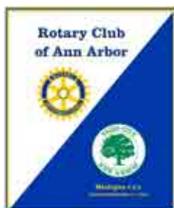


Harpoon for the Meeting of June 20, 2007

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The Program for Wednesday, June 20, 2007

Speaker: Peter Fayroian, Head of School, Greenhills School

Topic: A Nationally Recognized Independent School in our Community

The third consecutive Greenhills Head of School to also be an Ann Arbor Rotarian will discuss the past, present and future of independent schools in America and Greenhills School in particular. Founded in the late sixties through visionary efforts of a group of local families, Greenhills still adheres to principles and values that guided those efforts, with a considerably larger, ever-stronger student body and faculty and a reputation as one of the leading independent schools in the country. Joining in this presentation will be students who for the past year have delved into the oral histories and archives of the school and its founders.

Host/Introducer: Dave McDowell

Song Leader: Dave Keosaian

Accompanist: Maurita Holland

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.

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 is there now as our club's official representative.

June 27 (Wednesday noon) – Kirsten Levinsohn, President of the Leslie Science and Nature Center, will describe the rebirth of the facility. The events this day will also include the "passing of the gavel" ceremony as Al Burdi succeeds Ingrid Sheldon as president of the Club.

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

July 4 (Wednesday) – No meeting in honor of the Independence Day Holiday. We will resume our regular weekly meetings on July 11 with the induction of new members but then take off July 18 for the Art Fairs.

News from the Meeting of June 13, 2007

We observed a moment of silence for those who died in the air crash of the U-M survival flight. The words of Abraham Lincoln come to mind: “I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him.” We are all proud of these folks who gave their lives so others might live.

Susan Smith Gray on behalf of the Social Committee asked for help. Anybody interested in attending a Tigers baseball game in August? See her or a member of her committee if you’re interested.

Ann Schriber, for the big golf outing September 10, asked for the donation of items for the auction.

The Rotate Your Food Committee was thanked; we had flag exchanges from Brazil; and the piano duo of Maurita Holland and Joan Knoertzer played “The Girl from Ipanema” as traveling music in honor of our speaker.



Milo White introduced five more Rotary Scholarship winners. Rushdi Furrha from Pioneer High played football and will attend U-M in the fall; Marcus McRee also attended Pioneer High. A basketball player, he’ll be going to Ball State. Rachel Wiggin from Pioneer High was in National Honor Society and will be attending Michigan State. Josh Forgacs of Fr. Gabriel Richard High School ran track and will be going to Albion in the fall. Karl Feak of Huron High played soccer and will be going to Illinois.



Our club received a membership development and extension award in District 6380 for bringing in the most new members in 2006-2007. The award was signed by W. B. Boyd, president of Rotary International. It was presented to us by his representative, Trey Greene of the Rotary Club of Detroit. Way to go, Rotarians!

Notes from the Program of June 13, 2007



Claudio Spiguel

Vic Rosenberg introduced Claudio Spiguel, president of the Rotary Club of Guaxupe, Brazil, on the topic

“Rotarians preparing young Brazilians to be functioning citizens.” Claudio mentioned he first developed ties in Ann Arbor in 1976 when he worked with the late Bernie Galler of our club on database and information retrieval. The Guaxupe Rotary Club in the state of Minas Gerais is small, 21 members, but “we’re growing,” said Claudio. The club contributed a hemodialysis unit to a local hospital and runs Horto Florestal, a complementary school for needy kids.

Horto Florestal helps 120 kids age 6-14 who come from broken homes, have no financial support and have basic needs. “We provide meals and teach self-respect,” said Claudio. The Child Citizen Project is a working agreement with local government; its follow-through is the Adolescent Citizen Project which aims to help kids from 6-18 years of age. “We want to protect our investment in their early years,” said Claudio. “Then at 18, students will be ready to join the workforce rather than succumb to drugs and crime.”

Claudio asked our club to sign a letter of intent between our clubs for an international partnership in working with these young Brazilians to prepare for effective citizenship and full engagement in their community and in the nation’s economy.

President Ingrid’s thought for the day: This Swedish proverb urges “fear less, hope more; eat less, chew more; whine less, breathe more; talk less, say more; hate less, love more; And all good things are yours.”

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 115 members. Not counting our speaker, we also welcomed three visiting Rotarians (Laurie Baumer of Lansing, Sunil Phadke of Pune Cyber City, India and Trey Greene of Detroit) and thirteen guests. Prior to the luncheon, a total of 24 members met in four committee meetings (Membership Development, Golf, Social and Strategic Planning).

Other Notes of Interest

Birthdays: June 18 – Bob Kerry and Sandy Rupp; June 19 – Todd Roberts; June 22 – Chuck Allmand and Jim Cook; June 23 – Jim Berlucchi, Bob Debrodts and Paul Yhouse.

Make-up Cards from Roving Rotarians: Brad Bowersox (Ann Arbor North on May 24); Nels Olson (Frankfort on June 6) and Jack Walker (Damariscotta Newcastle ME on June 5). Last chance: 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?

Rotarians in the News: Nothing significant this week but several members (Joe Fitzsimmons, Roger Fraser, Heidi Grix, Todd Roberts) were featured in recent local publications. For these clippings and other current items, including the latest District Newsletter (see article below), please review the bulletin board next to the check-in desk as you arrive at this week's meeting. In addition, don't forget to stop by the "Rotary Shares" table in the hallway. Feel free to place items that you feel may be of interest to your fellow Rotarians.

District 6380 Newsletter for May Now On-line: This issue includes some thoughts from DG Gerry Jackson on the upcoming annual transition and the Four Way Test. Also on the front page is an article on the AATA bus with the Rotary wrap. Inside are articles on next year's GSE with District 2440 in Turkey and the Presidential Conference on membership growth coming up July 27-28 in South Bend. Stop by <http://www.rotary6380.org/> for the complete issue and for other items of district news.

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 52 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, is 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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