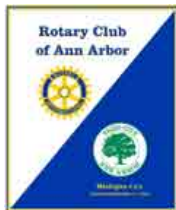


Harpoon for the Meeting of May 30, 2007

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The Program for Wednesday, May 30, 2007

Speaker: Teresa A. Sullivan, U-M Provost & Executive Vice President

Topic: Future of Higher Education . . . The Spellings Commission Report

Two days before the end of her first year as U-M Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs (and Professor of Sociology), Teresa Sullivan will bring us a U-M perspective on the Spellings Commission Report. The Commission was created by U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings in 2005 to develop a comprehensive strategy for post-secondary education to better serve Americans and address our nation's future economic and workforce needs.

Host/Introducer: Gloria Kerry

Song Leader: Russ Collins

Accompanist: Tom Strode

Also, as announced in last week's Harpoon, members present at this meeting will be asked to approve an amendment to the Club Bylaws recommended by the Board of Directors. The amendment will delete Article IX, Section 4 of the Bylaws, because it describes an audit procedure no longer used by the Club and supplanted by new internal financial review policy and procedures that were adopted by the Board in 2006 and have been fully implemented.

Looking Ahead

June is "Fellowship Month" on the Rotary Calendar. The highlight of the month will be the RI Convention in Salt Lake City from June 17-20. President-Elect Al Burdi will be our club's official representative.

June 6 (Wednesday noon) – Laurel Champion, Publisher of the Ann Arbor News, will update us on the challenges of journalism in the 21st century. 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.

June 13 (Wednesday noon) - Claudio Spiegel, U-M grad and President, Rotary Club of Guaxupe, Brazil, will describe how Rotarians there are preparing young Brazilians to be functioning citizens.

June 20 (Wednesday noon) – Rotarian Peter Fayroian, Head of Greenhills School, will discuss the past, present and future of independent schools in general and Greenhills in particular.

June 27 (Wednesday noon) – Kirsten Levinsohn, President of the Leslie Science and Nature Center, will describe the rebirth of the facility.

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

News from the Meeting of May 23, 2007



Vince O'Neill



Shu Situ

We heard from our Junior Rotarians, Vince O'Neill from Gabriel Richard High School, and Shu Situ, from Community High. Vince played many sports and will attend Kalamazoo Valley Community College before transferring to Western Michigan University. Shu, active in orchestra among other endeavors, will be attending the U-M next fall; her interests are biology and chemistry.

Members again picked up a golf ball upon departure, the spheroid having the date of next fall's Golf Outing marked on it.

June 6 is the deadline for nominations to the next new member class.

The Rotate Your Food campaign is "proceeding full steam ahead," according to President Ingrid, thanking all for participating in this worthy event. See the full text of the press release later in this newsletter.



Huron Interact Board

Ed Wier introduced the Huron High Interact club's directors. Jenny An, club president, spoke a few words of appreciation for her work with Rotary. Other officers are Lola Liu, vice president; Jennifer Dai, historian; Rhoda Wang, treasurer; Cathy Chen, secretary; Sam Hern, technical; and board members Vivian Lam, Sharon Wei and Elliot Sapala.

We'll vote at the next meeting on a bylaw concerning internal financial control policy



Our newest Paul Harris Fellows

Nishta Bhatia presided over another round of inductions as Paul Harris Fellows. We congratulate the following: Fred Beutler, Al Burdi, Barbara Debrott, Henry Brown, Jack Dobson, Carl Gingles, Larry Hastie, Walt Helmreich, Maurita Holland, Tom Kauper, Jim Martin, Jim Reece, Ashish Sarkar, Brooks Sitterley and John White. Many of those honored are repeater Paul Harris Fellows. We also thank the other generous donors who have chosen to remain anonymous.

Note: The board has authorized a one-for-two match for next year to encourage members to achieve the first, or next, level of Paul Harris Fellowship. If you want to know where you stand, you can ask John White or log on to RI at www.rotary.org and go to Member Access (on the right end of the menu bar at the top of the home page). On the Member Access page, you can either enter your Username and Password (if you have one) or Register Now (if you don't). If you are registering for the first time, you will need your district number (6380), your club number (2972) and your RI number (over your name on the Rotarian address label).

Notes from the Program of May 23, 2007

Maurita Holland introduced Richard Ingram, director of the Huron High School A Capella Choir and a recipient of

our club's Distinguished Service Award. His fine singers presented a program that included "A Prayer for Peace," "Walking in the Green Grass" and "Black is the Color of my True Love's Hair." The singers followed with "Deep River" by Moses Hogan and a piece by Sarah Hopkins, an Aussie composer, featuring aboriginal chant melodies and overtone singing (the latter is something for Rotarians to practice on at our next meeting!). The program concluded with Rene Clausen's "All that have Life and Breath, Praise Ye the Lord."



Here are few views of the Huron High A Capella Choir

The News and Notes were prepared by Don Faber. Bill Dunifon provided the photographs from the meeting.

Meeting Statistics: Our reported attendance at this day's meeting was 123 members. We also had six guests, two visiting Rotarians (Laurie Baumer of Lansing and George Sugiyama of Grand Rapids) and five members of the outgoing Interact Board at Huron High. Prior to the luncheon, a total of 15 members met in two committee meetings (Golf Outing and Internal Financial Procedures). During the months of February, March and April, the Rotary Tutors conducted 118 sessions. Several Rotarian spouses are also participating in the program.

Other Notes of Interest

Condolences: Charlene Schmolt, wife of fellow Rotarian Carl Schmolt, passed away on Saturday, May 26. Plans for a service are incomplete. More information should be available at the meeting on May 30.

Birthdays: May 27 – Gene Ingram; May 29 – Russ Collins, Jed Jacobson and Jim Montgomery; May 30 – Reno Maccardini; May 31 – Clayne Frazer; June 1 – Phil Alexander and Ashish Sarkar

Make-up Cards from Roving Rotarians: Dick Elwell (Princess Cruise Lines); Hal Flynn (Canyon TX on May 15 and 22, Amarillo TX on May 21), Mark Ouimet (Chelsea on May 8; Dexter on May 17); Bryan Schindel (Ann Arbor North on May 17).

Rotarians in the News: Nothing of significance has been reported but please take a look at the bulletin board next to the check-in desk as you arrive at this week's meeting.



"Rotate Your Food 2007": Here is the text of a Public Service Announcement prepared and distributed by our club's committee. Please contact Chris McMullen or Steve Kesler if you have any comments or questions.

**ROTARY CLUBS OF ANN ARBOR AND DEXTER
JOIN THE LOCAL FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER**

The Rotary Clubs of Ann Arbor and Dexter invite the community to join them in gathering non-perishable food items for distribution by Food Gatherers, Washtenaw County's food rescue and food bank program. Items will be collected between Monday, June 4 and Saturday, June 16 at 56 local businesses and organizations, and will be distributed to over 150 non-profit programs throughout the county. About 35% of those receiving food are children, who are especially needy during the summer when school food programs are not operating. For a complete list of places to drop off your donation, visit <http://www.annarborrotary.org> or call 734-761-2796.

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Additional information:

This year's participants include:

In Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti - Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation, Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce, Ann Arbor Commerce Bank, Ann Arbor District Library – Main, Malletts Creek & Pittsfield Branches, Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, Ann Arbor Observer, Ann Arbor Women's City Club, Ann Arbor YMCA, Bank of Ann Arbor, Boy Scouts Great Sauk Trail Council, City of Ann Arbor - Larcom & City Center Buildings, Comerica – all branches, First Congregational Church, Glacier Hills, Greenhills School, Karen Kerry, D.D.S., KeyBank, Menlo Innovations, NEW Center, Northbury Condominiums, Old Town Realty, One on One Athletic Club, PALL Corporation, Rose Chiropractic, United Bank & Trust, Washtenaw County Administration Building, Washtenaw County Employment Training & Community Services, Washtenaw County Library Learning Resource Center, Zingerman's Deli, Zingerman's Mail Order

In Dexter - AAA Insurance, Busch's, Country Market, Dexter Flowers & Gifts, Dexter Community Schools (Copeland Administration Building), Dexter Leader, Peace Lutheran Church, United Bank & Trust – Dexter

In Saline – KeyBank, United Bank & Trust

Rotary is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build good will and peace in the world. To learn more about the Rotary Clubs of Ann Arbor and Dexter, visit <http://www.annarborrotary.org> and <http://www.rotarydexter.org/>.

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/>

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