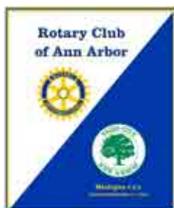


Harpoon for the Meeting of June 13, 2007

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## The Program for Wednesday, June 13, 2007

**Speaker:** Claudio Spiguel, President, Rotary Club of Guaxupe, Brazil

**Topic:** Rotarians Preparing Young Brazilians to be Functioning Citizens

Claudio Spiguel is a U-M grad (Ph.D., Computer & Communication Sciences '82) and retired Senior V.P. of Zeneca Pharmaceuticals and University of Delaware professor. Now he splits time between the U.S. and Guaxupe, a town of 50,000 in Brazil, where he is president of the Rotary club. He will tell us about its "Child Citizen" and "Adolescent Citizen" programs, operated in cooperation with the schools and local government, that work to help needy children avoid the ravages of crime and drugs and prepare for effective citizenship and full engagement in their community and nation's legitimate economy.

**Host/Introducer:** Vic Rosenberg

**Song Leader:** Shelley MacMillan

**Accompanist:** Maurita Holland

## Looking Ahead

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

**June 15** (Friday afternoon) – There will be a Strive Open House at Stone School from 2:00 to 6:00pm.

**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. Note: This date will be the first "opportunity" to pay your dues for the 2007-2008 Rotary Year. Invoices will be handed out at this meeting and the next. The remaining envelopes will be mailed out at the end of June. Your payment is due the end of July.

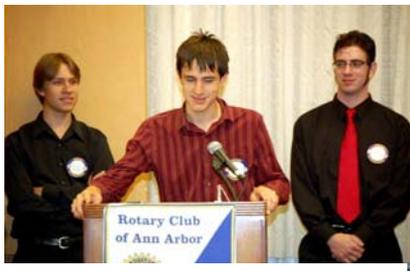
**June 27** (Wednesday noon) – Kirsten Levinsohn, President of the Leslie Science and Nature Center, will describe the rebirth of the facility.

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

## News from the Meeting of June 6, 2007

Several of our World War II veterans stood and were applauded on this anniversary of D-Day in 1944 and the invasion of Europe.

Today was also the deadline for the new member class to be inducted July 11.



The first three of our High School Scholarship Winners for 2007

Milo White introduced Rotary Club scholarship winners. They are (pictured from left to right in the photo) Drew Clark of Community High, Benjamin Hejkal of Rudolf Steiner High School and Kevin Heemstra of Fr. Gabriel Richard High School. Drew is going to Beloit College, Benjamin will be attending McAlester College in St. Paul MN while Kevin is bound for Eastern Michigan University.

Because they did such a fine job as co-chairs of the social committee getting Rotarians to know one another better, Chris Conlin and Millie Danielson were given a nice round of applause.

Don Devine's book is out. "Jane, a Flight to Freedom" is an historical novel set in the time of the Civil War.

## Notes from the Program of June 6, 2007

Ed Petykiewicz introduced Laurel Champion, publisher of The Ann Arbor News on the topic "Challenges of 21st Century Journalism." Despite the "most challenging time ever" for journalism, Laurel was optimistic about the future of print journalism. She mentioned changes at The News, including the voluntary buyout of more than 40 staffers to "do more with less." She cited "blending the A section with local news, the merging of classified with business and a photo page on Saturday among the other noticeable changes in the paper's appearance.



Laurel Champion

"We've changed the size to a narrower width to reduce newsprint cost," she said, adding that newsprint is a major cost to the paper. "We've made The News easier to navigate. And we've stepped up our on-line presence so that we're a 24-7 news outlet." She was most pleased about new products, including a U-M football DVD. Laurel showed scenes from the DVD which included a sportswriters' analysis of the 2006 season and the outlook for 2007.

The News has also partnered with The New York Times in publishing 20,000 copies at The News' publishing facility. "We're willing to embrace change and to think outside the box," she said, of efforts to reach younger readers. "If we can't compete with the Internet, we'll be a part of it," she promised.

Note: The Ann Arbor News is also on-line at <http://www.mlive.com>.

President Ingrid's "Thought for the Day:" The inequality of the world can be seen in the fact that two-thirds of the population is starving while the remaining one-third is dieting.

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 147 members. We also welcomed two visiting Rotarians (Doug Bacon of Flint and Jim Campbell of Ann Arbor Briarwood) and twelve guests. Prior to the luncheon, a total of 14 members met in two committee meetings (Website and International Projects).

## Other Notes of Interest

**Birthdays:** June 10 – Cathi Duchon; June 11 – Bob Meyers and Josie Parker; June 12 - Hugh Morgan; June 13- Ed

Petykiewicz and Russ Reister; June 14 - Susan McClanahan; June 15 – Al Storey; June 16 – Dallas Dort, Betsy Hammond and Dave Keosaian.

**Make-up Cards from Roving Rotarians:** Neil Bidwell (Petoskey on May 23); Bob Buchanan (Star Princess Cruise Ship on May 22 and May 30); Marsha Chamberlin (Saline on May 31) and Nels Olson (Frankfort on May 23 and 30). Also, still unclaimed is the “mystery” make-up card from the Rotary Club of Geneva IL on April 10. There was no name on it. Will the member who attended that meeting please contact John White at [administrator@annarborrotary.org](mailto:administrator@annarborrotary.org).

**Rotarians in the News:** The Dexter Leader recently published an article on how Mark Ouimet has become the “go-to guy” as a Washtenaw County Commissioner. For this clipping and other current items, including the latest District Newsletter, please review the bulletin board next to the check-in desk as you arrive at this week’s meeting.

**“Rotate Your Food” Canned Food Drive Needs Your Help** [submitted by Chris McMullen and reprinted from last week’s Harpoon]: You, too, can help fight hunger in your community—particularly during the next two weeks at our weekly Rotary gathering! June 4 – 16 marks the third year of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club’s efforts to help stock the shelves of our local food bank’s pantry. Fifty-six food collection boxes have been placed in Ann Arbor, Dexter, Ypsilanti and Saline to bring in much-needed non-perishable food for Food Gatherers. This food will then help support the feeding programs of 150 local non-profit agencies providing healthy food to approximately 5,500 people a week in Washtenaw County.



A food collection box will be at the door on Wednesday’s meeting for donations of non-perishable foods. Please bring in your donations to contribute to the success of this drive to help our neighbors in need. Especially needed items include: canned meats, hearty soups, canned stews and pasta, chili, beans (kidney, pinto, green, yellow, refried, etc.), canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, baby food (non-glass containers only), baby formula, Ensure or other nutritional drinks, rice, cereal, pasta, pancake and other baking mixes.

We look forward to filling up the donation box with your help. For further information regarding the work of Food Gatherers, please visit <http://www.foodgatherers.org/> or contact Chris McMullen at [chris@foodgatherers.org](mailto:chris@foodgatherers.org). Thanks for helping to fight hunger where we live.

**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 a list of potential speakers.

- **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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