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The Program for June 14, 2006

Speaker: Stephanie Kadel Taras, Ph.D., Time Pieces Personal Biographies (Owner)

Topic: Saving Lives: How to Capture Your Family Stories for All Time

How much do you really know about the lives of your parents and grandparents? How much have you told your family about your childhood and life experiences? This entertaining presentation will offer practical tips to help you preserve these life stories for the next generations. Dr. Kadel Taras is a professional biographer who writes the extraordinary stories of everyday people. Before you head off for summer family gatherings, she will get you thinking about the stories you want to capture and share.

Host/Introducer: Cynthia Sorensen

Song Leader: Henry Johnson

Accompanist: Tom Strode

Looking Ahead

June 21 (Wednesday) - Laura Rubin, Director, Huron River Watershed Council will present, "The State of The Huron; What We Can Do."

June 28 (Wednesday) – At this meeting, we will make the leadership changes that will carry us into the 2006-2007 Rotary year. The Program Committee is planning the program, "A Musical Frenzy and More!" On this date, you can also expect to receive your dues bill for the coming year. Payment will be expected by the July.

Copies of the complete listing of programs for June will be available as a handout on the attendance table at Wednesday's meeting and is also on-line at <http://annarborrotary.org/june.htm>.

News from the Meeting of June 7

Our regular "substitute," President Norman, was back at the podium today. He thanked Deb Polich for filling in last week. Deb, by the way, is enjoying a nice write-up in "Trains" magazine, recognizing her role as President and CEO of Artrain USA.

A hearty Rotarian thank you to all who participated in the last tree planting, and to Ian Glassford, Mr. Planter himself.

An auction item donation form for the annual golf outing was distributed. As always, interesting items are solicited. Forms

will be available at upcoming meetings or from John White.

The “Rotate your Food” bins are out at various offices and businesses in the community. They’ll be out there for two weeks. See the club website at <http://annarborrotary.org/rotateyourfood2006.htm> for the various locations and more information.

New, emphasis on new, Ambassadorial Scholar hosts are needed. See the article later in this newsletter for further details.

Among Rotarians in the news, Scott Westerman was given the Friends of Education Award by Delta Kappa Gamma International, Alpha Rho chapter of Ann Arbor.

The memorial service for Bob Hughes was June 10 in the Michigan League Ballroom. Harm Buning’s memorial service at First Congregational Church was also last week.



Milo White and four of our scholarship recipients

Milo White introduced four of our Rotary scholarship winners. Louis Kraus from Gabriel Richard High School will be attending Albion College; he hopes to become a lawyer. Also from Gabriel Richard, Molly Blakemore will attend the U-M; her interest in nursing. From Huron High School, Mary Rose Giles is U-M-bound, headed for LS & A. Finally, Julia Hawley from Greenhills High School will be going to U-M

with an interest in marketing. Congratulations to these fine young scholarship winners!



Cheryl Fairbrother

As part of our get to know your nonprofits, member Jack Henke introduced Cheryl Fairbrother, executive director of Arbor Hospice and Home Care. This facility serves a seven-county area. Hospice care is reimbursed by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurance companies. “Hospice starts with the loving care we provide,” said Cheryl. “We’re the last eyes people see. She said the 30 beds in the Residence are full. Hospice offers a wide range of programs and services, including home care, grief counseling for youth and therapists. “We are proud of the compassionate care we offer,” Cheryl said. Arbor Hospice, in business since 1984, may be reached at 1-888-992-CARE or <http://arborhospice.org/>.

Notes from the Program of June 7

Robb Woulfe, executive director of Summer Festival, was slated to be our speaker. Unfortunately, his mother died and Robb was called away to attend to the funeral. We extend our sympathy to him in the loss of his mother.



Jamie Mistry

To take his place, Ingrid Sheldon and a group of other Rotarians (“how many Rotarians does it take to put on a Summer Festival program?”) carried the ball and gave us a Summer Festival preview. Now in its 23rd season, the festival runs from June 16-July 9. Ingrid thanked the University of Michigan for its participation in what has become a great community event. Ingrid also introduced Jamie Mistry (in photo at left), President of the Summer Festival’s Board of Directors.

The performing trio of Mathwon Howard, Bettye Elkins and Jim Kosteva presented the Summer Festival program. Jim mentioned the “tremendous variety, some faces familiar, others not so.” Elvis Costello and the Imposters open the festival on June 13 with a show at Hill Auditorium. Bravo Broadway on the 17th will be best-loved show tunes. “Jungle Jack” Hanna provides family fun on June 18 and June 21 tops out with the Preservation Hall Jazz Band. “Nuff said.



Bettye Elkins, Mathwon Howard and Patricia Garcia

Bettye Elkins took over and touted the Michael Feinstein show, featuring music of the Gershwins, Cole Porter and Jerome Kern. The Reduced Shakespeare Company on June 25 will present “Completely Hollywood” (abridged). Mathwon Howard, improvising off a prepared script, said Diavolo (where extreme sport meets dance) was a top ticket, only exceeded by the Capitol Steps on July 4 who as everybody knows put the “mock” in democracy. The mission of Summer Festival, he said, was to provide widely accessible entertainment.

Patricia Garcia said the Top of the Park venue has been relocated to Ingalls Mall. There, movies will be projected on a large screen with the beautiful Rackham Building as a backdrop. Ingalls Mall is an easy walk from the Power Center. Why Ingalls Mall? "It's a park-like setting, with central location and easy access," Patricia said. And how long will Summer Festival be at the Ingalls Mall site? "We don't know," she said, but suggested patrons just might get to like the location a lot.

The News and Notes this week were compiled by Harpoon Editor Don Faber. Fred Beutler provided the photos.

Meeting Statistics: Our reported attendance at this day's meeting was 127 members. We had two visiting Rotarians and fourteen guests (including the scholarship attendees mentioned above). The International Projects and Junior Rotarian Committees met just before lunch. A total of 15 members participated. Also reported was the Party for our Interactors on June 2. Nine Rotarians hosted the event.

Other Notes of Interest

Birthdays: June 11 – Bob Meyers and Josie Parker; June 12 – Hugh Morgan; June 13 – Ed Petykiewicz, Russ Reister and Pete Thomassen; June 14 – Susan McClanahan; June 15 – Al Storey; June 16 – Dallas Dort and Dave Keosaian

Make-up Cards from Roving Rotarians: Jack Walker (Damarisotta Newcastle ME on May 30)

Visiting Rotarians: Robert Reizner (Jackson Noon) and Henry Vander Voort (Five Points, Columbia SC)

Interact Club Party: The Interact Committee hosted the Huron and Pioneer Interact Board members at an end-of-year picnic at Gallup Park on Friday June 2. Everyone had a great time and the weather was spectacular. The picnic gave our Interact committee an opportunity to recognize and thank all of our Pioneer and Huron Interact student leaders for a great year of



service. The evening also served as a farewell to our student Interact Board members who are graduating seniors. On to Rotaract at their respective colleges I'm sure!

Special thanks to all the Rotarians in attendance including President Norman Herbert, Ingrid Sheldon, Art Williams, and Paul Glendon. Interact committee members hosting the event included Peter Wright, Dan Romanchik, Karen Kerry, Brandt Coultas, and Ed Wier. Our committee chair, Dick Elwell, is still recovering from knee replacement surgery. Dick was greatly missed, but I'm sure would have appreciated all the fun festivities of the evening. Thanks mostly to the Interact students for a great year, and for continuing to put "Service above Self".

Ambassadorial Scholar Hosts Needed by June 15: Our club still needs hosts for three Ambassadorial Scholars for fall 2006. The incoming students are enrolled at U-M.

Ms. Yeri Cho from Korea will be pursuing an MBA Mgt./Hotel/ Restaurant (one year program);

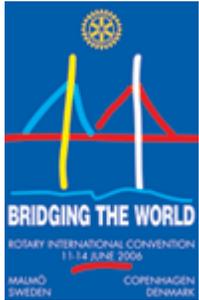
Mr. Bo Moon Jang from Korea will be studying in Political Science/government (one year program); and

Ms. Ueunkum Lee from Korea will be studying Medicine (two year program).

1. Are you willing to serve as a Rotary Host?
2. Scholars will live in U of M or private housing.
3. Hosts are to welcome scholar by email.
4. Arrange to meet scholar at Metro airport.
5. Attend fall scholar and host reception
6. Transport scholars to Rotary club talks.
7. Introduce scholars to our community.

Serving as a host counselor pays many rewards. Phil and Elaine Alexander were recently visited by their scholar and family upon completion of his degree program. For more information on becoming a host, contact John Rasmussen at 995-8483 or a2appraisal@aol.com.

Rotarians in the News: Doug Brouwer was featured in the Community Life section of the Ann Arbor News on Saturday, June 10. He has just published a book, entitled “What am I supposed to do with my life?” With his new book now in stores, Doug becomes the latest “published pastor” in our club. The first was Lloyd C. Douglas (1877-1951), who was the minister at the First Congregational Church and was our club president in 1918-1919. One of his novels, “The Robe,” was published in 1942 and became a blockbuster movie in 1953. Best wishes to Doug for similar success with his book. Be sure to have him sign your copy!



Notes on the 2006 Rotary Convention: President-elect Ingrid left Friday to attend this event. Since she has “roots” in Sweden, she is planning to travel around the area after the convention ends. You can expect her to have some great stories upon her return. As an appetizer, here is an article on the convention from the Rotary website:

“Thousands of Rotarians continue arriving each hour from some 130 countries for the capstone event of Rotary's 101st year, the 2006 RI Convention in Malmö, Sweden, and Copenhagen, Denmark. This meeting stands as the first Rotary convention occurring in two countries and two cities.

To traverse the two cities, Rotarians crossed the Øresund Bridge — an apt symbol for the convention whose theme is Bridging the World — bringing with them pins, typical national dress, and lots of ideas. Interactive discussions and workshops on topics ranging from literacy to The Rotary Foundation are peppered throughout the meeting's agenda.

Special guests will also make this convention an unforgettable experience. Rotary's guests in this global celebration of friendship across borders will include Crown Prince Frederik of Denmark and his wife, Crown Princess Mary, who will add to the pageantry and color of the opening ceremony. The royal couple also plans to visit some of the dozens of Rotary project booths featured at the convention.

Speaking on Monday, 12 June, will be Sister Ethel Normoyle, a Catholic nun and honorary Rotarian, who is acclaimed for her humanitarian work in South Africa. Local Rotary clubs support Sister Ethel's work of helping families in an impoverished community on the outskirts of Port Elizabeth, which is an area ravaged by extreme unemployment, HIV/AIDS, and other problems.

Economist and author Jeffrey D. Sachs gives a keynote address on water, health, and hunger, areas that recently have been a prime focus for Rotary International presidents. Sachs directs the United Nations Millennium Project, which is dedicated to finding strategies to reduce extreme poverty, disease, and hunger by the year 2015.

Two Rotaractors, from Sweden and Denmark respectively, will address Rotarians on Tuesday, 13 June, sharing their vision for how Rotary builds bridges of understanding, friendship, and peace in a world marked by conflict and fear”

Check the Rotary International website (<http://www.rotary.org>) for up-to-date coverage throughout the convention.

“Service above Self”