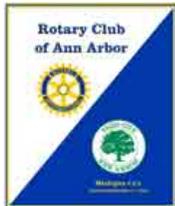


Harpoon for the Meeting of April 23, 2008

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April is "Magazine Month" on the Rotary calendar.

The Program for Wednesday, April 23, 2008

Speaker: Marvin Pettway, U-M Supervisor of Forestry & Horticulture

Topic: Tree Campus within a Tree City

The University more than does its part to make Ann Arbor a truly arboreal environment, but that doesn't just happen. Trees and all other natural features of the campuses require lots of planning, planting, pruning, etc. We will get the big picture on these matters from the man in charge of it all, and also meet and say thanks to members of the City Forestry Department who have been our partners in the club's tree planting projects.

Host/introducer: Chuck Olson

Song Leader: Shelley MacMillan

Accompanist: Joan Knoertzer

Looking Ahead

April 25-27 (Friday through Sunday) – Rotary World Peace Summit in Windsor, Ontario. For details and registration information, go to <http://www.rotarypeacesummit.org/>.

April 26 (Saturday morning) – Tree planting. Southeast Area Park (NW corner of Platt and Ellsworth). Arrive at 8:30 with gloves and a shovel. Sign up at a luncheon meeting or contact Terry Linden at rtryterry@empireofideas.us or 662-7559. Spouses and guests are welcome to join us for digging, drinks and donuts.

April 27 (Sunday at 4:00) – U-M Senior Student Showcase at Mendelssohn Theater. The Social Committee has reserved space for club members and their guests. Susan Smith Gray will be hosting light refreshments afterwards. The deadline to make reservations has passed but you can contact Susan or Shelley MacMillan if you have any questions.

April 30 (Wednesday at noon) – President-elect Jim Cook will lead us in a discussion of our Strategic Plan

Program details for the April luncheon meetings are on-line at: <http://annarborrotary.org/april.shtml>.

May 2-4 (Friday morning through Sunday noon) – District 6380 Conference at Wheels Inn in Chatham, Ontario. Details and registration information are on the District website at <http://www.rotary6380.org/>.

News from the Meeting of April 16, 2008

Several Rotarians asked for Art Holst's invocation, and so here it is:

"I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day
I'd rather one would walk with me than merely show the way
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear
Fine counsel is important but example's always clear
And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creeds
For to see the good in action is what everybody needs
I can soon learn how to do it, if you'll let me see it done
I can watch your hands in action though your tongue too fast may run
And the lectures you deliver may be very wise and true
But I'd rather learn my lesson by observing what you do
For I may misunderstand you and the fine advice you give
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live."

Art concluded with "international group study programs – Polio Plus – scholarships – tree plantings – Service above Self – The fellowship of Rotary touches our hearts. What we do in Rotary touches the world. "

President AI hailed our many important guests, including district governor-elect nominee Judy Garver and fifteen visiting Rotarians.

Noam Kimelman, incoming U-M Rotaract president, briefed us on Rotaract activities, including the "water for the Philippines" fundraiser which is continuing.

Mark Foster introduced our newest Junior Rotarians from Huron High: Ethan Sagher, Britne'e Simpson and Margarite Matossian.

Paul Yhouse reminds us that the Rotate Your Food campaign is June 2-14. Food Gatherers distributes food to 150 local nonprofits.

Ian Glassford says we have a need for "many more" tree planters for the event April 26 at Southeast Park.

Notes from the Meeting of April 16, 2008



The GSE Team from Turkey



Flag Exchange - GSE Team and Local Rotarians

Bill Dunifon and Spaulding Clark earned special praise for successfully orchestrating the visit of the Group Study Exchange team from Turkey, district 2440. When it was their turn to speak, our guests Goksin Akcali, team leader, and Aycan Ozertay, Hasan Ayvali, Deniz Surupcu and Ozan Carga gave us a fine snapshot of themselves, their families and their beautiful country. There are 250 Rotary clubs in Turkey, with about 900 female Rotarians. The

first Rotary club in Turkey was formed in Ankara in 1954. After leaving Ann Arbor, our Turkish guests will go on to visit Rotary clubs in Ontario. An exchange of Rotary flags concluded an entertaining and educational program.

President Al's Thought for the Day comes from Rotary International founder Paul Harris: "There are no faster or firmer friendships than those between people who believe in the Spirit of Rotary."

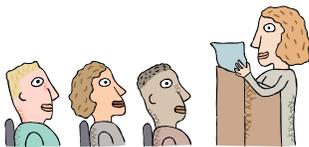
The News and Notes were compiled and reported by Don Faber, Harpoon editor. Fred Beutler provided the photographs.

Meeting Statistics: Our reported attendance at today's luncheon meeting in the ballroom was 149 members. We had three guests, two U-M Rotaractors (Noam Kimelman and Jamie Walsh) and 16 visiting Rotarians (John Copeland of Ann Arbor North, Judy Garver of West Bloomfield, Bob Greenough of Ann Arbor North, John Hammond of Lakeshore St. Joseph, John Hansen of Dexter, Rick Jarzembowski of Ann Arbor North Chris Juillet of Ann Arbor North, Beth Marshall of Ann Arbor Sunrise, Ayo Onafuwa of Ann Arbor North, Sujit Pandit of Ann Arbor North, Dick Rosenfeld of Jackson, Carinia Sennov of Dexter, Ray Singer of Ann Arbor Sunrise, Lori Sprague of Dexter, Bruce Stone of Ann Arbor Sunrise and Phil Zepeda of Ann Arbor North). A total of 24 members attended two committee meetings (Program and Strive) just before lunch. Also reported was that eight Ann Arbor Rotarians attended the U-M Rotaract's Filipino Night on March 30 and that six Rotarians participated in a total of 30 sessions at other Rotaract functions during the school year.

Other Notes of Interest

Birthdays: April 20 – Barbara Debrodts and Art Holst; April 22 – Mark Ouimet; **April 23 – Larry Hastie;** April 24 – John Debbink and Bob Mull; April 26 – Bruce Benner.

Make-up Cards and Reports from Roving Rotarians: Elaine Alexander (Ann Arbor Sunrise on April 4, Dexter on April 10, Ann Arbor North on April 10 and Lyon Area on April 16); Phil Alexander (Ann Arbor North on April 10); Brad Bowersox (Ann Arbor North on March 6); Barbara Bryant (Scottsdale AZ on March 31); Susan Lackey (Chelsea on March 25); Laura Lonergan (Novi on April 3) and Heidi Vitso (Calumet-Laurium-Keweenaw on April 9).



Clague School Career Day Needs Presenters: One of Rotary's four Avenues of Service is "Vocational Service." One of our Club's aims is "helping kids succeed." Clague Career Day on the morning of Friday, May 23 will allow interested Rotarians to hit both targets at once. The school is seeking persons who are willing to share their lifetime work experiences in a single 25 minute presentation, given to three different classrooms of students. For details on the program, please contact Linda Meneghini, Clague Career Day Coordinator, at lrmeneghini@msn.com or (734) 355-9384.

Spring Fling News: Thanks to all of you who blocked out the evening of Friday, May 16 for our club's annual Spring Fling! The details are now available. The location will be the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum at 220 East Ann Street. The time will be 6:00 to 8:30pm. Rotarians, significant others, children, grandchildren and other guests are welcome to enjoy strolling supper with beverages. The prices are: \$15 for children 6-12 and \$35 for teenagers and adults. Kids five and under are free. Make your reservations with Susan Smith Gray. See her at a meeting or contact her by email to smithsms@umich.edu or by phone to (734) 834-0374.



Rotary Bowling Update [from Kegling Korrespondent Paul Glendon]: Sports fans, take notice: this Thursday will be the last night of the Service Club Bowling League 2007-08 Season, so if there's to be a big Club members/fans turnout to support our enthusiastic Blue and Gold Keglars this season, this is your last chance. Competition begins in earnest at 6:40 p.m. at Colonial Lanes on Industrial Highway. See you there?

Now, for the news of recent competition. Final league standings for the second half of the season were determined by last Thursday's matches. The hard tryin' Hawaiians of the Gold Team prevailed handily over the Big K team from Downtown Kiwanis, taking 33 of 40 points. That solidified Gold's hold on

sixth place in the 14-team league, the same as in the first half of the season, highest among the four actual service club teams, and a mere ten points behind the fifth place team, Hooters of Novi! (No, that's not a service club.) The Blue Team did not do so well (details need not be discussed), but its highest-average bowler, Peter Wright, distinguished himself personally with a 600+ series two weeks ago and two 200+ games the week before. Dan "Scrapiron" Romanchik recovered from a brief late-season slump with strong outings for Gold the past two weeks, including a 222 game two weeks ago and winning three of four points from the highest-average Big K bowler last Thursday. Also notable has been Gold Captain Bob "Snipper" Dascola's steady improvement during the second half of the season, landing him in first place in the entire league for percentage of games won. Blue Team stalwart President Al held that honor for much of the first half of the season.

Regular members of the two teams throughout the season have been: Dick Elwell, Al Burdi, Norman Herbert, Russ Reister and Peter Wright for the Blue Team; Scrapiron Romanchik, Sweet Lou Callaway, Snipper Dascola, Hammer Glendon and The Professor, Chuck Olson, for the Gold Team. Frequent substitutes (on either team) have been Bill "Astronomer" Stegath, Jack Walker, Wayne Colquitt and Brooks Sitterley. Recruitment continues for next year, especially for female Rotarian bowlers . . . with sufficient interest there might even be a third team. Rotary Green perhaps?



New Meeting Assignments have been posted: Ingrid Deininger and Lois Jelneck have assembled the list of invokers, greeters and attendance-takers for May through October. The list is posted as a .pdf file on the club website (click on [Meeting Assignments](#) in the blue box on the right side of the home page). Paper copies will also be available on the attendance table at upcoming meetings. Please review the list for the date your assignment. If you cannot attend your assigned meeting, please trade with another member and contact Ingrid or Lois to let them know of the change.

Ann Arbor Briarwood Club has New Location and Name: The club will now be meeting at Weber's Inn. It will retain its day and time (Fridays at 7:15am) and continue to welcome visiting Rotarians. With the change in location, the club has also changed its name to Ann Arbor Sunrise. The new web address is <http://www.annarborsunrise.org>. The new email address is annarborsunrise@gmail.com.

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, Member Access, the RI Annual Convention and the upcoming International Peace Forum in Windsor (on-line at <http://www.rotarypeacesummit.org/>).
- **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 53 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.



- **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 our 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://uofmrotaract.wordpress.com/>
- **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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