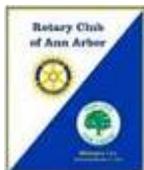


## Harpoon for the Meeting of November 25, 2009

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## Program for November 25, 2009

**Speakers: Jack Lessenberry, Journalist and WUOM Commentator**

**Topic: What is the Future of Newspapers?**

With the demise of *The Ann Arbor News* and birth pangs of *AnnArbor.com* fresh in our minds, what could be more timely than an expert's view of the future of American newspapers? With almost thirty years of print journalism experience, including a long stint at *The Detroit News*, and a journalism professorship at Wayne State University, WUOM commentator Jack Lessenberry is ideally situated to help us understand, if not solve, all the issues imperiling the print wing of the fourth estate.

**Introducer:** Don Faber

**Song Leader:** Terry Foster

**Accompanist:** Joan Knoertzer

### Upcoming Events

#### Nov 25 – Committee Meetings

Rotaract: Barb Hiltz, [bshiltz@yahoo.com](mailto:bshiltz@yahoo.com); Audrey Schwimmer, [aschwimm@umich.edu](mailto:aschwimm@umich.edu)

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#### Dec 2-- Noon Luncheon: Annual Club Assembly

The Annual Club Assembly is a time to reflect on where we've been and where we are going as a club. We'll review milestones and also elect Officers and Directors.

**Dec 10**—Rotate Your Food kickoff meeting for 2010 campaign, 11 am; Todd Kephart, [toddkephart@hotmail.com](mailto:toddkephart@hotmail.com)



Jim Irwin--need we say more?

### **Notes from the Meeting of November 18**

The board of directors met and reported that as of Oct. 31, 2009, we have 307 members.

The Kelsey Museum and Post-Dig Party were great successes; thanks to Barbara Bryant for hosting the dinner at her home.

The new membership slogan from Rotary International is “Each Rotarian: Reach One, Keep One.” Sounds like a good New Year’s resolution for 2010. And turning the spotlight on ourselves for a moment, President Lou urged that we take time to care about each other, especially if we know a fellow Rotarian may be going through tough times.

Don Devine updated us on a Humanitarian Service project (see report notes below).

Thad Carr has turned 90, and we signed a card for him (see below); Mike Marich is recuperating and can be reached at 332-3466 or Room 209 at Glacier Hills. We signed a card for him, too.

George Burns, on turning 90: “I can do most of the things I did at 22....which tells you how pathetic I was,” courtesy of Bill Stegath.

### **Notes from the Program of November 18**



Michael Cole introduced Thomas Kinnear, Entrepreneurial Studies Professor, U-M Business School, speaking on “The Role of Entrepreneurship in Building a Regional Innovation-Based Economy.” Companies around here die without venture capital, Tom said, “it’s the oil that lubricates the engine.” Venture capital is the great hope for the future of Michigan as it needs to transition to a knowledge-based economy. We’re way behind California and Massachusetts, but “getting better,” according to Tom. Ann Arbor is the major venture capital city in Michigan, with Grand Rapids, Marquette, and Kalamazoo being other “epicenters.” In an economy in which we need technology, entrepreneurs

and capital, the operative word, he said, is leverage. “There’s a lot going on in medical science and the life sciences,” Tom said. Information technology and homeland security are also being funded around here. “Mine is a message of hope,” he said, “but hope is not a strategy. We need capital, risk-taking entrepreneurs, patience and a cultural change.”

Thought for the day: “Of all the hundred and one ways in which men can make themselves

useful to society, undoubtedly the most available and often the most effective are within the spheres of their own occupations.” – Paul Harris, 1912.

*Notes prepared by Don Faber; photos by Frederick J. Beutler*

**Meeting Statistics:** The regular weekly luncheon meeting on November 18 was attended by 158 members (another huge turnout). We also had two visiting Rotarians (Jim Gilmore and Lynda Chase of Livingston Sunrise) and eight guests. Early in the day, a total of 13 members took part in the Board of Directors meeting. Just before lunch, a total of 17 members participated in meetings of the Program and STRIVE committees.

**Makeup Cards from Roving Rotarians:** Makeup Cards from Roving Rotarians: Fred and Sue Beutler (San Miguel de Allende-Midday in Guanajuato, Mexico), Brad Bowersox (Ann Arbor North on October 22, Chelsea on November 3 and Saline on November 5) and Mark Ouimet (Dexter on November 12). Note to Mark: It appears that Brad is becoming a contender for the title, "Most Make-ups by an Ann Arbor Rotarian." :-)

### **Other Notes of Interest**

**Report on MG Project 70500 in the Philippines:** We're partnering with the Rotary Club of Calauag in the Philippines (an area of 88 villages about 100 miles south of Manila on the island of Luzon) to educate and train local high school teachers and indigent high school graduates in basic computer skills and productivity software tools, knowledge critical for career success. The classes will include at least 50-hours of hands-on experience in addition to lectures. We did a similar project for indigent high school graduates with the Calauag Club in 2003, and I have kept in touch with our contact there. When the project was evaluated a few years later, it was termed very effective.

Our club is contributing \$6,250. After additional contributions from the Calauag Club, the two Rotary Districts and the Rotary Foundation, the entire project cost is \$16,500 (that's 2.64 times what our club is contributing). Total cost per student is only \$125 and therefore the project will educate 132 people. This is but one example of how our Club's contributions to International Humanitarian Projects are improving the lives of a great many people worldwide. *(From a report by Don Devine)*

**Summary of Board of Directors' Meeting of November 18, 2009:** Recently revised versions of the Policy Regarding Members with Past Due Financial Obligations and the STRIVE Scholarship Budgeting Policy were approved. The active membership count on October 31 was 307, 2 more than at the same date in 2008. Letters of resignation were accepted from Robert Hatcher and Jim Zwolensky, who have both moved. Following the revised policy, notice of membership termination letters were sent to five members delinquent with their dues. Our finances continue to be sound, and actual income is within \$87 of budget. Carol Sewell was appointed as a Trustee of the Endowment to fill a partial term ending in July 2010. The Club's Endowment portfolio value finished the month of October at \$1,042,278. Nine new members were inducted on November 11. Rotaract and Interact Clubs are active and held joint activities as well as taking part in our October Tree Planting days. The Social Committee reported that close to 60 attended the Kelsey Museum tour and post-dig dinner on November 13. Thirty-four Rotarians participated in the second fall tree planting on October 31 and were joined by many Interact and Rotaract members, resulting in 51 trees being planted in only 2 hours. We have received notice from the District that a simplified grant project proposal for a small irrigation

system in Cusco, Peru has been approved. The Website Committee was authorized to explore the potential of using PayPal on the site to facilitate receiving donations from non-Rotarians for support of Rotary projects such as PolioPlus and STRIVE.

### **Baked Chicken with Sour Cream and Poppy Seed Sauce for 16**

*Adapted by Barbara Everitt Bryant for her "Post-Dig" party*



Cut 8 boneless, half chicken breasts in 1-inch cubes; put chicken in bag with flour, salt, pepper and shake to coat.

Turn oven to 375 degrees. Put 1/2 stick (4 oz) oleo in a 10"x14" pan to melt, remove pan from oven, leaving oven on.

Add flour-coated chicken cubes to melted oleo, tossing to coat chicken with oleo.

Cover with sauce of mixture of 2 cans cream of chicken soup, 8 oz. sour cream.

Bake 25 minutes (can freeze mixture in pan at this stage for serving later) **To serve:**

Thaw pan of chicken, if frozen and top with 1/2 box crushed Cheez-It White Cheddar crackers, mixed with 1 Tbsp poppy seeds. Bake at 375 degrees until hot (20-25 minutes)

Note: At the "Post Dig" supper, 4 1/2 pans served 60 "excavators"



**Birthdays:** Nov 24 – Mark Heusel; Nov 27 – Rick Reid; Nov 2--Cynthia Sorensen

**Thad Carr, new nonagenarian of the club, in a Member Directory of Yore  
He joined the club in 1977**

**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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