

# The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

April 29, 2021

Jim Ives, Editor



**Future Meeting  
Duty Roster  
05-06-21**

**Greeter  
?**

**Invocation  
Bob Gleichauf**

**50/50  
?**

**X-Ray Editor  
David Anderson**

## Future Meetings

**5-4 & 5 -21  
District 6400 Virtual Conference**

**5-4-21  
Club Board Meeting Zoom  
5:30 PM**

**5-6-21  
Tim Kiska, Producer of the Detroit  
History Podcast, "When Television  
Was Local "**

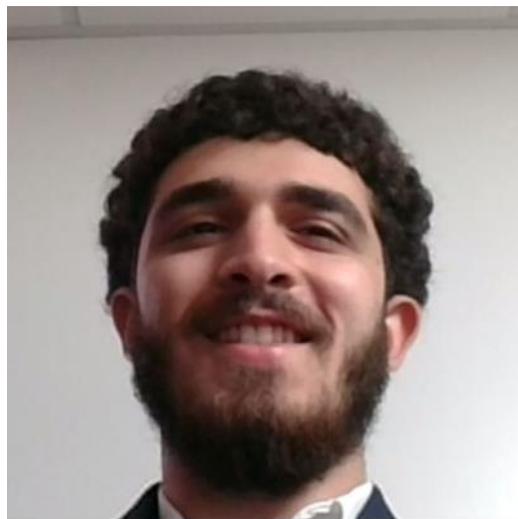
**5-13-21  
DGN Traci Sincok  
Mayberry State Park  
Yesterday and Today**

**5-20-21  
Lisa Lark, Author  
Honoring 69 Vietnam Veterans  
from Dearborn that died in the war**

## Today's Meeting



**Our Zoomers Thursday. We had 18 members, and 2 guests. Please  
Use this [link](#) to the recording of the meeting.**



**2021 Sisson Scholarship Winner Reda Mazeh was our speaker today.**

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 2021 will be credited to this year's giving. Our goal for the 2020-21 Rotary year is \$7,000, of which we have to date raised \$4,880. Those contributing at least \$100 this year are:

PP Margaret Blohm, Janice Gilliland, PP Lee Hollmann, CDG Jim Ives, Kathy Kalil, Angie Linder, Al Martin, PP Roger Miller, PP Eric Rader

If interested in contributing to The Rotary Foundation, please fill out [this form](#) and send to Jim Thorpe.

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 Jim Ives 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 District 6400 Conference is going virtual!

As your District Governor, I have made this decision in compliance with Rotary International's advisory to take all meetings virtual though June 30<sup>th</sup> of this year. I know so many of us were looking forward to getting together – no one was more excited for an in-person event than Captain Rotary!

However, in the face of the many realities confronting us with the global COVID-19 pandemic, we need to do whatever we can to mitigate the virus's spread. As a humanitarian organization, it is our obligation to protect our members, their families, our communities, and the world by doing our part to ensure safety in our gathering choices. By following this advisory, we will be contributing to mitigating the pandemic, thus contributing to our future ability to be able to meet in-person and to carry out the incredible mission of Rotary International without the current restrictions limiting the means by which we are able to do so.

As a health care professional, I learn everyday about not only the illness of COVID-19, but of the long-range effects and future illness that may develop when one is exposed to it. No amount of fun can be worth lost lives or chronic illness. When this pandemic began, none of us could have realized how very serious it could be or had any idea of how long this virus's impacts on our daily lives would last.

I thank everyone on the District Conference committee who worked tirelessly registering people, planning and dedicating time and energy into the orchestration of what we hoped would be a tremendous celebration in the form of in-person fellowship. It was a labor of love, and I want them all to know how very much I appreciate their efforts. Over the last year, Rotary has been tested, as we all have. Rotarians have been called on to be adaptable and creative. Our virtual conference will be another opportunity to rise to that challenge and share all that Rotary accomplishes in our clubs and the fellowship we share for each other.

Debbie and I can't wait to celebrate with as many of you as possible during our virtual conference and help us to celebrate the 2020-21 Rotary Year, where I have been honored to serve as District Governor. The virtual conference will be Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

We're very excited about our great program! Our virtual conference will have many of the same elements of an in-person gathering! We'll be celebrating our club's many accomplishments and presenting awards to both clubs and individual Rotarians. Our speakers will include Chief Giima LaForme, the elected Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) in Ontario; Windsor-Roseland Rotarian and Rotary International President-Nominee Jennifer Jones; DG Noel will review the 2020-21 Rotary year, and DGE Aruna will look ahead to 2021-22!

Please click [here](#) to register, even though you may have registered for the in person conference..

## Meeting Notes

Club President Colleen Nieman led today's meeting, which was on-line via Zoom. Socializing was ongoing at 11:33 AM with 18 participants. Formal meeting began at 11:37 AM with the ringing of the shepherd's bell by President Colleen. Attendance was 20 over the course of the meeting. Janice Gilliland did the Invocation and she shared an invocation she found on Rotary International webpage of invocations. Prayer mentioned caring and sharing with others and life service. President Colleen thanked Jim Ives for stepping-in at last moment to lead last week's meeting. Janice Gilliland is looking for invocation givers at future Dearborn Rotary meetings, please volunteer.

Rotary District 6400 Conference is this upcoming Tuesday and Wednesday starting at 7 PM. Conference is free and virtual and speakers are good. Sign-up on District [webpage](#) President Colleen announced.

Angie Linder took a group photograph and asked everyone to give a big smile. She thanked everyone who volunteered at this past Saturday's Telegraph Road Clean-Up, our Adopt-A-Highway project. Dearborn Rotary, Hines Park PM, and Fairlane Sunrise all had members volunteering Saturday morning. We had 29 volunteers and majority of them were students from Dearborn Public Schools. 42 bags of trash were picked-up.

Jim Thorpe reminded us we have 60 days remaining to fulfill our pledge of "Every Rotarian, Every Year". We are at \$4,880. of our \$7,000. goal. Donate directly to Rotary International Foundation or contact Jim to donate.

We had two guests at today's meeting, Fordson High School (FHS) student, Reda Mazeh, our Harry A. Sisson Memorial Scholarship 2021 honoree and today's speaker, plus FHS Principal Heyam Alcodray. PP Glenn Maleyko, Chairperson of Sisson Scholarship Selection Committee introduced both Reda and Principal Alcodray. Glenn was Zooming from the library of FHS and Principal Alcodray had the school as her Zoom background. She invited us to the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of FHS on May 14, 2021. Visit their webpage for more information. Glenn thanked his Sisson committee members for all their work in the selection process plus Lee Hollmann for coaching Glenn on the selection process. Glenn also thanked all the Dearborn Rotarians involved in our scholarship program. Scholarship had great applicants and it was a difficult task making the selection.

Harry A. Sisson Memorial Scholarship honors a senior in a Dearborn high school and is supported by Sisson Foundation. Four-Way Test, high ethical & moral standards, demonstrates leadership, in top 5% of their class, and top 10% in academics. Glenn read a short biography about Harry A. Sisson and the scholarship. Visit Dearborn Rotary webpage and Scholarship section to read the biography.

Reda Mazeh is an athlete, student government leader, on Diversity & Inclusion Committee, explores the world through film, active in Interact and their work project to Dominican Republic is most rewarding project he ever did, Santa Snaps volunteer; participated in Special Needs Prom, Anti-Bullying Rally, Martin Luther King Service Day Project, NHS Canned Food & Clothing Drive, and U of M event; member of Superintendent's Advisory Council, and received great letters of recommendation from his teachers. Reda is considering U of M or Harvard for college and will represent Dearborn Rotary and DPS with pride. He has received scholarships to both schools.

Principal Alcodray described Reda as an amazing student with a great family. He is participating in a MASP State conference with her this weekend. They will miss him at Fordson HS.

Reda Mazeh thanked Superintendent Glenn Maleyko, Principal Alcodray and Dearborn Rotary for the kind words. He said Rotary and Interact has shaped him for the better and he understands community and self. Reda is considering study abroad opportunities in the Middle East. He and many students struggle with not being in touch with their culture from which they came.

President Colleen, Margaret Blohm, Bob Gleichauf, Lee Hollmann, Dan Houston, Martha Hnatiuk, Kathy Kalil, Cindy Cannon, David Anderson, Rick Goward, and Glenn Maleyko all had questions or comments. Dominican trip and poverty he saw was a humbling experience and shaped his life. Pandemic year gave me time to reflect on life and contemplate my culture and roots. Considering studying medicine and have a brother in second year of medical school. About 2/3 of Rotary's membership is international and worldwide service projects are available. Thank you for all you have done and will do. Dearborn Rotary and residents are proud to have students like you and your contributions to society. My father encouraged us to try everything and enjoy the many experiences and struggle to accomplish. He had many amazing experiences. Admire your wisdom and humbleness. If you study in the Middle East, find a Rotary Club to visit. Please search out a Rotaract Club in college and circle back to us in five or ten years to give us an update. U of M is the better school to attend. Like studying the world through film and would like to be involved in the industry sometime. Like art in general. Keep your heart on fire and your mind on ice. We will have to invite you to our Scholarship Gala event when we resume them. Thanks to everyone involved in our scholarship program.

Cindy Cannon has donated 22 Dearborn Rotary Covid masks to the Club. Her cousin's Rotary Club in Ecuador produced them. Pick one up at President Colleen's church. Make a donation for the mask – it will support the Dearborn Rotary Foundation.

Ray Trudeau and Art Hamparian both miss attending Dearborn Rotary meetings Bob Gleichauf reports. Ray continues to support the Children of the Dump Project. Otto Rowen encouraged Ray to get involved, when he was a student at Woodworth and Otto was the principal.

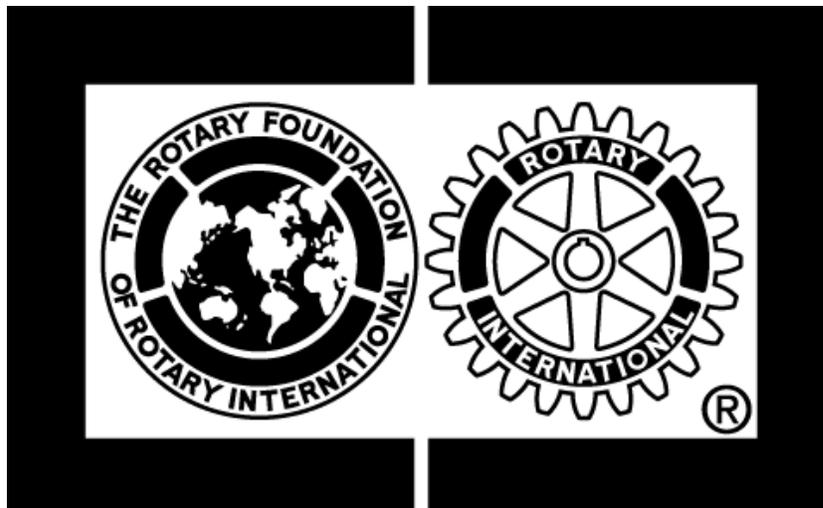
Dearborn Rotary meeting closed with members reciting the Four-Way Test in unison.

Respectfully submitted,

David Anderson

## The Rotary Foundation

Dearborn Rotary is at half of their Annual Giving goal for The Rotary Foundation. We have 2 months left to make our goal, so if you have been waiting to contribute, now would be a good time to do that. If you have questions about how to give, please contact [Jim Thorpe](#) and he can walk you through the process.



**District Governor Golf Outing**



Times they are a changing. This year's District Governor Golf Outing will be in June instead of the fall. Mark your calendars for June 28th to play at the Donald Ross designed golf course of Grosse Isle Golf and Country Club. Lets get 2 or 3 foursomes to support this great cause of funding service to humanity (for the Rotary year 2021-22). \$180 will buy you a whole day of entertainment. And if you don't golf, you can always come for dinner to be with fellow Rotarians. Dinner only is \$50.

More information to follow, but save the date, and develop your foursomes!

## Thank you Adopt-A-Highway volunteers!

There were 25 people in the Bryant Middle School parking lot - including Dearborn school students and members from the Rotary Clubs of Dearborn, Fairlane Sunrise and Hines Park Rotary. Four more people arrived after this group headed out, so there was a total of **29 people** who participated.

Official bag count was **42 bags** of trash with approximately **800 pounds of trash** for the watershed project!

Thank you all for your efforts! For those who may not know, Dearborn Rotary was one of the first to sign on with the State of Michigan for Adopt-A-Highway.. We have served uninterrupted since that time.

