



# The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

February 27, 2020

Jim Ives, Editor

## Today's Meeting



Mayor O'Reilly was our speaker today.



**Future Meeting**  
**Duty Roster**  
**3-5-20**

**Greeter**  
**Student**

**Invocation**  
**Student**

**50/50**  
**Student**

**X-Ray Editor**  
**David Anderson**

### Future Meetings

**3-04-20**  
**Club Board Meeting**  
**DPS Admin Bldg. 5:30PM**

**3-05-20**  
**Students run the Meeting**

**3-12-20**  
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**3-19-20**  
**DACdb**  
**Bob Ziolkowski**

**3-24-20**  
**Dbrn Rotary Foundation Mtg**  
**Dale Bender's Office Noon**

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 be recognized here, please let Merritt Robertson know of your contribution.**

### The Rotary Foundation Contributions



## 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.
  - March 19th we need a person to do the 50/50.
  - March 26th we need an Invoker for the meeting.
  - "My Potential" Mentoring program career day at Edsel Ford High School is Monday, March 30, 2020 from 12:50P-2:00P. Contact Kathy to share about your profession at Edsel or at Dearborn HS (3-11-2020, 10:30A-Noon) or Fordson HS (3-24-2020, 12:20P-1:20P).
  - April 2nd we need a person for the 50/50 and Greeter positions.
  - April 9th we need a Greeter.

## Meeting Notes

President Eric Rader led today's meeting, which opened with the singing of the National Anthem. Invocation was done by Laila Dakroub and was a prayer. Today's greeter, Glenn Maleyko, introduced our guests: Jackie Lovejoy, R. Cindy Cannon, and Dan Houston. Today's speaker, Mayor O'Reilly and his guest were introduced later.

Keep Danene Charles in your thoughts, she has a situation, which will keep her occupied for the next two to three weeks, President Eric announced.

Youth Month guests will be back next week and will run the meeting, President Eric announced. Remember to sign-up for Rotary District 6400 Conference, May 15-17, 2020 at Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, Ohio. Event is family friendly and visit District 6400 webpage for more information.

Bob Gleichauf reminded us the Scholarship Celebration is Tuesday, April 21, 2020.

Kathy Kalil announced "My Potential" Mentoring program career day at Edsel Ford High School is Monday, March 30, 2020 from 12:50P-2:00P.

Martha Hnatiuk led 50/50 drawing today. Guest Mayor O'Reilly drew winning ticket and Bob Ziolkowski was winner of \$11.

R. Cindy Cannon, Angie Linder, Jim Thorpe, Jackie Lovejoy, Mayor O'Reilly and President Eric all had "Happy Bucks" announcements. Fundraising for a friend in nursing care was a success and they now have 30 paid physical therapy sessions. Happy people made it to meeting today. Both children have done housekeeping and my 12-year old son did a load of laundry on their back-to-back snow days. Happy for warm reception on a frigid day. Happy to be invited to Dearborn Rotary. I am supporting Happy Bucks.

Mayor O'Reilly was introduced by President Eric, who thanked him for supporting our Club and Dearborn Public Schools. The Mayor has been on last two HFC Presidential Search Committees with Eric.

Jeff Watson, new City of Dearborn Director of Economic & Community Development was introduced by the Mayor. Jeff said he has worked in both public and private sectors in land development long enough to be retired once. He said there are a lot of exciting things happening in Dearborn and he is pleased to be here and working with the Mayor.

State of Michigan has identified 12 or 13 communities in Michigan to promote via a Federal program. Investors are brought to the communities to promote investment opportunities. Underdeveloped land on far east side of Dearborn is being promoted with an assist from Jackie Lovejoy and Dearborn Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor then took questions for remainder of the program. Parking lot behind Bryant Branch Library is being turned into a park and street parking is being added on Mason. Plans for development are on Dearborn Downtown Development Facebook page. There was a recent public meeting about new streetscape.

Real estate tax assessments are based on rules from Lansing. There are property tax relief programs for low income families. Sewer and storm water separation project will be complete in two or three years and improvements will last a long time. Probably two of the CSO basins will be utilized. There are problems with the others. City of Dearborn tracks residential construction projects and there are time limits for completion. Residents have to pay penalties if they take too long with their projects.

Guests from out of town were impressed with City of Dearborn siren system for notifying residents of snow emergencies and other emergencies. Dearborn has noise ordinances for outdoor music – it is allowed until 10 PM. Dearborn has 43 parks and six public pools.

City of Dearborn is encouraging residents to participate in the Census. Presentations are being done at religious facilities. City lost a lot of money because of lack of participation during last two Censuses. The Census is the basis of Federal funding for next ten years and supports roads, schools, etc. We were shorted 5,000 people and typical Federal funding lost was \$1,800. per resident. Legislative seats are also based on the Census. Presentations are also being done at HFC and Census workers are paid well. Government is looking for local residents to work on Census, such as college students. Census begins April 1, 2020 and it is not too late to obtain employment.

Ownership of Edward Hotel/old Hyatt Regency is in court. City would allow hotel to reopen if it was updated properly. It is second largest hotel in Metro Detroit and might have to be partially repurposed, maybe to residential housing, to be economically viable. Developers are looking at the Village Plaza at Outer Drive and Michigan Ave. There are problems with building and parking structure.

Senior housing is being looked into for Dearborn. Will mention to my City administrative staff Dearborn Rotary Club is looking for members. Some of the owners of the large houses being built in Dearborn are finding out their homes are not worth what they cost to build. They are unhappy with their large real estate tax bills for the new houses. There was negative and some inaccurate information on social media during failed school bond millage election. Dearborn Public Schools will continue to promote positive information about its operation. A public announcement is forthcoming from a statewide organization about quality of Dearborn Public Schools.

President Eric Rader thanked Mayor John B. O'Reilly, Jr. for his presentation and invited him to sign a children's book to be donated to Dearborn Public Library. Dearborn Rotary Club meeting closed with us reciting the Four-Way Test in unison.

Respectfully submitted, David Anderson