



The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

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Jim Ives, Editor



Future Meeting
Duty Roster
2-13-20

Greeter
Martha Hnatiuk

Invocation
?

50/50
Shannon Perterson

X-Ray Editor
David Anderson

Future Meetings

2-13-20
Children's Leukemia Foundation
Jaycie Giordano

2-20-20
?

2-25-20
Drbn Rotary Foundation Bd. Mtg
Dale Bender's Office Noon

2-27-20
Mayor John O'Reilly

3-05-20
Students run the Meeting

Today's Meeting



Past President Bob Gleichauf kicks off Youth Month speaking on the history and purpose of Rotary



15 high school students from the Dearborn area high schools



EVERY
 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR

The Rotary Foundation Giving—Every Rotarian Every Year

Rotarians have an obligation to support one of the finest charitable organizations in the world; The Rotary Foundation. This foundation makes it possible for our club to participate in receiving matching grant funds for our next year's Rotary projects. This is made possible because of your contributions to The Rotary Foundation (Every Rotarian Every Year Giving). All contributions received before June will be credited to this year's giving. Our goal for the 2019-20 Rotary year is \$5,300, of which we have to date raised \$2,960. We have also contributed over \$500 for Polio Eradication, \$400 over our goal of \$100. Those contributing at least \$100 this year are:

CDG Jim Ives, Don Kosch, Al Martin, PP John McDonald, PN Shannon Peterson, Pres. Eric Rader, PP Merritt Robertson

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



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.
- February starts Youth Month. Come have fun speaking with the area high school students every meeting in February, with them running the last meeting of the month.

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.

Save the Date

- April 21st "Scholarships Celebration". This will replace the regular noon meeting on April 23rd
- April 25th will be the Adopt A Highway Spring pick-up.
- July 18th will be the Adopt A Highway Summer pick-up
- September 26th will be the Adopt A Highway Fallpick-up

Meeting Notes

Youth Month began today and Club President Eric Rader led meeting, which opened with the singing of the National Anthem. Invocation was done by Youth Month guest, Ibrahim Ahmed from Fordson High School, and was a prayer giving thanks and mentioning youth are 100% of the future. Each of our Youth Month participants stood-up and introduced themselves. There were 16 students in attendance and Fordson, Edsel Ford, Dearborn, Henry Ford Early College, Divine Child and Advanced Technology Academy were represented.

Announcements

President Eric welcomed our Youth Month guests. Rotary District 6400 Conference is May 15-17, 2020 at Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, Ohio. Event is family friendly and visit District 6400 webpage for more information.

President Elect Colleen Nieman announced Sarah Al-Tamimi has taken a new job outside of Dearborn and will not be available to serve on 2020-2021 Board of Directors. If you are interested in serving on 2020-2021 Board, please contact PE Colleen within one week.

Kathy Kalil passed a sign-up sheet for volunteers to share about their profession for "My Potential" Mentoring program career days at Fordson HS (3-24-2020, 12:20P-1:20P) and Dearborn High (3-11-2020, 10:30A-Noon). Contact Kathy to volunteer.

Angie Linder announced Dearborn Rotary Telegraph Clean-Ups (MDOT Adopt-A-Highway) are April 25, July 18 and September 26, 2020, all Saturday mornings. We will meet at Bryant Middle School at 8:30 AM for each Clean-Up. Student Interact Clubs you are invited to participate.

Danene Charles led 50/50 drawing today. One of our student guests drew winning ticket and Jim Ives was winner of \$17.

FHS student Ibrahim Ahmed, Jim Thorpe, Kathy Kalil, Glenn Maleyko, Jim Ives, EFHS student Molly Mullen, Bob Gleichauf, and President Eric all had "Happy Bucks" announcements. Happy students are here today. Happy there was no snow day and my kids are in school. Happy I am signing a National Letter of Intent later this afternoon to play football at Wayne State University (Go Tartars!). Happy HFC did not have a snow day—our students would have been behind. Happy to share \$17. winnings with our 16 student guests. Still had to get-up at 3:20 AM to decide if there was going to be a snow day. Happy to be healthy and alive and in a room with good people.

PP (2X) Bob Gleichauf was today's speaker and he talked about the history of Rotary. We watched a short video listing famous Rotarians – Neil Armstrong, Orville Wright, President Gerald Ford, Sir Winston Churchill, Thomas Edison, Sam Walton, Colonel Sanders, etc. Then watched a video of Rio Rancho Sunrise Rotary Club's version of "Were Rotarians", borrowing heavily on the Blues Brothers plus Sam & Dave. Song featured Four-Way Test plus Fellowship and Service. Heard about Paul Harris, a Chicago attorney, founding Rotary in 1905 with three additional members and becoming the World's first service club. Paul Harris wanted honorable and ethical business relations with other business and professional people in booming Chicago. He wanted to make Chicago a better place to live. His Chicago home is now a museum.

Watched another video about the early history and pioneers of Rotary filmed in 1920s. Early Rotary members were florists, in real estate, banking, manufacturing, dentist, medical doctor, etc. Heard about origin of luncheon meetings, singing at meetings, name badges, nicknames, Rotary Wheel, Rotary Club One at Sherman House Hotel, conventions, first charity project was in 1907 and was a horse purchased for a country doctor, the president's chair, etc. Heard about evolution of "Service Above Self" from "He who profits most, serves best".

Paul Harris planted trees whenever he traveled to make connections and promote fellowship and friendship. This included planting American trees during a five week tour of Europe in 1932. PP Bob shared how Dearborn Rotary sponsored planting of trees a couple of years ago at Salina School and Greenfield Village plus this spring at a new historical park. Heard about first Rotary convention in 1910 had 16 Clubs participating and 60 registrants. Today there are 33,000 Clubs worldwide and 1.2 million members. Heard about Arch Klumph, founder of the Rotary Foundation, and Founder's role in polio eradication project. Project began in 1978 and we have gone from 350,000 annual polio cases in 1988-89 to less than 100 annual polio cases, today.

Dearborn Rotary began in 1923 and our Club Presidents have all been active members in the community. PP Bob said he embraced the Four-Way Test in his business dealings. First women admitted in Dearborn Rotary were in 1989. President Eric commented our next two Club Presidents will be women.

PDG & PP Jim Ives shared Rotary has been a catalyst for world peace. London Rotary Club convened a meeting in 1942 to discuss peace at end of WWII and invited world powers. 24 countries participated and representatives included presidents, ambassadors, prime ministers, etc. Group ended-up forming the United Nations after the war and Rotary was given a non-voting seat in the UN. There is a Rotary Day every year at the United Nations. Rotary awards an annual \$75,000. scholarship for peace and conflict resolution studies. Rotary has been a driving force for peace in the world.

President Eric thanked PP Bob Gleichauf for his presentation. Dearborn Rotary Club meeting closed with us reciting the Four-Way Test in unison. A picture of our student guests was taken after the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

David Anderson

February 23, 1905 Was the Start of Rotary International



The first four Rotarians (from left): Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey and Paul P. Harris, circa 1905-12.

On February 23, 1905, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in Room 711 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago. This was the first Rotary Club meeting. They decided to call the new club "Rotary" after the practice of rotating meeting locations.

Paul P. Harris was born in Racine, Wisconsin. At age three, when his family fell on hard times, they moved to Vermont to live with Harris' paternal grandparents. He attended Princeton University, the University of Vermont and the University of Iowa. For the next five years he worked odd jobs as a salesman and reporter for a newspaper, on fruit farms, as an actor, a cowboy, and on cattle ships that traveled to Europe. Harris eventually settled in the Beverly neighborhood of Chicago, where he lived until his death in 1947.

He began his law practice in 1896 in Chicago. In 1905 Harris organized the first Rotary club "in fellowship and friendship" with three business associates, Silvester Schele, Gustavus Loehr and Hiram Shorey. His initial goal was to create a club of professional and businessmen for friendship and fellowship. Early on, Harris realized that Rotary needed a greater purpose. While Harris served as president of the Chicago Rotary Club in 1907, the club initiated its first public service project, the construction of public toilets in Chicago. This step transformed Rotary into the world's first service club.

Harris had great ambitions for the growth of Rotary, and very early in the organization's history new clubs were started, first on the West Coast in San Francisco, and then all over the US and in Europe.

Paul Harris died on January 27, 1947. More than 300,000 Rotarians mourned. An outpouring of contributions to The Rotary Foundation created the Paul Harris Memorial Fund, which continues to support the Rotary Foundation.