

The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

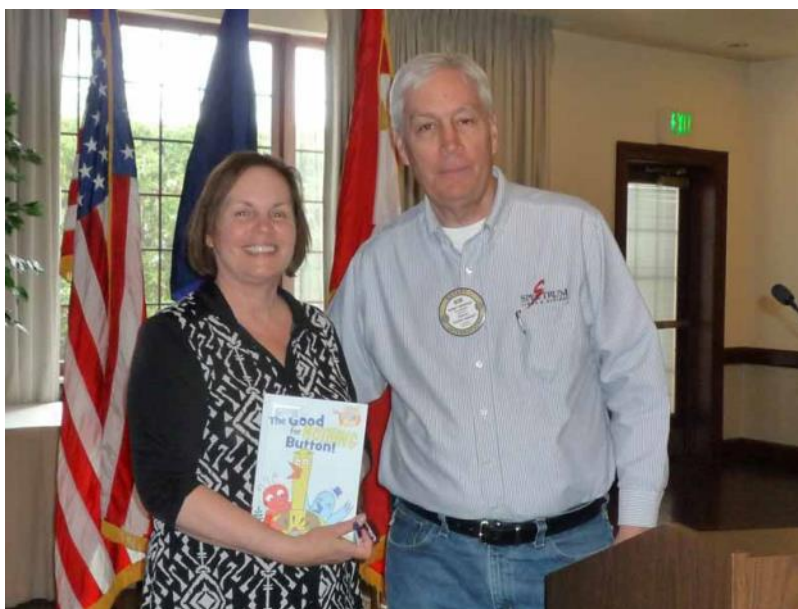
May 10, 2018

Jim Ives, Editor

Thursday's Meeting



Our speaker this week was Karin Risko from City Tour Detroit



Future Meeting
Duty Roster
5-17-18

Greeter
Kathy Gapa

Guests and Visitors
Kathy Gapa

Invocation
Bob Ziolkowski

50/50
Merritt Robertson

X-Ray Editor
David Anderson

Future Meetings

5-17-18
*Wayne County Commission Chair-
person Gary Woronchak*

5-22-18
*Drbn Rotary Foundation Mtg.
Drbn Chamber offices Noon*

5-24-18
*Stop the Bleeding & Importance of
CPR Training*

5-31-18
*Corporal Gordon Morse
Dearborn Police K-9 Unit*

6-7-18
Mayor John O'Reilly

EVERY

 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR



The Rotary Foundation Giving—Every Rotarian Every Year

Thank you Rotarians who have already made your gift to support our clubs \$7,000 goal for the 2017 – 2018 Rotary International Projects. These gifts fund our commitment to support the Every Rotarian Every Year contribution of \$100 per member per year. This is sent to Rotary International to help support Rotary work around the world. Many of these projects we support are reported in the Rotarian Magazine and @ Rotary .org.

Dearborn Rotary's Giving status toward our 2017-2018 EREY goal of \$7,000 is of the 58 members we have, 50% (29ea.) have given. Eighteen are sustaining Members (contributed \$100 or more in a year). The YTD giving total is \$4,090 which is 58% of our \$7,000 commitment. The following have met the Every Rotarian Every Year commitment.

CDG Jim Ives, Diane Ives, Mike Maldegen, Al Martin, Jack & Jane Mueller, John Snyder

Due to privacy rules at Rotary International, we no longer know who has contributed to the Foundation. With that said, if you have submitted money to The Rotary Foundation in excess of \$100 and would like to be recognized here, please let Merritt Robertson know of your contribution.

Announcements

- Need X-Ray meeting minute writers. Promise maximum writing is only once every six weeks. Can volunteer for even once a quarter or year. Please contact David Anderson.
 - Janice Gilliland is looking for greeters and invocation givers. Please let her know if you're willing to serve.
- Sign-up sheets are being passed at the meetings to be a greeter, invocation giver, or run the 50/50 raffle for a particular date. Please volunteer.

The Rotary Foundation Annual Giving

The Rotary Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Rotary International. The monies from the Foundation are used for countless opportunities to do good in the world. It is our responsibility as Rotarians to support The Rotary Foundation. Our commitment this year from our club was to give to the level of \$7,000. As of 4-18-18, we have contributed \$4,090. In order for us to be eligible for district grant money, we need to be at the level of \$100 per member.

Please consider giving to The Rotary Foundation this year. Merritt Robertson would be happy to help you with this task. Our money needs to be sent by June 15th, so please consider giving now. We would like to use District grant money for our tree project, but risk not qualifying it if we don't all contribute. Thank you for your consideration.

Brian Whiston



Our friend and former Dearborn Rotarian Brian Whiston passed away on May 7th. Brian was Dearborn Schools Superintendent, and then became the School Superintendent for the State of Michigan. Brian is survived by his wife, Beth, in addition to three children and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two children.

May he rest in peace.

Meeting Notes

President Bob Gleichauf led today's meeting, which opened with the singing of the National Anthem. Invocation was done by **PP Jim Thorpe**, who mentioned nearing graduation season, children, spring, cherishing present times and closed with a prayer of thanks. Greeter **Shannon Peterson** introduced our two guests, **Bala Murthy** (Washington D.C. Downtown Rotary Club) and **Karin Risko** (today's speaker). Both stood and were recognized.

Ray Trudeau received a Nicaragua update via a note from a former Children of the Dump student. University students are leading the protests for freedom of speech in Nicaragua and they have suffered most of the deaths. Government is limiting coverage of the events. Violence has decreased, but is affecting the country economically and many are considering leaving. Ray closed with feel fortunate for where we live.

Janice Gilliland still has ten meeting volunteer positions to fill through June. **Kathy Gapa** has been our number one volunteer during past Rotary Year. Please sign-up on passed clipboard sheet or contact Janice.

With great sadness we report passing of Dearborn Rotarian, mentor, State Superintendent of Schools, and former Dearborn Schools Superintendent Brian Whiston. There is a card at entrance table to sign. Visitation is today and funeral is tomorrow.

PP Merritt Robertson reminded us of "Every Rotarian, Every Year" for the Rotary International Foundation. Goal is \$100. per Rotarian, every year. We are nearing end of Rotary Year, which is June 30, 2018. Club would like to receive member donations by end of May. Merritt is willing to pick-up a check at your house. We miss Jack Mueller's asking style for raising these funds.

You are welcome to attend Law Day Celebration at Dearborn 19th District Court this evening, May 10, 2018, at 7 PM. President Bob Gleichauf will be representing Dearborn Rotary. Dearborn public and private school students from grades 5-8 have written essays about the law and winning essayists will be honored. Dearborn Rotary has sponsored this event for many years.

President Bob invites you to help decorate Dearborn Rotary Memorial Day float on Saturday morning, May 26, 2018, from about 9AM to 11:30AM. You are also invited to march following Monday in the parade and represent Dearborn Rotary.

Washington D.C. Downtown Club Rotarian Bala Murthy encouraged us to read handouts on tables about Rotary Global Yoga & Meditation Fellowship. They have a website (www.rotarianyoga.org) and will be at Rotary International Convention in June in Toronto and will have a booth. Yoga & Meditation can help with stress and lead to a happy and peaceful life. Their goal is encourage Yoga & Meditation among Rotarians and to spread the message to the community.

Dan Hogan led 50/50 raffle, today. President Bob drew the winning ticket and Roger Miller was the winner.

Karin Risko, founder of City Tour Detroit and a Rotary District 6400 LaunchDetroit graduate, was introduced by PP Margaret Blohm and Launch Detroit volunteer. Karin has been a history and German teacher plus been involved in public relations and is an established entrepreneur. Her company, City Tour Detroit, is your go-to-guide for all things Detroit.

Hometown History Tours in City of Monroe is where Karin Risko began her business. She decided to branch out to Downtown Detroit. There is a lot of history in Detroit, multiple types of manufacturing, Joe Louis, music, Martin Luther King, Jr., etc. They have public downtown walking tours everyday at 10 AM, 1 PM, and 6 PM. Other City Tour Detroit public tours are bus tours on select Saturdays, Detroit Dine Around Tasting Tours, Notorious 313 – Sinister Walking Tours, and Journey to Midnight – Detroit Underground Railroad Tour, which includes Second Baptist Church. She has multiple tour guides with different Detroit knowledge specialties working for her.

City tour Detroit also does a lot of private tours involving corporate clients and individuals. Private tours can be walking or bus tours. Sometimes they are organized tour groups from out-of-state. We watched a short video about City Tour Detroit.

Launch Detroit program was very beneficial for Karin – it was a business education. The three month program and developing a formal business plan were helpful for Karin. She was a recipient of a Launch Detroit Grant.

All major cities have companies offering tours. She found a need for more tour opportunities in Detroit. Her goal is to purchase a tour bus with a retractable roof. Presently leases transportation for bus tours. Would like opportunity to have her own driver rather than telling leased bus driver – "turn here or stop". Thinks architectural tours are opportunity and story has not been told.

Bob Gleichauf, Eric Rader, Kathy Gapa, Washington D.C. Rotarian, and David Anderson all had questions or comments. Manufacturing tours are available. Pre-automotive industry in Detroit led to money and infrastructure for development of the automobile. Beaver pelts, pharmaceuticals, railroad cars, ship building, seed production, lumber, stoves, etc. all were industries in Detroit pre-automobile.

Sinister History Walking Tours involves the Cass Corridor and includes serial killers, drug dealing, work place disasters, murder on a ferry, international waters, and gangs. Couple questions and comments were asked/made about Sinister Tours and historical events and Karin quipped "you established Rotarians seem to be most interested in murder and mayhem".

Millennials do not seem to have a negative image of Detroit. People have a positive impression of Detroit after taking the tours. Art tours might be something offered in the future. Presently City of Detroit does not license tour operators. She has had some notable people on her tours – corporate and entertainment.

President Bob thanked Karin Risko for her presentation and invited her to sign a book plate for a children's book to be donated to Dearborn Public library. Two "Happy Buck" announcements were made, quickly. President Bob was glad to be home from Colorado and Eric Rader enjoyed the District Conference on Mackinac Island. Dearborn Rotary Club meeting ended with us reciting the Four-Way Test in unison.

Respectfully submitted,

David Anderson

Service Opportunities

As a way to keep club members informed about service opportunities in Rotary, we have added a section specifically designed to highlight those opportunities for either volunteerism, or Rotary enrichment and education. Review this each week, and take advantage of the opportunities to learn more about this great organization we belong to, or the opportunities to serve.

- Every week we need Greeters, Invokers, and 50/50 raffle workers. Please contact Janice Gilliland to volunteer for these duties.

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FILM SCREENING & PANEL DISCUSSION

Join us for a public screening of the multi-award winning documentary film "Poverty, Inc." followed by a 30 minute panel discussion with Dr. Marilyn Fitzgerald, author of 'If I Had a Water Buffalo'.

DATE: Wednesday, June 13, 2018

TIME: 6:00pm movie (90 minutes) followed by panel discussion

LOCATION: Wayne County Community College District - Downriver
Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center
21000 Northline Rd. Taylor, MI



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Service Oriented Groups, Faith Based Organizations, Humanitarian Mission Groups, Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis Clubs and anyone who is or plans to be involved with charitable projects.

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