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Future Speakers

Jun 28 2012

Jean Pekar-Colling
"UCAT: Fighting Drug Abuse"

Jul 5 2012

President Mike Saigh
"Club Business"

Jul 12 2012

Linda Zott
"CARE: Fighting Substance Abuse"

Jul 19 2012

Dr Michael Henderson
"Preventing Cancer"

Jul 26 2012

Pradip Sengupta
"Coming to America: My Immigrant Story"

Aug 2 2012

Monika Rittner
"Let's Move - Festival of Races"

Aug 9 2012

Howard Kaplan
"The Criminal Justice System"

Aug 16 2012

President Mike Saigh
"Club Business"

Aug 23 2012

DG Don Riddell
"District Governor Annual Visit"

Sep 13 2012

President Mike Saigh
"Club Business"

Sep 20 2012

Judge Kimberley Wiegand
"Going to Court - Everything You Need to Know"

News

Thought for the Week

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WHAT IS ROTARY?



The Purpose of Rotary: Rotary is an organization of business and professional men and women united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

TODAY'S MEETING

President Nick Casteel rang our Rotary bell to call our meeting to order. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance and Four Way Test and Jean O'Brien gave the Invocation. We welcomed our speaker Ron Kagan, director of the Detroit Zoological Society; Paul Good, Manager of Communications and Government Relations; Scott Carter, Chier Life Sciences Officer and Victor Martin of Best Western Sterling Inn and a Board member of the Detroit Zoological Society.



TODAY'S PROGRAM



Ron Kagan, Director of the Detroit Zoological Society (DZS), gave us a very interesting and informative summary of some of the many programs of the Detroit Zoological Society. It is now an independent organization, having been spun off from Detroit a few years ago. The number of visitors continues to grow and exceeded 1.2 million last year. The organization has many programs for all aged - from youngsters to senior citizens and works with other organizations, such as schools, to reach out to the community. One example: last year, working with animal rescuers, it facilitated the adoption of 17,000 dogs and cats. Ron also updated us with pictures of some of the new features at the zoo, such as the carousel, and reported that the new lion area has been completed and we can get "up close and personal" with the lions - because there is glass between the visitors and the animals. The DZS also hosts special events - weddings, banquets, etc. Why not check out the Zoo soon?

NEXT MEETING

On June 28, Jean Pekar-Colling of Utica Community Action Team (UCAT) will speak on "Fighting Drug Abuse."

Please note the calendar on the left side of this newsletter.

It will show our upcoming speakers and events that have been sent to your editor. You can use this information for your own knowledge AND to help you decide which topics will be of special interest to friends whom you would like to invite.

GOLF OUTING



SUCCESS!

Chair Mike Saigh reported that the 14th Annual Ray Filipchuk Memorial Golf Outing was a success with a profit of about \$7100! A **BIG** thank you to all who participated by playing, selling tickets, getting hole signs and sponsors, obtaining prizes, and doing the multitude of tasks on the day of the outing. Thanks, also, to those who stayed after the meeting today to put the 1000 golf balls back in order so they can be returned to the owner. And, of course, thanks to **Mike Saigh** and **Nick Casteel** who led, organized, oversaw, . . . the entire event!

PRESIDENTS NIGHT

Our annual **President's Night** celebration at Penna's was a delightful event, planned and orchestrated by Chair Jean O'Brien. We had fabulous hors d'oeuvres, delicious and varied foods for the family-style dinner and tasty desserts. In addition, we had lovely background music by Rich Sparks' sister and her husband. Then we had the induction of our President for 2012-13, Michael Saigh. Incoming District Governor Don Riddell and his wife Ann; incoming Assistant Governor Dan Hagen and a number of other spouses and guests attended the event, too. At the conclusion of the festivities, all the members with Paul Harris recognitions gathered for a group picture - and the group was very large! Thanks for you 2 years of service as President, Nick. Welcome to the Presidency of our Club, Mike!



ANNOUNCEMENTS



1. Our **JACK OF SPADES RAFFLE** at Roger's Roost is continuing. 2 SH Rotarians will be needed every Monday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm so please check your calendars and prepare to sign up. Please read the rules that Nick emailed to members and contact him if you have questions.

2. We are again collecting gently used children's books for **Macomb Literacy Partners**. They can be brought to a Club meeting or delivered to Marty Brown's office as you gather them. Sources of books include family members, neighbors, garage sales.

2. Please read the **weekly newsletters** and check the **Club website** so that you will be informed about what YOUR Club is doing.

BOARD MEETING

Minutes of the Board Meeting on June 18 will be sent out shortly and will also be posted on the Club website. Thanks, Micki.



ROTARY EVENTS ELSEWHERE



June 28, Thurs, 7:30 - 9:00 PM - **Lakes Area Concert**, Walled Lake. See District website for ticket information or contact Lorrie McVey.

Aug 4, Sat, 6:00-8:00 PM - **Cheers to Rotary, End Polio Now Party**, Direct Buy Club, 33800 W. Nine Mile

Road, Farmington, MI 48335. Tickets \$20 each. Proceeds to RI Polio Fund. Contact Ginger Barrons at reliable@cdnet.net

BITS & PIECES

MEMBERS: If you wish to count participation at our Presidents Night Dinner or our Golf Outing as a **makeup** for a missed meeting, please send me an email telling me what Rotary event you attended and to which missed meeting you wish it applied. Remember, the makeup must occur within 2 weeks of the missed meeting and you are responsible for notifying me.

An **Estate Sale** will take place this weekend, June 22-24, at the former home of Irene Schwartz. The address is 33157 Somerset, Sterling Heights.

The Club received gracious thank you notes from 2 of the students we sponsored to **RYLA**.

Members can read the **Minutes of Board meetings** and the **Monthly Treasurer's Reports!** Log into the Club website. In the section "My ClubRunner" scroll down and choose "View Club Documents." Then click on the date of the minutes or the month of the Treasurer's Report you wish to read. Try it! If you have any problems, contact Club Webmaster John Joyce for help.

Club Website: be sure to check the Club Website regularly, www.sterlingheightsrotary.org for lots of information on what is happening in our Club.

District Website: check www.rotary6380.org to keep up to date on District activities and information. You will find some exciting events hosted by other Clubs under the Local Club Events section - the section with the balloons.

RAFFLE/SHERIFF



Alas, no one got a chance to draw for the Joker because we had no raffle (someone forgot the tickets - hope the Sheriff deals with that next week!). That means t he Joker lives, the pot **grows** and the number of cards left shrinks (or, this week nothing changed!)! Come next week and maybe you will be the lucky winner!

Assistant Sheriff **Rich Sparks** levied fines for infractions, and tardiness. He also fined all those who admitted that they slid through a yellow traffic light in the past week. Yes, many honest people paid up - "Is It The Truth?" is part of our Four-Way Test in Rotary!.

He also collected Happy Bucks: **Jean O'Brien** - happy to support the Club; **Clark Andrews** - congratulations on a great golf outing.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance for June 21: Clark Andrews, Kerm Billeto, Micki Bond, Marty Brown, Nick Casteel, Derek Emanuel, John Joyce, Joyce Joyce, Brian May, Jean O'Brien, Dennis Powers, Mike Saigh, Rich Sparks and guests Scott Carter, Paul Good, Ron Kagan and Victor Martin.

