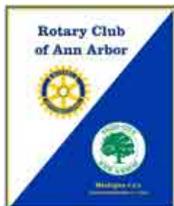


Harpoon for the Meeting of October 10, 2007

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October is "Vocational Service" month on the Rotary calendar.

The Program for Wednesday, October 10, 2007

Speaker: John Beilein, Head Basketball Coach, The University of Michigan Men's Basketball Program

Title: "Perspectives on Michigan Basketball, 2007--A Look to the Future"

"It's Hoops Time!!" We welcome Coach Beilein who will give us a candid overview of what's on the horizon for the Michigan Basketball Program this year. Hear Coach Beilein preview the basketball team on a position-by-position basis. He will be upfront and most engaging as he previews what lies ahead in the Big 10 basketball schedule and beyond. Let's give a rousing "welcome" and a "GO BLUE" to Coach Beilein and his team.

Introducer: Bob Bolak

Song Leader: Dave Keosaian

Accompanist: Deanna Relyea

Looking Ahead

October 17 (Wednesday noon) - Melissa Kesterson, Executive Director, Project Grow Community Gardens will speak. Her topic is, "Project Grow: Growing Community." At 7:30am this morning, the Club's Board of Directors will meet at the Washtenaw United Way building on Platt Road.

October 24 (Wednesday noon) – District Governor Audrey Chevalier will visit our club and address us after lunch. Our Board of Directors will meet with her at 10:30am that morning in the Union's Welker Room.

October 31 (Wednesday noon) - Jochen Schacht, Director of the Kresge Hearing Research Institute and U-M Professor of Biological Chemistry in Otolaryngology will ask, "Can You Hear Me?"

The complete program schedule for October programs is on-line at <http://annarborrotary.org/october.shtml>. The programs for November will be posted at the end of the October.

November 8 (Thursday 8:00) – Millie Danielson of the Social Committee has tickets for us to see "The Baker's Wife." They are \$10 apiece. See her at our upcoming luncheon meetings. The early bird gets the best seat selection.

This would be a great night for the “bowling wives” to get together. The performance is a heart-warming tale of a French provincial village whose passion for bread is surpassed only by gossip and marital feuding. A new baker and his YOUNGER wife provide both.

November 8 (Thursday 6:00) – District 6380 Foundation Gala at the Club Venetian in Madison Heights. Details are on the district website at <http://www.rotary6380.org/>.

News from the Meeting of October 3, 2007

Millie Danielson for the Social Committee said there would be no event for October, but that tickets could be purchased for Performance Network’s presentation of “Baker’s Wife,” a musical, on Nov. 8. Tickets are \$10.

We’re hosting visitors from Russia on October 10. For more info, see the article below and check out <http://www.rotaryrussian.com>.

Nominations for new members are due October 4. And don’t forget October 24 when district governor Audrey Chevalier will grace us with an official visit.

Rotarians in the news, as reported by Barbara Debrodt, included Ken Fischer, with a huge front page spread in The Ann Arbor News marking his 20th anniversary at University Musical Society; Susan Lackey, who received a major award from the Michigan Economic Association for excellence in economic development education; and Jud Hoffman, pictured in The News as among the first patrons of the Café Habana.

Notes from the Meeting of October 3, 2007



Ray Rabidoux

Steve Dobson introduced Ray Rabidoux, President and CEO, Glacier Hills, Inc. on the subject “Aging: Everybody’s Doing It!” He began his remarks by quipping, “what’s the best thing about being 104? No peer pressure!” Jokes aside, Ray said that in 2005, the 65-plus population in the U.S. numbered 36.8 million, an increase of 3.2 million from 1995. The population group 45-64 increased 40 percent in the decade 1995-2005. The Age Wave is coming!

Alzheimer’s Disease is the largest growth segment projected in older adults. State and federal Medicaid spending for AD is estimated to increase from \$19 billion in 2000 to \$118 billion in 2050. Ray said AD research is an urgent national priority. In Washtenaw County, the 65-plus population is expected to grow 300 percent from 2000 to 2030; that population will grow from 8 percent of the county population to 16 percent. He listed the types of programs and facilities options available to older adults, including government-subsidized housing for low-income seniors and market rate residential for older adults, but with no health care. Ray said there was “incredible growth” in private home care services, but that there was a projected shortage of nurses, care and service workers.

Ray praised the philanthropy and “great spirit of volunteerism” that characterizes Washtenaw County. “I salute all the volunteers and staff who serve older adults in our county,” he said.

President Al’s Thought for the Day: “Forty is the old age of youth...and fifty is the youth of old age!”

The News and Notes were prepared by Don Faber, Harpoon editor. Fred Beutler provided the photographs.

Meeting Statistics: Our reported attendance at today’s luncheon meeting was 135 members. In addition, we were joined by five guests and two visiting Rotarians (Laurie Baumer of Lansing and former Ann Arbor Rotarian Beth Walker of Brighton). Just prior to the luncheon, a total of 11 members participated in a meeting of the International Project Committee. Also, the registration cards from September 26 were found. At that meeting, we had seven guests and two visiting Rotarians (former Ann Arbor Rotarian Lloyd Bastion of Clinton and Julie Davidson of the U-M Rotaract Club).

Other Notes of Interest

Birthdays: October 10 - Laura Lonergan; October 11 – Bob Moenart; October 12 – Nick Rutan and Carl Schmult.

Make-up Cards from Roving Rotarians: Brad Bowersox (Michigan Center in September); Hal Flynn (Flint on September 28); Mark Ouimet (Dexter on September 20, Chelsea on September 25 and October 2) and Jack Walker (Damariscotta-Newcastle ME on September 25 and October 2).

September District 6380 Newsletter Now Posted: It is on the District website at www.rotary6380.org and available on the bulletin board at our weekly meeting. In addition to the DG's message about New Generations month, you can read an article from U-M Rotaractor Jamie Walsh about Interact, learn about plans for the Russian PEP and see Phil Alexander honored for his international efforts.

October Rotarian Magazine: Each member should have received this issue in the last few days. The major article is about the 2008 RI convention in Los Angeles next June but there is still room for a few other stories, including one on the ShelterBox project and interviews with the CEO of Goodwill industries and a rising Chicago architect.

The First Days with our Russian Visitors [a report from Jim Reece]: The Russian restaurateur professional education program got off to a good start Thursday evening with the on-time arrival of the delegates' flight and flawless transportation arrangements from Metro to City Hall, where the home hosts met their delegates. After at least an attempt to sleep in Friday morning, all of the delegates were delivered on time to Palmer Commons for the orientation session led by the CCI facilitator, Natasha Ivanova, and Jim Reece.



On Saturday morning, Ross School strategy professor Aneel Karnani gave a well-received presentation on strategic management. The group was then transported to The Big House for the UM-EMU game. Four groups entered the field through the tunnel: the UM and EMU teams, the game officials, and the Russian

delegates! This was a special surprise made possible by Rotarian Fritz Seyferth, who spent the last seven of his 21 years with the athletic department as executive associate athletic director.

The delegates spent Sunday with their home hosts. Monday's sessions include an industry overview, a panel discussion with three restaurant owners, including Roy More, and a session by Ross School faculty member Andrew Lawlor, a small-business expert and former owner of the Detroit Chop House. All day Tuesday will be spent at Zingerman's professional management training enterprise called "ZingTrain." Following a Wednesday morning presentation by Ross marketing professor Thomas Kinnear, the delegates will join us at lunch, after which they will get a briefing on Rotary International from Fred Beutler and Hal Flynn.

Background: The Russian delegation is part of Productivity Enhancement Program (PEP), which is a nationwide program that brings Russian entrepreneurs and managers to the United States for intensive industry-specific management training programs and cultural exchange. The training program aids Russia's economy by providing small and medium-sized businesses with the knowledge and tools to be successful, including strategy and marketing as well as operations. The home stays and cultural program are designed to increase cross-cultural understanding and build personal connections between our countries. Visit the web site at <http://www.RotaryRussian.com> for more information and photos of the welcome, orientation and Friday party.

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. One recent posting is about the 2008 Convention in Los Angeles: <http://www.rotary.org/events/conventions/2008/>.
- **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 and Macomb in Michigan and Kent in Ontario. The district's monthly newsletter and other individual articles of district-wide interest are posted here. One of the latest additions is the posting of the RI Strategic Plan for 2007-2010.

• **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 a link to the website for the Russian visitors, 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/>

Flags, Flags, Flags: Pasted in below are photos of some of the flags that have been brought in by visiting Rotarians or by our members who have traveled to other clubs. Thanks for Fred Beutler for his photographic talents.



“Rotary Shares”