year the Ann Arbor VA Hospital experienced the "Pavulon controversy," in which ten patients died after Injection by the paralyzing drug.



Greg Stejskal

Greg worked on a surveillance squad in Detroit, trailing the remnants of the Cosa Nostra family. He related some interesting anecdotes of criminal ineffectiveness. In 1982, he was in Ann Arbor doing a drug investigation. Ann Arbor, he says tongue in cheek, was "fertile territory" for drugs in those days. Greg developed a close relationship with U-M football coach Bo Schembechler while waging war on the use of steroids.

With the agency, Greg "pitched an undercover investigation of steroids" among youth. "I told major league baseball in 1994 you've got a problem with steroids," Greg said. Jose Canseco appeared to be one of the major focal points of steroid use at the time. In answer to questions, Greg said he was only minimally involved in the Jimmy Hoffa disappearance in 1976, and that Cosa Nostra wasn't dead, but was certainly less powerful than in its heyday.

President Ingrid's "Thought for the day:" Be careful about calling yourself an expert. An "ex" is a has-been and a "spurt" is a drip under pressure.

The News and Notes were prepared by Don Faber. Fred Beutler provided the photographs from the meeting.

Meeting Statistics: Our reported attendance at this day's meeting was 140 members. We also had five guests (four of them were children of Chuck Cares), three visiting Rotarians (Becky Pazkowski from Saline, Laura Ford from Jackson and Laurie Baumer from Lansing) and one Rotaractor (Jamie Walsh from the U-M Club). Prior to the luncheon, a total of 24 members met in four committee meetings (Strive, Golf Outing, Group Study Exchange and Rotate Your Food). Also reported was an off-site Strive meeting on May 2 attended by nine Rotarians.

Note: Attendance credits can be earned from make-ups at other clubs and involvement in district and RI events as well as participation in committee meetings, tree-plantings, tutoring and other creditable events and activities within our own club. An example of the value of these credits is that no individual member has attended every club luncheon this year yet over fifty show 100% attendance in the records.

Other Notes of Interest

Birthdays: May 13 – Bob Green; May 14 – Larry Henkel and Len Stenger; May 15 – Ray Hunter; May 16 – Marsha Chamberlin and Agnes Reading; May 17 – Liz Leidy and Milo White; May 18 – Al Bamsey, Peter Fayroian and Fritz Seyferth.

Make-up Cards from Roving Rotarians: Fred Beutler (Jekyll Island GA on May 2); Sue Beutler (Jekyll Island GA on May 2); Don Devine (Westminster/Ashburnham MA on May 2) and Dennis Norton (Ypsilanti on April 30).

Rotarians in the News: Nothing special this week but please stop by the bulletin board next to the check-in desk for the latest.

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. Registration information for the Annual Convention in Salt Lake City from June 17-29 is also on-line at: <http://rotary.org/events/conventions/2007/index.html>.

• **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 50 clubs in the counties of Washtenaw, Livingston, Oakland, Macomb in Michigan and Kent in Ontario. The district's monthly newsletter, as well as individual articles of district-wide interest, are also posted here. Recent postings include the invitations to the Lake Orion Sunrise chartering ceremony, the induction party for incoming District Governor Audrey Chevalier and a celebration for a current Ambassadorial scholar studying at Wayne State.



• **Rotary Club of Ann Arbor:** <http://annarborrotary.org/>. This is our Club's own website. It contains a great deal of background material and current information such as the 2007 Golf Outing pamphlet, Club brochure, current Annual Report,

New Member Nomination Form, Committee Descriptions, synopses of upcoming programs and an archive of current and past Harpoons. Our club also sponsors the following Rotaract and Interact Clubs:

- **U-M Rotaract Club:** <http://www.umich.edu/~rotaract/>
- **Huron High Interact Club:** <http://www.aaps.k12.mi.us/huron.interact/home>
- **Pioneer High Interact Club:** <http://www.pioneerinteract.blogspot.com/>

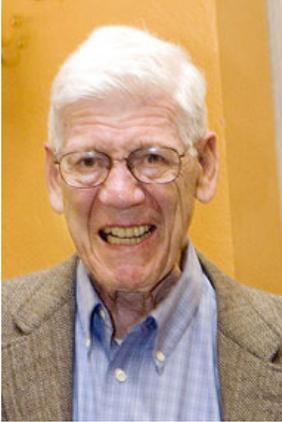
Tree Planting: Here are a few of Bill Stegath's photos from Leslie Park on April 28.



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**Presentation of
Paul Harris Fellow, Distinguished Service Award
to Charles “Chuck” Cares
May 9, 2007**



Charles W. Cares
Distinguished
Service Awardee
and Paul Harris
Fellow

The individual that we’re honoring today has been a Rotary Club member since January 1968, soon to be 40 years, was born in Meadville, PA, grew up in Cleveland Heights, Ohio and spent summers on an uncle’s farm halfway in between. He worked in his mother’s flower shop. His father was also a Rotarian. He went to Allegheny College where there’s a strong family connection -- his father, uncle, brother, wife, nephew and daughter all graduated from there as well. This person has blended family, friends, academia and community all his life.

After college Charles W. Cares or “Chuck” enlisted in the Navy, serving mostly in the Pacific as a Lieutenant Commander in World War II. His tour of duty included landings on Guadalcanal, Bougainville and Iwo Jima, and he endured the challenges of being on a ship that was torpedoed, not just once but twice.

After the war, Chuck was back in Meadville visiting his uncle who was a history professor at Allegheny. Through him, Chuck met Marian, then a student. They got married and Chuck went back to school to study Landscape Architecture, earning a degree at Michigan State and then a Masters degree at Harvard. Chuck served on the faculty at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY for nine years before joining the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1959. Chuck taught and served as Department Chair for ten years. At that time the Chair of the Landscape Architecture was also Director of the Nichols Arboretum, a post which Chuck continued in for about fifteen (15) years. Chuck has served on numerous boards and committees including the Board in Control of Intercollegiate Athletics., the Museum of Art and the Kelsey Museum. He has impacted the lives and careers of hundreds of students. Subsequent to one student project that incorporated citizen participation into the plan, he and his close friend Terry Brown designed Liberty Square Plaza in 1978. It is still considered one of Ann Arbor’s beautiful downtown parks.

Chuck is a Fellow in the Society of Landscape Architects and is active in the national organization, Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation. He served as Chair of the Ann Arbor Township Planning Commission for many years. More recently he served as a member of the Ann Arbor Township Farmland Preservation board and the Greenbelt Committee. He continues to work on the Farmland Preservation Program today as well as currently serving on the City’s Elizabeth Dean Trust Fund “Tree Committee.”



The Cares: John, Alison, Chuck, Sue and Chris

Chuck and his wife Marian had four children, all of whom are with us today, Chris, Sue, John and, Alison. Alison, lives in Ithaca, New York where she is a first grade school teacher. Chris is in city planning, living in Boulder, Colorado; Sue, a former Rotarian, worked at Washtenaw County for 25 years and is currently working as a Hospice nurse. John is a farmer near Dexter. He is also the owner of the Dexter Mill. Chuck again helped in the early days of that business.

There are eleven (11) grandchildren in the family and it is reported that Chuck tried to teach beekeeping but had better success with fishing (both with lures and flies). He and Marian attended many of their activities, including regular attendance at County 4-H fairs, a tradition that goes back to the 60's. Chuck has always been an outdoorsman including enjoying tennis and downhill skiing and even some golf post 2 hip replacements.

As Frode Maaseidvaag stated in his legacy conversation, Chuck Cares' name is especially appropriate since he treasures personal relationships. "His name really describes him well – Chuck cares."

The kids recall hosting international students for Thanksgiving dinner every year as well as many overnight visitors.....one whom he reportedly unexpectedly brought home from the airport after taking someone else to catch a plane. That young man stayed for 3 months! Chuck felt very deeply about providing opportunities for international exchange with these visitors.

The Cares family also recalls Chuck using the Rotary 4-way test at the dinner table, teaching that Rotary values work across all ages. Chuck served the Club as its president 1989-90, and on many Club committees. He worked at the District level and on the Ambassadorial Scholar Committee responsible for selecting the outbound scholars. Today one of his favorite events of the week is on Friday mornings at Angell School where he serves as a Rotary Reader/Tutor. He continues to be a member of the Program Committee and the Annual Fundraiser Planning Committee.

Chuck, in recognition of your years of service to the community, the students you have influenced, your significant leadership role in our Rotary Club and at the District level, loved by your family as well as neighbors (you were always so helpful to my parents – and for that I thank you), we bestow on you today the Club's highest honor, the Paul Harris Fellow – Distinguished Service Award.
CONGRATULATIONS!

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