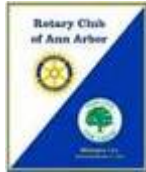


Harpoon for the Meeting of May 27, 2009

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Speaker: Gloria Brooks, President/CEO, Arbor Hospice

Topic: The Sandwich Generation – Adult Children Taking Care of Parents

According to a recent survey, over 40% of baby boomers who have living parents are providing care for them. Many in so-called middle age also are in the middle of a generational sandwich, working full-time, raising children and caring for aging parents. Given our Club’s demographics, there will be plenty of ingredients for this sandwich in the room when Gloria Brooks discusses how to talk with parents about future needs; identify, monitor and evaluate signs of trouble (both with parents and with one’s own “caregiver burden”); and deal with wellness, health care, insurance, housing and legal issues.

Host/introducer: Ann Schriber

Song Leader: Jim Irwin

Accompanist: Tom Strode

Upcoming events

June 3 – Luncheon Meeting: Paul Courant, U-M Librarian & Dean of Libraries talks on “Not Your Mother’s Library Any More – Universities & Libraries in Google-Time”

New Website Now Under Construction—Can You Help?

Mel Drumm, Stew Nelson, John White and Maurita Holland recently began training for populating and maintaining the Club's new website. Developed in



Drupal, a content management system, by the winning contractor, Switchback, the site will incorporate the information from our

current site and a host of new features. Shown here are John, Mel and Stew with Creative Lead and Trainer Cathy Colson.



Have a laptop? Want to help us work on the site? We'd love to have you join us on Monday, June 1, at 2 p.m. No previous experience necessary, just a desire to learn some simple steps. Come work with us. We guarantee you'll have lots of fun and gain a new skill, too. See Stew Nelson (Stewart.Nelson@uferinsurance.com) for details.

Notes from the Meeting of May 20

President Jim reported from the recent Board meeting

- We now have 315 members.
- Unplanned expenses were funded from operating reserves in order to balance the 2008-09 operating budget.
- The Community Service budget is positive due to the success of the fall Golf and Tennis Outing; \$53K was approved for Community Service grants.
- The Endowment Fund has moved up to \$940K. Dave Keosian was elected as Treasurer of the Endowment Committee and Claire Foley replaces Anne Glendon as Secretary. Bernie Bedell, Mary Hays and Norm Herbert were elected as Trustees for 2 year terms.
- \$2K additional funding has been approved for STRIVE, bringing program funding to \$22K.

President Jim described *Rotary at Work*, noting that you can't really know the full joy of being a Rotarian until you've worked on our service projects.

- On a recent Friday night, the Interactors from both Huron and Pioneer got wet at their end-of-year cookout celebration. Ed Wier and the Interact committee did a great job to make the event a success. Photos below!
- Rotarians sported blue *Success By 6* t-shirts and blew up balloons at the *Touch A Truck* event at Briarwood. Helpful literature on all aspects of parenting young children was available.. Thanks to Nishta Bhatia and Norm Herbert for their strong leadership.
- The STRIVE Banquet honored 15 Stone School students who received scholarships to WCC totaling \$22,000 funded by our Club and the Ann Arbor Community Foundation. President Jim expressed thanks to Wendy Correll and Lois Jelneck, the new chairs of the STRIVE Committee, and all who work hard to help these students change directions and realize their full potential. President-elect Lou Callaway delivered a heartfelt keynote address stressing

the value of education and pointing out there is no telling how high you can jump unless you try.

Tony Nam introduced Junior Rotarians Jack Butz, Julian Piper and Rose Bamfo, who will address us next week.

President Jim recognized the contribution that Anne Glendon made to the Endowment Committee.

Notes from the Program of May 21



Dr. Richard Ingram conducted the Pioneer High School A Capella Choir in our annual spring concert. Dr. Ingram, son of our Gene Ingram, has won a variety of conducting awards; he has also received our Club's Distinguished Service Award and is a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow. Six of the A Capella Choir's 49 members will prepare in college for careers in music and a majority plan to participate in music programs in college. Next January the Choir will join the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra in Mozart's *Requiem*. Notes

by Bob Buchanan; Photo by Fred Beutler

Missed a Meeting? Listen to the Podcast at <http://www.annarborrotary.org/podcasts>.

Interact Wraps Up a Great Year with a Soggy Picnic: Huron and Pioneer Interactors celebrated a busy and successful year with a picnic in Gallup Park on May 15. The picnic was an opportunity to recognize the achievements of the out-going Leadership Boards at the Pioneer and Huron Interact Clubs. Departing seniors were praised for their many contributions and received Rotary/Interact inscribed pens as a parting gift. Both Interact Clubs had exceptional senior



leadership - they will be greatly missed. Newly elected Board members were introduced and welcomed to the Rotary family.

Second semester included major activities for both clubs. In honor of National Youth Service Day, Huron Interact planned and organized a student leadership conference on Saturday April 18.

The event, held at Huron High School, included a variety of student leadership development workshops and the students brainstormed future community service projects. Pioneer Interact held a fundraiser at Whirlyball of Ann Arbor and raised \$300 that will be donated to purchase water filters for a community in Nepal. Both Clubs received their Rotary banners this year and will start collecting flags from their wanderings

STRIVE Banquet Honors Scholarship Recipients: Fifteen young people who have struggled with some very tough life issues successfully completed their High School education and, along with their families and teachers, were honored at a banquet at Washtenaw Community College. Our Club has met these students over the last year as Wendy Correll, Lois Jelneck, and Andy Dahlmann lead the Club's STRIVE program. Bob Meyers and Gayl Dybdahl made this year's banquet very special by attending. Our Member Bob was the first to endow a scholarship for STRIVE, and Gayl Dybdahl was the principal of Stone School from the beginning of the program until retirement last year. One of the large scholarships is named for Gayl. Funding from the Morris Barker Scholarship Fund at the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation and from Rotary combined to make \$22,000 available to the fifteen students.

Meeting Statistics: Attendance at the May 20th meeting included 119 members and 11 guests along with one visiting Rotarian, Laurie Baumer from Lansing, MI. Prior to the meeting 47 members attended meetings of the Membership, Golf Outing, International Outreach, Wireless Microphone, Interact and Program Committees.

Makeup Cards from Roving Rotarians: Betsy Hammond was our sole wandering Rotarian, having visited the Lakeshore, MI, club on May 7th.

Birthdays: **May 25** – Dennis Norton; Jim Zwolensky; **May 26** – Jerry Prescott; **May 27** – Gene Ingram; **May 28** – Brian Mackie; **May 29** – Jed Jacobson; **May 30** – Reno Maccardini; **May 31** – Clayne Frazer



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.

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 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/podcasts>

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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