

The Dearborn Rotary X-Ray

December 10, 2020

Jim Ives, Editor

Today's Meeting



Our Zoomers Thursday. We had 22 members & 2 guests. Please follow the [link](#) to the recording of the meeting.



Our Speaker today was Alissa Novoselick, Executive Director for Living Arts Detroit.

Our holiday concert with the HFC Choir will be December 17th on Zoom. Don't miss it! This will be the last meeting of the year for our club.



Future Meeting
Duty Roster
12-17-20

Greeter
?

Invocation
Kathy Kalil

50/50
?

X-Ray Editor
David Anderson

Future Meetings

12-17-20
HFC Choir Holiday concert

12-24-20
No meeting

12-31-20
No meeting

1-5-20
Club Board Meeting

1-7-20

The Rotary Foundation Giving—Every Rotarian Every Year

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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 \$2,170. Those contributing at least \$100 this year are:

Janice Gilliland, CDG Jim Ives, Kathy Kalil, 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**



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.

Election Results

Congratulations to the following who were elected to serve on the Rotary Club of Dearborn Board of Directors for the 2021-22 Rotary Year. Their term will begin July 1, 2021, and end June 30, 2022.

David Anderson	Kathy Kalil
Margaret Blohm	Angie Linder
Laila Dakroub	Jackie Lovejoy
Dan Houston	Jim Thorpe
Al Martin (Current Secretary)	Cindy Canon (Current Treasurer)

Meeting Notes

Today's meeting was on-line via Zoom and was led by Club President Colleen Nieman and began with the ringing of the cowbell. It was 2021-2022 Club Board Election Day and was taking place via Survey Monkey. President Colleen invited us to vote for up to eight Board members for President Elect Shannon Peterson's Rotary Year. Attendance was 25 at the meeting, including our guest speaker from Living Arts Detroit plus Swaminathan, our regular guest from India. Glenn Maleyko did the invocation. President Colleen mentioned a story she heard at a recent Rotary District 6400 Zoom meeting about how members of the military sacrifice and give up family life for the greater good. Our holiday season will be different, but sacrifices will be for a greater good of keeping infections and death rate down and eventually getting to a healthier time.

Jackie Lovejoy mentioned Dearborn Area Chamber of Commerce is having a Virtual Auction, which closes tonight, to replace their annual Holiday Gala. There is great stuff on the auction site.

Rick Goward reported 27 Rotarians have purchased cookbooks and we are getting great support from the rest of the world. Shannon Peterson and Eric Radner were given special thanks for their mass e-mailing of Dearborn Public Schools and HFC staff, respectively, about our cookbook. Both staffs are responding positively. Rick also thanked the Cookbook team plus several Rotarians, who helped Rick deliver Cookbooks. Shannon said there are a lot of great recipes in the Cookbook. Visit Dearborn Rotary website on how to order. There is a link also on Rotary District 6400 website. Susan Dabaja mentioned she posted on her social meeting site about the Cookbook and has been receiving positive feedback about it. Margaret Blohm reported Cherry Hill Pharmacy agreed to sell our Cookbook. Rick said we can do a second printing and this has been an easy fundraiser because of great support from Cookbook team. President Colleen reported our regular guest, Swaminathan, received digital version of Cookbook and he will try a vegetarian dish with his granddaughter.

Angie Linder said she did a FaceBook fundraiser for the Dearborn Rotary Club via her birthday. So far \$750. has been raised and FaceBook does not charge for this service for non-profits. She encouraged us to try this fundraising method.

Today's speaker, Alissa Novoselick, the Executive Director for Living Arts Detroit, was introduced by Val Murphy-Goodrich. Alissa knows Margaret Blohm through Margaret's amazing daughter, who worked for Living Arts Detroit for a long time. They are a 20 year old arts organization based in Southwest Detroit. Alissa is a former Rotarian (her Dad was a lifetime Rotarian) and thinks it great we are connecting with people from across the world through Zoom. They work with 40 professional teaching artists, mostly in Detroit Public Schools, plus Head Start and caregiver settings. They have an afterschool program with 300 participants, who come to learn dance, visual arts, song writing and recording plus other disciplines. Their 40 teaching artists are spread through these groups and are multi-disciplined. The Detroit artists have averaged eight years with the organization and work with kids.

Alissa showed a short video about the arts program they provide in Detroit and the affect of Covid-19. Video included students, teachers and community members who know about the program. Program is digital now because of Covid-19 and is on a tight budget. They have received great support from philanthropic groups. 90% of their students are participating digitally because of their relationships with the 40 professional teaching artists. Dance class in your living room is different from in-person. They are logging-on with teachers in schools to engage the students. Teaching artists have a special relationship with classroom teachers and they co-create for the students. They try to unlock creativity in the students. A five-year study shows their program increases literacy in students. The arts tap into student's social-emotional domain and help learning. They are looking forward to spring and hoping to get back to their traditional in-person program.

President Colleen, Bob Gleichauf, Lee Hollmann, Margaret Blohm and Jackie Lovejoy all had questions or comments. Daughter isa music teacher and she works with art and physical education teachers to promote on how these disciplines help all types of learning. Thank you for the Living Arts program and your efforts in the learning process. Dr. Vitti from Detroit Public Schools is working on the whole child learning perspective, so arts and physical education are included. We serve 3,000 children in Detroit, which includes 300 in after school program, plus around 1,350 in Pre-K through Head Start and another 1,350 children in K-12. They do service across the City. Virtual learning is working, but it does not replace in-person experience. Living Arts Detroit had challenge to bring their team up to speed with virtual learning technology and process. Alissa believes young people are about done with the screen and looking forward to in-person learning. Different age groups have different educational training needs. One of their great successes are the LivingArts learning modules they developed for Covid-19 and they are available for free on their website. They are done at your own pace and are segmented by age group. Living Arts will continue learning modules in the future because access to arts is unavailable to some students. Their after school in-person program had a waiting list of 150 students. They could not accommodate additional students due to cost and space issues. There was a study 2 or 3 years ago in Detroit that showed only one in two students had an arts experience in their school day. It is important to support the arts for underserved students and Alissa is doing a wonderful job with her organization. Visit www.livingartsdetroit.org for more information. President Colleen thanked Alissa for her presentation and Alissa thanked us for having her at our meeting.

Shannon Peterson reported Fordson Interact Club is raising money for a six year old with cancer and Fordson staff has already donated \$1,000. Shannon has a link to donate. President Colleen suggested Dearborn Rotary Foundation might be a possibility if a proposal was submitted. Jackie Lovejoy said she will forward information to Centurions.

There is still time to register for Rotary District 6400 Convention. Visit the District website. Refunds are available if event is postponed or cancelled. Art Hamarian sends his greetings to everyone. Rick Goward announced he sold six cookbooks during the meeting. Buyers are coming to his door.

Glenn Maleyko thanked everyone who volunteered to run for the 2021-2022 Dearborn Rotary Board. A job will always be found for volunteers and it was a close election. PE Shannon Peterson's Board will be Al Martin, Angie Linder, Cindy Cannon, Dan Houston, David Anderson, Jim Thorpe, Laila Dakroub, Jackie Lovejoy, Kathy Kalil and Margaret Blohm.

Next week's meeting will have a virtual visit by the Henry Ford College Choir plus awarding of Paul Harris Fellows to three Dearborn Rotarians. Today's meeting closed with members reciting the Four-Way Test in unison plus a "be safe" and "you are appreciated" by President Colleen and the ringing of the cowbell.

Respectfully submitted,

David Anderson



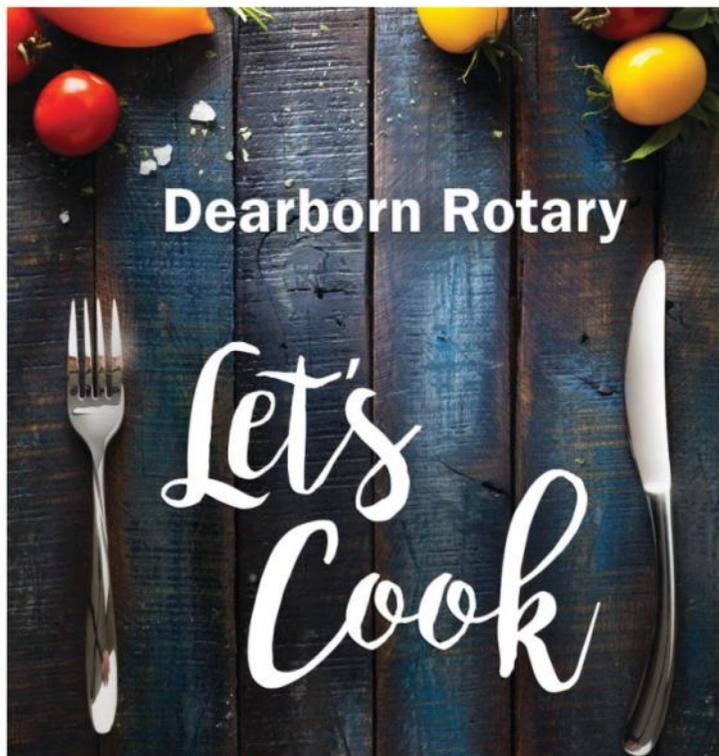
Cook Books for the Holiday

What a great gift for the holiday! Dearborn Rotary is cook'in, and you can too. Buy a cook book for all those difficult gift people on your shopping list.



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2nd Attendee: (same room)Rotarian Yes No

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