



THE SPOKE of the Rotary Wheel  
 MOVING WITH THE ACTION of the  
 EAST JORDAN ROTARY CLUB for  
 OVER 75 YEARS

P.O. Box 195  
 East Jordan, MI 49727  
**Tuesday 12:15pm**  
 First Presbyterian Church

**Tuesday, October 2/3, 2018**

Date	Greeter	Invocation	Program
10/9/18	Chip Hansen	Baris Atmaca	Denny Aenis
10/16/18	Bill Lorne	Fred Malpass	Ed Drenth
10/23/18	State of the Community	Harvest Barn	No noon meeting
10/30/18	Unsure	at this	time
11/6/18	Jack Poindexter	Ed Drenth	Chip Hansen
11/13/18	Mark Penzien	Cal Gotts	Debbie Manville
11/20/18	Gary C Roberts	Bill Lorne	Fred Malpass
11/27/18	Paul Michael	Gary W Roberts	Denny Aenis

**BIRTHDAYS**                      **ANNIVERSARIES**                      **STUDENTS 1**   **GUESTS 7**   **ROTARIANS 22**   **VISITING ROTARIANS 0**

Baris Atmaca 10/15  
 John Vincent 10/18

**Announcements**

- The next Board is Monday November 12, 530p at the Police Station, come for a makeup and an understanding how the club runs.
- GreenLight East Jordan Wednesday 10/10, 445p Castle in Charlevoix
- Fall Fest netted just over \$2000! Thanks to all that organized and worked the event!
- An East Jordan Sophomore has put in an application to be our outbound exchange student
- District Grant update-working with the city to install 3 water bottle filling/pet watering stations in 3 parks
- Calendars will be available soon, sell for \$25, club nets \$10. Should make \$1000
- LindGap was chosen as the club’s International Project, with the club match up to \$1000 don’t hesitate to donate there will be program in the future about the LindGap orphanage.
- EREY – Currently at ~\$2200.00, mostly by a couple of donors – please support by donating \$100.00, New year, time to donate again, make your donations online, donating online is your only option going forward. There will be some education on the process in the future.
- Paul is always looking for Family Fare slips. He is up to \$140,000 in slips, another \$10,000 and he’ll get a \$1000 donation to the scholarship program, specifically the Voc-Ed scholarship.
- Lois was presented with her THIRD Paul Harris Fellow! Way to go Lois!

**Program** Lingap John Drake Board of Directors and Jojin Ladroma Center Manager

John retired from CMS as a Senior VP of HR. He was sent wherever they were building, needing to know the employees and the work and labor situations. John ended up visiting Cabu, Philippines for a project. A lot of labor union issues=spending a lot of time in the Philippines. Work weekdays and ‘hide’ on weekends. Got tired of the wall around the resorts, went exploring, found a squatter village. Was bothered by the differences between have and have nots. Don’t make eye contact with beggars. On 2/27/2002 CMS got out of the international markets, intending to leave forever. John arranged for CMS 16 computers to be donated to the school system in Toledo City, with any donation, there needs to be a photo op with mayor. The Toledo City mayor called him the ‘Orphan Guy’ and asked him to renovate and run a facility. John asked to be shown the orphanage, the Lingap Center. Lingap means emergency shelter, it was in an old pig slaughter house, the kids had (did save kids) no water, food, school, or church. His heart was shattered, changed life forever. First time really made eye contact, made it all real. He left w/o expecting to be back

there again. Tried to forget, couldn't forget faces. He had 'Bad dreams.' About a year later, he finally shared experiences. 'Called' went back to try to find all the reasons this would fail. Church welcomed the orphans, school welcomed them, and mayor 'gave' the land. As hard as he tried, he couldn't fail, everything came together. Built an orphanage (not in the old slaughterhouse) in Philippines, current building houses 100 kids. By 2006, 25 college graduates 1 master's degree, 1 nursing program =>medical school next year. Current 10 in college. Church one day a month, kids service, 5000 kids January 2016, all kids fed at all masses. Many typhoons every year, kids wanted to share food with others. Kids wanted to 'Pay' for donated food by not eating. Sent food, kids did not 'pay'. Lingap was named number 1 organization of its kind in the Philippines. Jojin, Lingap's social worker believes in John and what he does/believes. Full filling work. Recurring donations of \$25/month into Lingap's 'A Place at the Table, supports a kid (any kid) so no one is turned away.