

September 28, 2017

The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

Jim Ives, Editor

Thursday's Meeting Summary

President Bob Gleichauf led today's meeting. Colleen Nieman did the invocation, which mentioned trying to keep divided parties together – at least on same wrestling mat, and a thought by Mort Crim about really listening to the other party. Darlene Schoolmaster was today's greeter. Our two guests were today's speakers, Terri LeBeau and Maesha Hadden. Guests were serenaded in traditional fashion.

Announcements

President Bob said last week's picnic turned out well and thanked all those who helped make it happen. All the food brought was good. Regan Ford, Janet Gleichauf, Sue Surducun, David Anderson (plus Chef Bob G. by the crowd) were mentioned.

PP Regan Ford announced Inter-Service Club Council of Dearborn annual dinner is Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at Park Place. Socializing starts at 11:30 AM and lunch is served at noon. Annual event honors outstanding members of Dearborn's service clubs. Dearborn Rotarian of the Year, Rick Goward, will be honored at the event. Cost is \$25. per person and see Regan to purchase a ticket.

Zeinab Dabajeh and Neil Allen led the 50/50 raffle today. Zeinab drew the winning ticket. Bob Ziolkowski was the winner of \$14.

Today's program was about Meals on Wheels and Dearborn Senior Services. Dearborn Rotary has been delivering Meals on Wheels in East Dearborn every Friday morning for over 25 years. Rick Goward, Merritt Robertson, Janet Gleichauf, David Anderson and 2 former Dearborn Rotarians are our Meals on Wheels drivers. Each Rotary driver delivers meals once every six weeks and commitment is about 1.5 hours. . Terri LeBeau from Dearborn Senior Services and Maesha Hadden, Department Manager, Wayne County Senior Services were our speakers.

Terri is a retired 38-year high school English teacher, who decided to go back to work after being

retired from teaching for about six months. Terri is impressed with all the senior services offered in Dearborn. Services and programs include: senior extended travel trips, such as visiting Mackinaw Island; one day travel trips to lunch and the DSO or casino or Tiger game, and weekly events. There are also senior fitness classes plus guest speakers. Dearborn Senior Services is trying to get newly retired involved in activities. There are organized senior groups that deal with grief counseling, medical issues, and disability.

Dearborn Senior Citizen Transportation offers seniors rides to doctor, Kroger, hairdresser, etc. Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM for \$1.00 per ride. There are seven vans and ten drivers. They transport 200 seniors per month.

Other senior services include liquid nutrition program using Assured for the ill through prescription, which includes 400 people and is monthly, meals on wheels, income tax assistance. Dearborn Senior Services administration is staffed by nine. Handouts about Dearborn Senior Services programs were available by exit door. They are always looking for Meals on Wheels drivers

Maesha Hadden from Wayne County has worked with Meals on Wheels program for sixteen years. They support 40 Meals on Wheels distribution sites in Western and Southern Wayne County. Meals on Wheels program began in Wayne County in 1988. They deliver 2,000 meals per day plus another 700 come in daily for meals. Wayne County is also involved with liquid nutrition program.

Funding is always a question with Meals on Wheels. There are more people requesting meals than funding is available. Presently waiting list is 60 or 70 people. Goal is for no senior to go hungry. Some seniors have to choose between buying medicine or buying food. Funding comes from Federal and State government, grants, Wayne County, and donations by seniors served. Requirements to receive meals are: you

are 60 years and older, home-bound, and lack of family support.

Seniors love their Meals on Wheels delivery volunteers. Sometimes they are only human contact with seniors that day. There are over 1,000 volunteer delivery persons and some are older than meal recipients.

Cost of a meal is \$7.00 and they are prepared off-site. Maesha, Valley Food rep and a dietician plan the menus. Each meal provides 1/3 of required per daily calories. Meals are low sodium and appropriate for diabetics. Dearborn distributes 140 meals per day. Meals are delivered Monday through Friday and delivery begins around 9:30-9:45 AM. All volunteers are vetted. Sometimes children help their parents deliver meals in summertime. Seniors love seeing children. If you volunteer through Dearborn Rotary, your co-drivers are usually cooperative with swapping delivery days if you have a conflict in your delivery schedule.

Martha Hnatiuk and her husband are weekly volunteer drivers in East Dearborn. They started as substitute drivers, but eventually assumed a regular route. Sometimes they get an assist from their grandchildren.

Susan Dabaja said Meals on Wheels drivers provide a vital daily link to seniors. Volunteers have pointed out things seniors need to City. EMS has been called by volunteers to help seniors they serve.

Terri Le Beau and Maesha Hadden were both thanked by President Bob. President Bob announced Dearborn Rotary just sent a check for \$1,600. to Rotary International for gulf coast hurricane relief. He thanked all donors. Dearborn Rotary Club meeting ended with us reciting the Four-Way Test in unison.

Respectfully submitted,
David Anderson



**Future Meeting
Duty Roster
10-5-17**

**Greeter
Jessica Haddad**

**Guests and Visitors
Jessica Haddad**

**Invocation
Regan Ford**

**50/50
Jim Thorpe**

**X-Ray Editor
David Anderson**

Future Meetings

**10-2-17
District Governor Golf Outing
Walnut Creek Golf Club**

**10-3-17
Club Board Meeting
Dbrn. Schools Admin Bldg
5:50PM**

**10-5-17
Classification Talks
Martha Hnatiuk
Jim Thorpe**

**10-12-17
Real estate Mkt. Update
Tim Hillner & Kimberly Tutas
C-21 Curran & Christie**

**10-24-17
Dbrn, Rotary Foundation Mtg
Noon
Drbn Chamber Offices**

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.

CDG Jim Ives, Diane Ives, Al Martin

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.

Today’s Speakers



Terri LeBeau

Maesha Hadden



The District Governor



Presented by the Taylor & Trenton Rotary Clubs  to benefit Penrickton Center for Blind Children & Downriver Youth Performing Arts Center

Wednesday, October 4th at Crystal Gardens in Southgate

Mark your Calendars for another "Great Tailgate" event scheduled for Wednesday, October 4, 2017 , 6-10PM hosted by the Trenton and Taylor Rotary Clubs! The event will again take place at Crystal Gardens and is sure to be another fun evening celebrating the rivalry between University of Michigan and Michigan State University! Justin Rose, Channel 7 Sports Reporter, has agreed to emcee the event again!

www.greatailgateevent.com