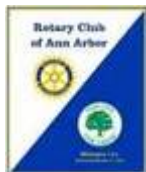


Harpoon for the Meeting of October 14, 2009

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October is Vocational Service Month on the Rotary Calendar

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Speaker: Judy Garver, Rotary District Governor

Topic: Challenges & Opportunities for District 6380 in 2009-10

Do you know what RI’s Future Vision project is? Did you know that District 6380 is one of 100 Future Vision Pilot Districts worldwide? Do you know what that means for district and club projects and activities? When District Governor Judy makes her official visit she will answer these questions (and any others you may have) and discuss her own vision, goals and plans for District 6380 in her gubernatorial year.

Introducer: Lou Callaway

Song Leader: Ingrid Sheldon

Accompanist: Tom Strode

Upcoming Events

Oct 14--Committee Meetings:

Social Committee: Susan Smith Gray, smithsms@umich.edu

New Member Nominations Due: go to <http://www.annarborrotary.org>, login (upper left corner; generic “a2rotary” login) and pull down “Membership” to Recommend a Member; for help, contact stewart.nelson@uferinsurance.com or mholland@umich.edu

Oct 17 and Oct 31- Tree Planting, Ian Glassford, ian.t.glassford@jpmchase.com (See below)

Oct 21– Luncheon Meeting: John Beilein, U-M Men’s Basketball Coach, talks about “Progress Report & Season Preview for Michigan Basketball”

Nov 13 – Social Event: Docent Tour and Post “Dig” Supper

Notes from the Meeting of October 7

The tree planting particulars are firmed up: Oct. 17 at Mary Beth Doyle Park and Oct. 31 at Sylvan Park, both plantings beginning at 8:30 a.m. See Ian Glassford for more details.

The District Governor is coming Oct. 14 and a full round of activities is planned. At the luncheon meeting, we’ll toast Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, and there may be more surprises.



Our New Generations focus continued with Wendy Corell, updating us on the work of the STRIVE committee. We went from partners to mentors, she said, and “we’ve dramatically improved our utilization rate”, meaning the scholarship money the students receive

Emeritus status, the primary criterion of which is a long connection with our club and Rotary International, was conferred upon two deserving members, Jerry Hodge and Bob Pratt. Jerry has had a 26 year membership, while Bob has been a Rotarian since 1964. Ingrid Deininger, Lois Jelneck and Milo White participated in the ceremony at which each honoree received a Rotary jacket.



Program Notes from the meeting of October 7



Mike Nold introduced Ken Nisbet, executive director, U-M Technology Transfer, on “Spurring Innovation and Growth Through Tech Transfer.” With \$1 billion in research money to play with, Ken’s job is to take that money to technologies that can be utilized. Ken said technology was alive at U-M, with many people skilled at marketing and forming companies. “We get 300 invention disclosures annually,” he said, “and we spun out eight new business startups in fiscal year 2009.” The biggest issues for Michigan include early stage funding, attracting talent, improving our entrepreneurial culture and promoting economic diversification. The U-M’s acquisition of the Pfizer complex helps us, Ken said, and “we’re trying to develop this asset. We’re planting a lot of seeds.”

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Paul Harris, writing in the Rotarian magazine of Aug., 1924, wrote: “Man need never fear the coming of a day when there will be nothing new to discover. The wonders of the cosmos seem to provide an inexhaustible supply.”

Notes by Don Faber, Harpoon editor; Photos by Dave Felbeck

Notes of Interest

Taj Hosting & Fellowship Society of Agra, India invites Rotarians and their friends visiting India as members of a GSE team, Polio Plus team, or any Matching Grant Projects, to Agra to see the Taj Mahal. Rotarians of Agra will be happy to host the visitors for a couple of days in their homes. If Rotarians wish to participate in the Polio Immunization Day in Agra and the vicinity, contact www.tajhostingagra.com. Days are scheduled as follows: November 22, 2009, December 13, 2009, January 24, 2010, February 21, 2010, and March 21, 2010.

Ann Arbor Rotarian Joe Marr Travelling to Rotary District 7690 to Offer Professional Seminars to Help PolioPlus: On Monday, October 19, Ann Arbor Rotarian Joe Marr will join fellow Sandler Training® professionals and Rotary District 7690 in holding a series of sessions for Greensboro and Highpoint, North Carolina business executives seeking to increase sales and improve productivity. All proceeds (goal of \$50,000) will be donated to the Rotary Foundation PolioPlus program which seeks to match the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation donation of \$355M to eradicate polio. The event will be held at the Koury Convention Center and is expected to draw 500 business people to learn sales, management and leadership best practices from Sandler Trainers (www.trainingforsales.com)

Here at home for the month of October, Joe's Sandler Training - Ann Arbor (www.sandlertrainingannarbor.com) will donate \$20 to PolioPlus in the name of anyone who refers a business owner/decision maker to attend their October 15th or October 29th Executive Luncheon seminars held in Ann Arbor. To make a referral, go to <http://www.urefer.com/referral-program/marrsales#>

Meeting Statistics: The regular weekly luncheon meeting on October 7 was attended by 129 members, two guests and two visiting Rotarians (Byron Hestevold of Marathon FL and Paul Geiger of Birmingham). Just before lunch, a total of eleven members participated in a meeting of the International Humanitarian Projects Committee. Note to members attending committee meetings: In addition to registering your participation at the meeting, please sign in on another orange sheet at your luncheon table to be sure you receive both attendance credits.

Makeup Cards from Roving Rotarians: Frode Maaseidvaag (Ballard/Seattle WA on September 22), Chuck Olson (Milan on October 6), Mark Ouimet (Chelsea on October 6) and Joanne Pierson (Ann Arbor Sunrise on October 2).

Monthly Membership Report to the District: The club started the month with 315 members. After the resignations of Pam Horiszny and Ruth Knoll, we finished the month of September with 313 members (not counting our four honoraries). Average attendance for the five meetings during the month was 48%.

Birthdays: Oct. 12—Carl Schmult, Oct. 16—Karen Valvo

District 6380 Newsletter Now On-line: Please click on the link below to open the September issue of the District Newsletter:
<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/6380/html/71964/District%206380%20News%20September%2>

[02009.pdf](#). A paper copy of this edition will be posted on the Club's bulletin board at Wednesday's meeting.

Links of Interest: Below is a list of links to various websites that will be of interest to Rotarians.

Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org> . The RI home page has links to About Rotary, The Rotary Foundation, Club Locator and Member Access.



Zone 29: <http://www.zones28-29.org> Our club is in Zone 29. The zone has 17 districts and covers portions of Maryland, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ontario.

District 6380: <http://www.rotary6380.org> . This is the website for our district which includes 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://www.annarborrotary.org> . This is our Club's website with background material and current information including the current Annual Report, Strategic Plan, New Member Nomination Form, Committee Descriptions, Club and Golf Outing brochures, synopses of upcoming programs and an archive of current and past Harpoons. Find our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=57896502278&ref=ts> Also; find our meeting podcasts at <http://www.annarborrotary.org/news-events/podcasts>

Our club also sponsors the following Rotaract and Interact Clubs:

U-M Rotaract Club: <http://www.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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