



Rotary District 6380 Newsletter

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CALENDAR

•	1 July
President's Brunch Ann Arbor North	•
4 July	•
Hungry Duck Run Livingston Sunrise	•
12 July	•
Meet the Governor Night, 6-10 p.m.	LAZY J Ranch, Milford MI
27 July	•
Tigers Baseball Game Troy	•
7 Aug	•
Sterling Heights National Night Out	Sterling Heights
26 Sept.	•
Troy Rotary and American Red Cross Blood Drive	•
28 Nov.	•
Troy Rotary and American Red Cross Blood Drive	•
14-16 March, 2019 Great Lakes PETS	•

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www.Rotary6380.org

The 25th of the previous month is the
deadline for articles and photos for the
district newsletter that is sent out on the
first of the next month.

Send to Linda May at
lindamay@ameritech.net

❖ ■ District Governor 2018-2019 Jane McManus

It's a new Rotary Year!

Mike and I are very grateful to be following Barry and Carolyn Fraser, our good friends, on our leadership journey. It has been an honor to serve with them on the governor team for 2017-2018. Now it's my time to serve all of you in District 6380 for the next year. I'm both humbled and proud to be your governor.

Over the last five years I have been able to meet and get to know many of you and your clubs. From small to big, you have shown me engaging and inspired clubs that are dedicated to changing our world and communities. This puts us in alignment with the Rotary vision statement. ***"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves."***

Rotary's theme this year is "Be the Inspiration." Our new Rotary International President, Barry Rassin, has certainly been an inspiration to me and he is an engaging, dedicated leader for all of us. We have the flexibility to become stronger and more vibrant. As we develop new ideas and solutions, we will be able to better serve our communities and the world.



I am looking forward to visiting all of your clubs in the next months and finding out the great things you are doing!

Please join me and our team at the Meet the Governor event this July 12 at the Lazy J Ranch, 625 South Hickory Ridge Road, Milford, MI from 6 to 10 p.m. You can register on the district website, www.rotary6380.org

From Immediate past DG Barry Fraser

It has been a real honour to be the Rotary District 6380 Governor in 2017-18. What a privilege to witness and experience all that takes place in our clubs with *People of Action - Making a Difference!*

You have helped people in your community and in various parts of the world of all ages and walks of life through giving a helping hand. You are also a major part of supporting and celebrating with each other in every day events. You have continued with traditional projects and took on the challenge to start new approaches to bring about change.

Congratulations! How proud you and I certainly are of all your club's efforts, along with having fun! Please continue with efforts to educate others of ways to decrease the algae bloom in Lake Erie. Plus continue to support mental health topics at both your club level and into your respective communities. Also enjoy watching all those 3,000+ trees you planted or to be planted grow. You are part of making the Earth a better place.

I now pass all our district's enthusiasm and energy of "Making a Difference" on to DG Jane McManus.

She has the knowledge, passion and sincerity to leave her mark for District 6380. I have always appreciated the support and advice Jane has given me when ever I asked. She is a great team player and will certainly "Be an Inspiration" for the district in 2018-19. We wish her and her spouse Mike all the best as she takes on the challenge of leadership.

Carolyn and I have certainly appreciated and thank you for all the warmth and cooperation you extended to us and being part of all that you have accomplished. You continue to make the district look great. We wish Jane and all of your clubs the best. We hope to continue to be part of all that Rotary does which ever side of the bridge/tunnel/ferry we happen to be.

The Rotary District Conference 2018 had two primary themes:

- 1) Harmful Algae Summer Blooms in Lake Erie
- 2) Youth Mental Health

The conference had a themed feature speaker followed by three panelists and a facilitated brainstorming session for each theme. Rotary members agreed that both themes need to move into initiatives at the club and district levels going into 2018-19. Volunteers did come forward during these sessions as well as names of members at the club level to further move into possible action strategies.

With youth mental health, directions may include taking a local community assessment of services needed, identifying supporting community partners which could speak at club meetings, naming of club and district mental health chairs and developing collective action strategies reflective of those community needs.

With the Algae Blooms and Safe Water of the Lake Erie Environment brainstorming session educational community awareness, messaging with speakers at club meetings and developing partnerships with community-based and government agencies were urged. Developing a Multi-District Global Grant for the Western Basin of Lake Erie and outreach to schools through Rotary clubs also offer strong options.

District Action Committees are in the process of being set up o move these opportunities forward.

Rotary International District/Club Tree Planting Initiative – 2017/18

RI 2017/18 President Ian Riseley's Tree Planting Challenge has been a fantastic success! You may see an up-to-date summary by district on the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group (ESRAG) website. We are pleased to report that our District 6380 has planted over 3,000 trees of this total! Thanks to all of the clubs who have been able to plant trees to recognize this major initiative. If you or your club have not already reported to your assistant governor, then please do so to be part of this total. Not only has President Riseley's challenge inspired Rotarians around the world to plant trees, it has also engaged Rotarians with their environment and with the importance of individuals being involved in environmental protection and sustainability. Through the beauty of trees, Rotarians can see that a healthy environment is the backbone of all of Rotary's six areas of focus.

Submitted by Lynn Morgan, President, Farmington Rotary Club ~ One of the winning essays in our club's "The Four-Way Test" essay contest. I think it is a great parody of Barry's year as DG.

"Journey"

Power Middle School, Sydney Chap, Grade 8

Miles away from his home, Barry was in an unknown land. He went in search of a truth that his town did not have, the 4 ways. It was known to be the answer to all problems. Those ways would put an end to all war and conflicts. Barry went over great distances as he traveled over land, water, and air. As he hiked, he imagined all the wonders a power like that would yield. His leader and his family would be proud of him. Suddenly, the air felt lighter. Photosynthesis gleamed in every corner of that jungle as sunlight filtered through the green leaves. There was definitely a healthier amount of oxygen than the carbon dioxide that littered the atmosphere only two feet before him. He smiled when he realized he reached his destination. He kept walking when suddenly, a bunny hopped on to his path. She transformed into a woman named Pobauni. She lived in the town of Rotary. Then she asked Barry to follow her, and he did.

After an hour of walking, they reached the village. The scene was serene with beautiful snow-capped mountains and lush meadows which were filled with either flowers or cattle. On the other side of his peripheral vision, he saw peaceful villagers. He thought everything was perfect. Still, one thing confused him. Why was everything here unblemished unlike the rest of the world? Where could he get this power of happiness to bring back with him? When he asked Pobauni, she answered that no power was used. The 4 Ways were standards that all of the villagers learned. They ask themselves four things. First, "is it the truth?" Second, "is it fair to all concerned?" Third, "will it build goodwill and better friendships?" Fourth, "will it be beneficial to all concerned?" That is the way the Rotary villagers live by. He was taken back by the answer that all the culminating life was all from within. Then, he imagined his family and all of the people in his town living like this.

He decided that he would bring this culture with him back home with him. Now as he treaded towards his town, he thought deeply. He thought about the 4 Ways and questioned his every move. The journey was therefore smoother than expected. In fact, it was almost perfect. He arrived one foot over the town line to hoards of cheering. He silenced them and made his speech. He said that he didn't find any magical power. He told them about his journey and the wonders of the Rotary village. Most importantly, he taught his fellow citizens the 4 ways. Even more surprisingly, they listened. Then, everyone went home and tried to follow the rules. Exactly at the moment when the last villager fell into the rhythm of the peacefulness of the changed town, the town became brighter and everything felt like it was finally being embarked on its movement. The whole world was finally rotating the right way.

**Submitted by Lynn Morgan
Therese L. McFarland**

Therese McFarland is the director of development and communications for Daughters of Charity International Project Services, an arm of the International Company, headquartered in Paris, France.



Working to grow the U.S. international development and services office since 2006, the team facilitates resources to sustain diverse health, education and social services at the grassroots level in 65 resource-poor countries. Many programs encompass social justice issues and encourage peace. She has a lengthy history with nonprofit organizations including expertise in fund development, grants research and writing, program development and evaluation, marketing and PR, management and volunteer organization, and publications. Her background includes teaching and course development, and she has held marketing positions with for-profit business entities. She has a bachelor's degree and post-degree certification in education.

With the sponsorship of the Farmington Rotary Club, regarding my application, on behalf of The Rotary Foundation, I received this tremendous opportunity to join the 2018 session - Professional Development Certificate Program in Peace and Conflict Resolution at the Rotary Peace Center in Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand.

- 2018 Rotary Peace Fellowship for studies as part of the Rotary Peace Centers program
- 23 Rotary Peace Fellows will be attending the June 2018 Program
- They represent 16 different countries globally
- The program commences on June 11 and continues through August 31, 2018
- The curriculum is comprised of several modules of learning and lectures dedicated to the understanding, analysis and application of strategies and tools regarding conflict and peace-building
- Some modules include: Concept and Values of Peace and Conflict Studies, Analysis of Conflict, Conflict Resolution Skills and Strategies, and Building Sustainable Peace.
- The program will include field study opportunities outside of Bangkok – one in country and one to another country.

I look forward to sharing my experience upon my return in September.

If you would like to learn more about the Peace Fellowship opportunities available, check out The Rotary Foundation at the following:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>

Welcome Rotary Year 2018-2019 Where Rotarians Will “Be the Inspiration”

■ Submitted by Ginger Barrons, Polio Co-Chair

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome in our new district governor Jane McManus and all the Rotarians stepping into leadership roles for 2018-2019. I look forward to working with you as we continue the journey of eradicating polio.

Please have your club polio chair reach out to me and let me know who they are. Throughout the year I will have special messages to pass along to them but I need to know whom to send them too.

Just a reminder, the annual RI requested per club donation to PolioPlus is \$1,500. Please keep this in mind while planning your fundraising and budget activities.

The Rotary International conference is wrapped up and my spirits have been raised by the inspirational words of many relating to Rotary's efforts regarding polio.

Please take some time to go to Rotary.org and listen to conference speeches from H.R.H. Princess Anne and the Director General of World Health Organization.

If you ever wondered if Rotary has been at this task too long, these two inspirational speakers will remove your doubts. The work we do in saving the children of the world is not just another project or a campaign. It is lifesaving and has additional positive outcomes in the areas of peace and conflict resolution as well as world health.

The model we created will live on long past the eradicating of polio and is something all Rotarians can truly be proud of.

WORLD POLIO DAY OCT. 24 and PIZZA for POLIO EVENT

October 24 Rotarians around the world will be celebrating World Polio Day.



We hope all the clubs in our district will consider taking part in a Pizza for Polio event. If your club needs assistance in planning this event, please contact me soon.

We have experienced Rotarians ready to assist you with planning and contacts for this fundraising and advocacy event. Not only will your participation bring awareness to our PolioPlus efforts but it will also bring community awareness for your Rotary club.



- **Ginger Barrons, District 6380 Polio Co Chair – Gbarrons1@mi.rr.com or 248-348-5244**
- **PDG Keith Koke, District 6380 Polio Co Chair – keith@ciaccess.com**

Bloomfield Hills Rotary Cleans Up and Passes the Gavel

■ Submitted by Janette Phillips

In June, the Bloomfield Hills Rotary Club continued its mission to perform meaningful service each and every month.

In June 16, members came together to beautify Mercy Place in downtown Pontiac. Mercy Place is a free outpatient clinic affiliated with St. Joseph Mercy Oakland, which provides comprehensive health care, treatment and prevention to uninsured people who do not qualify for other health care alternatives. Most clients come from the Pontiac area, but the clinic also serves select, northern Oakland County ZIP Codes. The free clinic is supported by volunteer physicians who donate their time



and generous donors who endorse the Mercy mission of caring for all, regardless of their ability to pay. Mercy Place focuses on working for the common good through advancing the health status of the community. The Bloomfield Hills Rotary Club put in more than 22 man hours of time that Saturday morning. Rotary member Tim Holden, who owns Holden Landscaping, generously donated his time, staff, power tools and flats of flowers to assist our club and beautify the grounds.

On Wednesday, June 20, the club passed the president's gavel to Janette Phillips. John Wilson, immediate past president, led the club through a very tumultuous year, and Janette will begin her tenure with a committed group of Rotarians who firmly believe in service above self and in helping the local community. During our meeting, we welcomed Tim Holden back to the club and initiated Charlie Hollerith, principal of Bloomfield Hills High School. Charlie provided leadership enabling the formation of a new Interact Club in January and was a Rotarian many years ago in Illinois. Welcome Charlie and welcome back Tim! We look forward to what the new year brings!



Submitted by Kahli Small ~ Southfield Area Rotary

is excited to have completed its first year! We are even more excited to have welcomed our very first Interact club at Southfield A&T High School. In the coming months they will complete a new Social Entrepreneurship and Leadership Training course (introduced by our club), and develop their first service project. We expect big things from these new young Rotarians in the making, so keep your eyes on them.

Chatham Rotary Club

■ Submitted by Tania Sharpe

The last few months of the Rotary year have been exciting as we have given out a lot of funds to our community. Funds were provided to the Women's Shelter, Access Open Minds – a site for teen mental health assistance, Summer Reading Club at the Chatham Branch of CKPL and the Minor Baseball Association. In total, the club donated \$25,500 to these worthy local charities. Our final donation of the year was made to Ralph's Rickshaw Ride for Polio. The club generously donated \$1,000. District Governor Barry Fraser, President-Elect Jennifer Hill were on hand to greet Ralph when he arrived in Chatham on June 16. Sadly we also had to say goodbye to Ien Wei our exchange student but we hope he can visit us again!



Access Open Minds – left to right Peter Cook, Tom McCarthy, Cindy Storey, Tom Storey, Jennifer Hill, Tania Sharpe, Alysson Storey-Davidson and Barry Fraser



Rickshaw Ralph, Jennifer Hill, Barry Fraser, Tony Hill and Carolyn Fraser



Ien Wei

Dexter Rotary Club Recognizes High School Seniors with STRIVE Scholarship Awards – We Love Dexter

■ Submitted by Karl Fink

From Rotary Club Sponsor Joe Evans:

Each year, the Dexter Rotary Club sponsors several college STRIVE (Students Taking a Renewed Interest In the Value of Education) scholarships for Dexter High School seniors. This year, the Rotary club awarded scholarship packages to six Dexter Dreadnaught students during the annual Senior Honors Program held June 7 at the Dexter High School Center for Performing Arts. Scholarships are tailored to each student's specific needs.

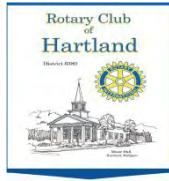
One STRIVE scholarship, known as the "James Brady Scholarship," is awarded with distinction and was presented to Andrew Lloyd who plans on attending Washtenaw Community College this fall to study in a field leading to a career in the aviation industry. Other awardees included Brielle Chalou, Marissa Buck, Hunter Christunas, Taylor Kurth, and Vantino Madison. Each of these students plans to attend Washtenaw Community College, except for Hunter, who will attend Glen Oaks Community College.

These scholarships are more than a simple cash award. Each scholarship represents a commitment from the Rotary Club to that student's attainment of a postsecondary education degree. Awardees are assigned a mentor, enrolled in a 9-month health and fitness program at the Dexter Wellness Center, and are eligible for future tuition assistance and professional development along their higher education journey.

Congratulations to these deserving students!



DHS Rotary STRIVE Scholar awardees (left to right): Brielle Chalou, Marissa Buck, Hunter Christunas, Joe Evans (Rotary Club sponsor), Taylor Kurth, Andrew Lloyd and Vantino Madison



Hartland Rotary Presents The 3rd Annual Sporting Clays Event

This year's annual Clay Shoot will support:

- ★ Reaching Higher
- ★ Meals on Wheels
- ★ Big Brothers Big Sisters



Held on Thursday, August 9th, 2018
at the Michigan Shooting Center, Island Lake Recreation Center

1:00 pm - Registration

1:45 pm - Safety/Rules Review

2:00 pm - Shotgun Start

5-7 pm - After Glow Hosted By: 1-800 Water Damage
7792 Boardwalk Rd., Brighton, MI 48116

-Rental guns available upon request-



1st Place Rotary Team wins Rotary Shooting Trophy

1st Place Shooter \$200

Other Prizes for Shooters by Class

-Lewis Class Scoring System-

SPONSORSHIPS

- Major Sponsor** - Prominent position, 1 team, and entry in the Heads/Tails - **\$2,500** SOLD: Hartland Insurance Agency, Inc
- Title Sponsor** - Your company name on all promotional material and a 3'x6' banner (2 available) - **\$1,500** 1 SOLD: Brighton Ford
- After Glow Sponsor** - **\$750**
- Safety Sponsor** - Acknowledgment during safety presentation and lunch - **\$350** SOLD: Dr. Lee and Lois Halsted
- Station Sponsor** - Your company sign at a station (15 available) - **\$250 each**
- Award Sponsor** - Your company name acknowledged during lunch and presentation of awards - **\$250** SOLD: Schaller Law Firm, PLC
- Ammo Sponsor** - Your company logo on all boxes of shells - **\$200** SOLD: Greg Kirchmeier/Edward Jones
- Hat Sponsor** - SOLD: Redi Wall

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Phone Number: _____ Sponsorship(s): _____ Cost: _____

CLAY SHOOT PARTICIPANTS

Individual - **\$100** *Includes 3 boxes of 12 or 20 gauge shells for sporting clays, After Glow, fun, and good fellowship.*

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: THURSDAY, August 2nd 2018

Company: _____ Contact Name: _____
Phone Number: _____ Number of Participants: _____ Cost: _____

PARTICIPANTS

All Shooters will be placed on teams of 5

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2.	5.
3.	

NUMBER OF RENTAL GUN(S) NEEDED:

(limited number of guns available)

Make checks payable to Hartland Rotary and mail to **10051 E. Highland Rd. Ste. 29-137 Howell, MI 48843**
Questions? Call (313)-418-8325

Rotary Club of Howell TOUR de LIVINGSTON

Register online at turdelivingston.org

FAMILY FUN LOOP, ISLAND LAKE ROUTE & RECREATIONAL RIDES

An easy novice route consisting of paved bike paths, low to no traffic & neighborhoods. Some routes with ice cream shops near the halfway point. Est. 5,10 or 20 miles.

Island Lake Route

This is bike-friendly with paths and park roadways within Island Lake and Kensington Parks. Great for families, beginners, or those that prefer to ride on roads less travelled. Routes will include 5, 10, and 20-mile options with hospitality stops every 6 miles. Island Lake route riders must register at Mt. Brighton, drive to Island Lake for ride and return to Mt. Brighton for lunch.

EXPERT ROAD BIKE ROUTES

Spend the day enjoying the countryside of Livingston County. Three different expert level loops begin and end at Mt. Brighton. Choose to ride 38-mile Parks Loop, 62-mile Metric Century, or combine to ride a Century Route. All distances are approximate!

SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 7, 2018

The Howell Rotary Club is offering a fully supported bike tour through scenic Livingston County during peak autumn colors, as well as the exclusive opportunity to ride the GM Proving Grounds (Milford Road Course).

Begin and end your ride at the Mt. Brighton Ski Area, located at 4141 Bauer Road, Brighton, Michigan. We'll have breakfast ready for you before you hit the road for the route of your choice. Hospitality stations will be located along the routes and a post-ride meal will be waiting when you return.

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Rotary Club of Milan

■ Submitted by Dutch Nie President 2017-18

More than 50 people, Rotarians, family and friends gathered at Tri-County Sportsman's League on June 19 for the President's Night BBQ to celebrate the accomplishments of the 2017-18 Rotary year and to get excited about the 2018-19 year which started on July 1.

The attendees enjoyed a good ole fashion BBQ cooked over a charcoal grill, trimmed with all the traditional picnic sides and wonderful desserts while enjoying an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

President Dutch Nie thanked the board, committee chairs and members for all of their hard work this last year and highlighted some of the wonderful accomplishments that "our little club" had achieved including the new membership and dues structure changes had resulted in 14 new members joining the club through Individual, Corporate or Honorary membership categories. More members equal more accomplishments.

He recounted the new social hour events held throughout the year, some for just fellowship, and others for fundraising including Cupcake Wars to raise money for the annual Christmas

Basket Program conducted with Aid In Milan, Pizza4Polio, which raised money to eradicate polio from the face of the earth, and Bowling for Fisher House, a joint event held with the Rotary Club of Ann Arbor North, which raised funds for the construction of the first Fisher House in Michigan.

Members were reminded of the many community events that Rotarians support through their World Famous Pancake Breakfasts including the Simmons MS Pancakes for Parents, Milan Main Streets Winter and Summerfests, and Relay for Life, to name a few.

Other events including Milan Feeds the World project, where the community came together to package over 20,000 dried food rations which will distributed locally, globally and stored for disasters, and the annual Christmas basket program, where we partner with Aid in Milan to purchase, pack and distribute "baskets" of needed sundry items during holidays to area families in need, this year we more than doubled our usually number of 33 baskets with a total of 83 baskets distributed, were also celebrated.

The Derby Dinner & Auction raised a

record of over \$21,500 this year which provided the club the opportunity to support many local and international organizations including Aid in Milan, American Heritage Girls, Milan Main Street, Moving Milan Forward, Milan High School Choir and Theatre, Milan Historical Society, two \$1,500 scholarships for two high school seniors, Rotary Youth Leadership Award Scholarship, Rotary Tree Planting event at the district conference, supplies for a medical mission and the Rotary Foundation to name a few.

Not only did the club achieve a 100 percent member contribution of \$100 to the Rotary Foundation, three members were awarded an additional Paul Harris Fellowship, which is awarded every time an individual member's contribution reaches \$1,000, Tom Preston received his fifth, Bryan Girbach his second and Dutch Nie his third, and were presented by District Governor Barry Fraser who was attending with his wife Carolyn.

It was a great evening to reflect on how active and fun the Milan Rotary Club is and how if you want to JOIN LEADERS, EXCHANGE IDEAS AND TAKE ACTION you should come visit and get involved.



Rotary Club of Motorcycling Rotarians to Charter on July 2, 2018

■ Submitted by Gerry Jackson, PDG

After a long learning and growing process, District 6380 is proud to announce the upcoming charter of its first e-club – the Rotary Club of Motorcycling Rotarians. First conceived over two years ago and launching its provisional status in March of 2017, the club has now grown to 25 active members. Our active members are from all over the USA and Canada and with the exception of me, Gerry Jackson, all the rest of the active members physically reside outside of our district. Thus, on July 2, our district grew by 24 Rotarians.

Our “community” is our love of motorcycles as most (but not all) of these Rotarians actually have and ride a motorcycle. Of the 25 new active members, six are new Rotarians for the first time (although one is a former exchange student from our district), eight are former Rotarians and the remaining 11 are transferring their memberships from another club.



Under the new provisions of honorary membership in a club, our club has established a specific sub-category of honorary membership the club-specific category of “associate members.” By our definition, these are existing Rotarians that want to maintain their active membership in their current club, yet also participate in the activities of this new club. So in addition to our 25 active members, we are chartering our club with an additional 27 associate members, including four other PDGs, for a total of 52 members. One of our associate members, Paul Schissler, is also from our district. We are pleased that our associate members include Rotarians from USA, Canada and the Honduras. Several of these associates, have committed to transfer their active membership in our club at the end of this calendar year.

We are also very excited that we are in the midst of funding our very first international project. You might recall District 6380's rather large 3H grant (spearheaded by Linda Eastman of the Rochester Rotary Club) from several years ago whereby through that grant the district was able to fund the education and assignment of a native Mayan to become the nurse practitioner that runs the day to day operations of Casa Colibri (the medical mission clinic in northwest Guatemala which we largely associate with Rochester Rotarians Dr. Jay and Linda Eastman).

Mateo, the nurse practitioner that runs the clinic, must travel a great distance from his home village to our clinic each Monday and return to his home each Friday relying on a long and arduous trip by public transport or a dangerous trek through the mountains on foot. Our club has taken on the task of providing Mateo with a refurbished 4WD truck which we expect he will have use of by the end of this summer. Any donations to help us with this project would be graciously accepted.

As you can quite imagine with this a one-of-a-kind club in our new Rotary world, we have gone and continue to go through many new experiences at letting Rotary excel in this new way. Now our district is also challenged to learn and transform in new ways to be able to support the club and these new styles of Rotarians.

Please join me in congratulating my new club, the Rotary Club of Motorcycling Rotarians. While you are at it, consider a makeup at one of our Tuesday evening e-meetings (connection info located on our website: motorcyclingrotarianseclub.org).

Mount Clemens Rotary Club

■ Compiled by Linda May



Tom Isett, Sam D'Angelo and Valerie Miller plant at the Lutz School for Work Experience. Link to a story in *The Macomb Daily* about the club:
<https://tinyurl.com/yb8lx722>



Rotarian Amanda Oparka of the Clinton River Watershed Council gave an update on the new kayak launch named after the late Rotarian, Neil Dempsey. It is on the Clinton River at MacArthur Park with picnic tables, kayak and bike racks, and an informational kiosk. Rotarian Ken Kish recently wrote a column for The Macomb Daily on this project. Over \$5,000 donated by Mount Clemens Rotarians in honor of Neil went to the project. The Clinton River is now fully navigable from Auburn Hills to Lake St. Clair.



You are Invited to:
The dedication of the Tomlinson Arboretum Informational and Wayfaring Kiosk in Clinton Township
Club members Ray Glime, Robert Cannon and Don Green are instrumental in the development of the Tomlinson Arboretum, 25 acres of native trees and wildflowers.

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We recently distributed the checks from our spring fundraiser to the beneficiaries. They included: **Turning Point Shelter Inc. \$8,200**, Rotarian Karan Bates-Gasior stated the money would fund the summer camp for the shelter kids. The money pays for staff, field trips and other activities for the children who otherwise would be stuck inside all day all summer. **Macomb Family YMCA \$8,000** Rotarian Steve Krankota shared a story of a little boy who was food insecure at home and the Y intervened. **Loan Rose Foundation \$7,500** Rotarian Glenn Burton and Nancy Dedenbach made a recent trip to the Haitian school for 60 children that also helps their parents find employment. **Macomb Food Bank \$7,500** Last year the MFB distributed 2.7 million pounds of food to 50 food pantries. One hundred percent of the money will purchase food. Also, club members recently volunteered at the food bank and sorted food. **Baker College \$8,000** Rotarian Patty Kaufman, college president, stated the money will help fund the dental clinic. Hundreds of patients are seen each month for teeth cleaning, X-rays, etc. Each patient goes home with a dental hygiene care kit that bears the Mount Clemens Rotary logo. **Care House** speaker Dorie Vazquez-Nolan from Care House who recently applied for membership in the club, accepted \$5,000 from Mount Clemens Rotary Foundation and \$1,000 from the Macomb County Rotary Foundation. Dorie said the money will fund expansion into southern Macomb County where an office with counselors and nurses. **CARE of Southeastern Michigan** \$5,000 from Mount Clemens Rotary Foundation and \$2,000 from Macomb County Rotary Foundation. Rotarian Monique Stanton said the funds will support their four summer camps where children build leadership skills to help others and learn to cope with family members with substance abuse. **Martha T. Berry Foundation \$8,000** Our money funded new flooring, wall coverings and furniture in the residential facility's patient lounge.



The Rotary club enjoyed a day at Jimmy John's Field in Utica, Michigan on June 24. President Sam D'Angelo threw out the first pitch. We had a great time and showed much Rotary spirit in the community!



Linda May (with Sam D'Angelo) was recognized by the district for her contributions to the district newsletter as well as the club Spokesperson."

Rochester Rotary Dedicates Park Monument to Community Leader Bill Potere

■ Submitted by John Somerville

On a beautiful Tuesday afternoon, almost 100 people gathered in Rotary Gateway Park, next to the library in downtown Rochester, to witness the dedication of a new sundial monument. Inscribed on the front, the word IMAGINE, succinctly encapsulated the life of a Rochester community leader, the late William R. Potere.

Bill Potere grew up in Rochester and eventually took over his father's funeral home, which is now called the Potere-Modetz Funeral Home. Unbeknownst to many, Bill was the quiet visionary behind many aspects of Rochester's most well-known institutions including the Arts & Apples Festival, the Christmas Parade, and the Rochester Downtown Development Authority. Bill was also a dedicated member of the Rochester Rotary Club, spending many years volunteering and raising money for local and international charities.

"Bill Potere was a quiet, imaginative leader," said fellow Rotary member Bill Ebinger. "Someone would come to him with a problem and then Bill would come back, an hour, a day, a week later with an idea that somehow worked perfectly for everyone involved. He was a real visionary and Rochester wouldn't be the same without him."

Several people made moving tributes to Bill during the dedication including former Rochester College basketball coach Garth Pleasant and funeral home director John Modetz.

Bob Lytle, founder of Lytle Pharmacy and noted children's author, also read a poem he wrote in honor of Bill.

*We'll miss him when we need someone to imagine up a scheme
To make our town a better place - to be captain of our team.*

*Born and raised in Rochester, his father's funeral home
Got him nicknamed "Digger" before he was half grown.*

*Even then, if troubles 'rose, his pals would come and say,
"We got this problem, Digger. Can you fix it - yesterday?*

*And they'd step back and watch him work, might be an hour or two.
Then he'd say, "I got it, boys. Here's what you should do."*

*And always it was fair for all, sensible and bright.
He'd get us on the straightest course - and it would turn out right.*

*'Cuz Digger had this special gift, imagining a way
To solve a challenge, great or small, and make it go away.*

*So as he grew, when troubles faced us in our growing town
With Art 'n Apples, Rotary, our rivers, up and down,*

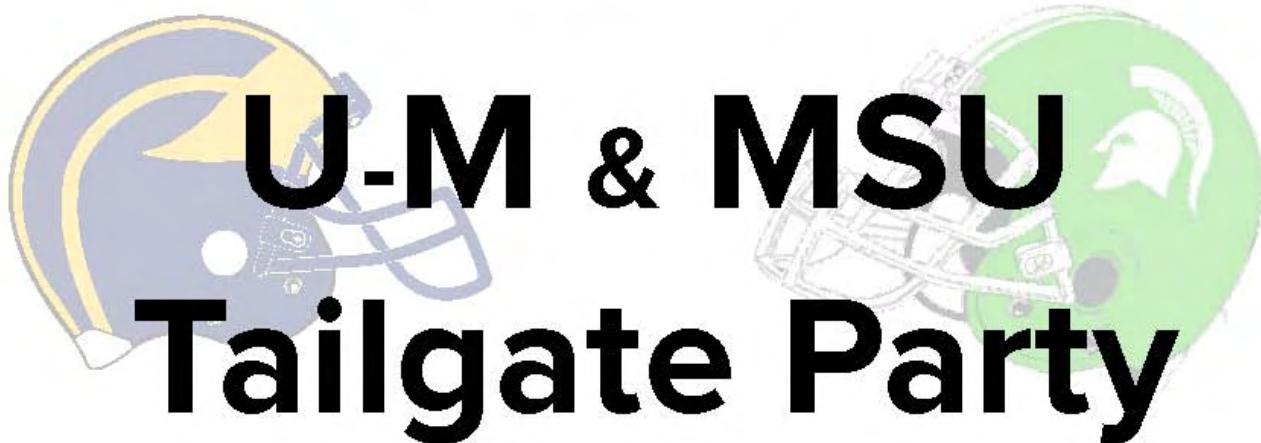
*Well, always there was Digger, his cleverness, we knew,
Would solve it for the DDA, his league or Oakland U.*

*Imagine's what he did the best. He did it for us all,
From thorny downtown matters to teeing up a ball.*

*We'll miss him most when someone needs to 'magine up a way
To make our town a better place to live and work and play.*



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