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Meeting Thursdays

at Noon at the

Holiday Inn

Near the University of Michigan

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‘Back to the Eighties’ with Rotary

The Rotary Club of Ann Arbor North and Jeff Crause of Edward Jones invite you “Back to the Eighties” for a night of fun and games, 80s style, and dancing to the music that made the 80s ROCK! Do you remember … The Cosby Show … Ghostbusters … Trivial Pursuit … Back to the Future … moon walking … the ’84 Tigers … BIG hair …? Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 20, at the newly remodeled Holiday Inn ballroom.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

Our guests this week were: Dick Rosenfield, Jackson Rotary; John Hammond, Lake Shores Rotary; Brad Bowersox, Downtown Ann Arbor Rotary, and our speaker, Eric Jones.

50/50 Winner

Brent Lofgren won the 50/50 this week! Congratulations, Brent!

United Bank and Trust Boosts ‘Warm the Children’ Total

John Arenz announced that United Bank and Trust has donated $80,000 to ‘Warm the Children,” annarbor.com’s campaign to purchase winter clothing for Washtenaw County kids. The fund is currently at $204,000. The goal is $250,000 by February 16, 2013. Thanks, UBT!

Meeting Locale Changes

We will be meeting in a small section of the newly remodeled Holiday Inn Ballroom over the next few weeks, as the renovations continue at the Holiday Inn. Remember to enter through Door A next week. Parking is available in the back (west side) of the building.

Rotary West Charter Night

We are all invited to celebrate Charter Night for Rotary West on Saturday, March 2. President Bob Overhiser said invitations will be appearing soon.

Know a Speaker?

Kelly Mendenhall, our program chair, is requesting names of potential speakers and topics.

B.A.B.E.S.

J 31 Lisa Hudy’s birthday

F 4 Gordon Nordby’s Club

anniversary

F 8 Eric and Kathy Walz’

Wedding anniversary

F 15 Bob Overhiser and Betsy

Slusser’s wedding anniversary

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Feb 7 Natsu Oyobe

Tea Ware & Print Collections

U-M Museum of Art

Feb 14 Thomas Ulch

Travelogue

Feb 21 Richard Detweiler

Great Lakes

Colleges Association

PROGRAM RECAP

*Eric Jones, a field representative for Trans-America Investments, talked to us about Social Security. Kelly Mendenhall introduced our speaker.*

Eric told us that Social Security provides 38 percent of the income for most couples over age 65. The three most common questions that people have about Social Security are:

Is the program going to be there for me when I retire?

At what age should I file for Social Security?

What effect will Social Security payments have on my taxes?

Social Security is expected to be able to pay full benefits through 2036 and will provide 77 percent coverage through 2085. This system of government-guaranteed retirement income has become strained because people are living longer lives and the ratio of workers to beneficiaries is now 3:1.

Traditionally, retirement age has been 65. Now, the age for receiving full benefits from Social Security depends on your birth year. Those born before 1943 can still retire at 65. Workers born between 1944 and 1955 must work until age 66. The retirement age goes up, based on one’s age. For every year that an employed person delays retirement, Social Security benefits grow by 8 percent. The idea is to be able to predict your own life expectancy, always a tricky proposition.

As of 2012, the maximum monthly benefit a worker can receive at age 66 is $2513.

Happy Dollars

Brent Lofgren happy to e at Rotary and to announce a M4M concert Feb 14 at EMU

Lisa Spaulding happy to have spent her first official week as a Rotarian

Bob Overhiser happy that the renovation is nearing completion

Kelly Mendenhall happy that she was able to sign her new lease in her own name

Dick Rosenfield happy to come to RCAAN club meetings when the weather is “iffy”

John Hammond happy to have good info from Dick on how to get to our temporary meeting place with less hassle

Don Broderick happy for more heat and that Lisa did a good job leading the Rotary 4-Way Test.