



The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

June 15, 2017

Jim Ives, Editor

Thursday's Meeting Summary

President Regan Ford led today's meeting. Invocation was done by Red Badge Rotarian **Travis Furlow**, who spoke on "intend" and mentioned friendship, service, future and other good things.

Today's greeter, **Sara Gleicher**, introduced our one guest, Anna Rose Lemire (a guest of Sara). Anna was serenaded in traditional fashion.

Announcements

PP Merritt Robertson announced President's Party is next Thursday, June 22, 2017, and takes place of our daytime meeting.

Jim Thorpe announced he and Carrie have made reservations for next year's Rotary International Convention in Toronto.

Roger Miller is having a health issue. Keep him in your thoughts and on your contact list.

Zeinab Dabajeh led 50/50 drawing this week and drew winning ticket.

David Anderson was winner of \$10. Today's program was Committee Meetings and was led by PE Bob Gleichauf. Club attendance was light so we met as a group. Bob shared, through his work, he met with Friends of Rouge Park and learned of Greening of Detroit. Rouge Park group is upgrading walking trails and Greening of Detroit is planting trees around Detroit.

Incoming Rotary International President's initiative is to plant 1.2 million trees this year, one for each Rotarian per PE Bob. New District 6400 Governor, Rick Caron, wants to plant 1,500 trees, one for each District 6400 Rotarian. Tree planting is part of the Rotary clean-water initiative. Rick Caron is thinking about tree planting regarding Lake Erie algae problem contaminating drinking water.

PE Bob has been in contact with Greg Orner, a former Dearborn Rotarian, who leads the Parks & Recreation Department in Dearborn. City of Dearborn is looking into stopping polluted storm water from the Rouge River. Tree planting would be a good upcoming project

for Dearborn Rotary.

Sara Gleicher, who is project manager for Healthy Dearborn, a joint project with City of Dearborn and Beaumont Healthcare, said they are looking at South End of Dearborn and Salina School neighborhood. Dave Norwood from City of Dearborn is working with them. Trees mitigate air pollution and Salina School is in a heavy industrial area. City is thinking about planting trees on boulevard on Dix Avenue. Kathy Gapa said she has enjoyed watching the trees grow her son planted as seedlings, when he was in Cub Scouts. Rick Goward, Ray Trudeau and Dan Hogan all made comments about tree plantings.

PE Bob shared about a meeting he attended three weeks ago with Bob Ziolkowski and David Anderson at City of Dearborn. They met with City officials regarding civic improvement projects Dearborn Rotary could support. Downtown public bike racks and park improvements for Old Dearborn City Hall Park were discussed. Club is looking for civic improvement ideas to support. Rick Goward suggested "Rotary Forest".

Presented Regan Ford said he is assisting Kathy Kalil through Youth Services, a mentoring program for Dearborn high school students. Glenn Maleyko is involved with the project and principals at Fordson and Dearborn High School, too. Program will eventually add Edsel Ford. "Good" 11th and 12th grade students would mentor "at risk" 9th graders. Participating students would meet weekly for an hour and mentors would keep a journal. Dearborn Rotary would provide funds to purchase materials for program plus provide volunteers to review mentor's work periodically – maybe once a semester. Schools would manage the program.

Regan encouraged Dearborn Rotarians to share service project ideas with their Club board and officers.

Ray Trudeau expressed his concern about low attendance at Dearborn Rotary meetings. PE Bob Gleichauf said it was reported at last Club Board Meeting, Dearborn Rotary has

a significant budget deficit because of low attendance at weekly meetings. We want to keep our fundraising projects supporting service projects and not Club expenses. Tough decisions will need to be made, unless we improve attendance. Club realizes health issues, religious customs and summer season are reasons for some of the attendance issues.

Board and officers are looking for ideas to keep Club members involved and engaged. Do we occasionally meet in the evening? Do we change our meeting format? No meals or light meals? Please provide feedback to any board member or officer.

Dan Hogan, Rick Goward, Ray Trudeau, Margaret Blohm and Glenn Maleyko all had comments regarding attendance and member participation. Heard member sponsors should follow up with those not attending. There is a risk of alienation pushing to hard regarding attendance. One Club member looks at Dearborn Rotary as a "great weekly escape" from their job. Another wishes Club members realized there is an obligation to support an organization, when you belong. Heard about sometimes busy work schedules do not allow regular meeting attendance. A Club cannot be run by one or two people – we need support.

PE Bob Gleichauf said Sue Surdudan is looking for an assist on Telegraph Clean-Up on July 22, 2017. She is involved with a significant family event that day. Next week is President Regan's party. Please support the party and recognize all of Regan's hard work over past Rotary year. Dearborn Rotary Club meeting ended with us reciting the Four-Way Test in unison. Respectfully submitted,

David Anderson



**Future Meeting
Duty Roster
06-22-17**

Greeter

Guests and Visitors

Invocation

50/50

**X-Ray Editor
David Anderson**

Future Meetings

**6-22-17
President's Celebration Dinner
6PM**

**6-27-17
Dearborn Rotary Foundation Mtg
Dbrn. Chamber Offices Noon**

**6-29-17
CDG Jim Ives
Rotary International Convention**

The Rotary Foundation Giving—Every Rotarian Every Year



Our goal for annual giving is set at 7,000.00 . If every member contributes to the Rotary Foundation “Every Rotarian Every Year” program, we will make the pledges with no problem. Remember “It’s not about the money, but what the money can do.” The following people have contributed at least \$100 this year to The Rotary Foundation.

Margaret Blohm, Lee Hollmann, Diane Ives, CDG Jim Ives, Don Karcher, Aldo Martin, Mike Maldegen, Jack & Jane Mueller, Colleen Nieman, Shannon Peterson, Merritt Robertson, Darlene Schoolmaster, Ray Trudeau, Bill White, Bob Young.

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.

Rotary International Convention



As usual, Diane Ives was working at the convention while Jim was hanging out on the golf course with Jack Nicklaus. Not easy being married to Jim for 36 years (Anniversary was the 13th). See cake below.





You're Invited
to
Dearborn Rotary's 94th Annual President's Celebration

What is the President's Celebration?

It's an evening of fun, special entertainment and fellowship to celebrate our Rotary year, honor this year's President Regan Ford and Board of Directors, honor our 2017 Rotarian of the Year, and introduce incoming President Robert Gleichauf and 2017-18 Board Directors.

When?

6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Thursday, June 22, 2017

Where?

Park Place, Dearborn

Who's invited?

Rotarians, friends and families (yes—even the kids)

RSVP by:

Sunday, June 18, 2017 to Merritt Robertson, mrobertson445@gmail.com

Please let Merritt know number of guests and plated dinner choices of *salmon, beef filet, or chicken marsala*. Please advise if vegetarian.

How much?

Dinner for members with prepaid meals, \$25

Other members and guests, \$35 each

Why should I come?

You never know what you'll miss or who will be named 2017 Rotarian of the Year.

Any specials?

No charge for entertainment, fun and fellowship.

Dearborn Rotary
Presents:
CERAMICS
WITH A SWIRL

June 27th, 2017 from 6-8 PM

Henry Ford College: Building F-163

Price:\$30 Per Person

Join us in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Foundation with some fellowship and creating your own ceramic candy dish & mug!

Checks can be made out to "The Rotary Foundation"

Contact Janice Gilliland at (313) 845- 9740 or JLGilliland@hfcc.edu to reserve your spot!



Adopt A Highway



Adopt-A-Highway is a state program that has been in existence since 1985 when a Tyler Texas Civitan Club adopted a section of Hwy. 69. Since then, there are 49 states that have adopted the program. The program is intended to encourage volunteers to keep a section of a highway free from litter. In exchange for regular litter removal, an organization is allowed to have its name posted on a sign in the section of the highways they maintain.

Dearborn Rotary has been doing this project over 20 years, and we still maintain the section of Telegraph between Ford Road and Michigan Ave. Our collection of trash happens 3 times per year. Once in April, once in July, and finally in September. The dates for pick up are determined by the State of Michigan.

Our next opportunity for this project is July 22 at 8:30AM. Please meet at Bryant Middle School for baked goods and a nice service opportunity.

