



## Greetings Fellow Playmakers - Peacemakers, Rotarians of TEAM 6.3.8.0.

### Coach's Corner



**G**reetings TEAM 6.3.8.0 Rotarians

Our new club, Ann Arbor West was officially chartered on December 12 (12/12/12!) That should be pretty easy to remember. Plans are for a charter night celebration on March 2. Please save the date, details to follow. This will truly be an evening to Celebrate Rotary, and congratulations to all the charter members of our newest TEAM 6.3.8.0 club. Bob Overhiser is serving as charter president.

The Rotary wheel keeps turning, and the next cycle of training began January 25 and 26, as DGE Jim Gilmore, fresh back from the International Assembly in San Diego and District Trainer Mary Sloan, conducted a two-day training of our new class of assistant governors.

It really is quite amazing that our organization can change leadership every year. A new Rotary International President, 532 new district governors, many new assistant governors and 34,000 new club presidents – every year. And we do not miss a beat! That's because all of us are focused on Service above Self.

*From President Sakuji Tanaka,  
in the new issue of the Rotarian:*

*"When we put Service Above Self, we are making a choice. We are choosing to put other people's needs ahead of own desires. We are saying, 'Your problems are my problems, and I care enough to help you'."*

*"Rotary brings peace by addressing the needs that cause conflict: the need for clean water, for nutrition, sanitation and health care. When these needs are met, there is opportunity. And there is hope. Hope has no borders. It is the garden from which peace can grow."*

*"Peace through Service brings out the best in us. It makes us aware of the borders we set up around ourselves -- and it helps us tear them down."*



Every day, when we perform our many great deeds, when we make the great plays we do, we are each Playmakers / Peacemakers. And hopefully, those so less fortunate than us will be able to live in Peace.



Final details are being worked on for our upcoming championship game at the Royal Park Hotel in Rochester. Registration for the April 26-27 district conference will be open within two or three weeks. Fantastic speakers include Yilin

Zhang, a Global Grant Scholar from Troy, and ShelterBox Representative, Alan Monroe (in Rotary wheel photo). ShelterBox is now a strategic partner of Rotary International.

In addition, Youth Exchange, many exciting breakout sessions, the wildly famous "Mad Hour of Rotary!" AND MORE! We can't share the whole game plan yet. Please mark your calendars and join Ann and me.



Coach Don

## Meet Your Assistant Coaches



**AG Brian McDonald**  
Sector 1

- Blenheim
- Chatham
- Ridgetown
- Thamesville

**B**rian was invited to join the Tilbury Rotary Club in May 1993. Since joining Rotary he has been club president in 1997-98 as well as from November 2007 to June 2009. He has been sergeant-at-arms for the club in 1996-97 as well as 2004-2006. Brian has served the district on the finance committee 2006-2010 and as assistant governor for Sector 1 since 2010.

Brian is a certified general accountant and has worked in public practice for 42 years. He was a founding partner in EPR Rieger McDonald (now EPR Rieger Bray Hohl), since semi-retiring in 2002. He has served on the local CGA board from 1986-1992, being chapter chairperson in 1990-91 and was also on the board of directors for the Tilbury Golf Club from 1984-86.

Brian and his wife Kathy, a retired teacher have two adult daughters and a grandson who is 2 1/2. In their leisure time they enjoy golf, camping and travel. They have been to three international conferences and are planning to be in Lisbon for 2013. They are also both Paul Harris Fellows.

**AG Henry Dotson**  
Sector 8

- Clarkston
- Ortonville
- Oxford
- Waterford

**H**enry joined the Taylor, Michigan Rotary Club in 1991, serving as a board member, secretary and treasurer prior to becoming President in 2001 until 9-11-2001 when he was called to active duty with the military.

Henry has been a member of the Mount Clemens and Rochester Rotary Clubs prior to joining the Auburn Hills Rotary Club in 2009, serving as president in 2011-12. He is a Paul Harris Fellow recipient. Professionally, Henry has worked in city government with the City of Taylor, as well as serving with the Michigan Air National Guard. He finished his professional career on active duty with the U.S. Air Force. He also serves as an adjunct professor at Oakland Community College. He holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University.

Henry is actively involved with Detroit's Shriners supporting programs for "crippled" children, a member of the Oakland Literacy Council and a member of Auburn Hills American Legion Post 143. Henry is an active member of the Civil Air Patrol serving as Michigan Wing and Great Lakes Region (six states) Chief Master Sergeant. He teaches Civil Air Patrol Professional Development courses throughout Michigan and the Great Lakes Region.

Henry has three adult children and six grandchildren. He enjoys golf, reading, working out at the gym, and a wide variety of sports activities. Henry supports all Rotary programs but his passion is clean water and literacy.



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## Ann Arbor Rotarian Hams it Up to Eliminate Polio

*submitted by Dan Romanchik ~ Ann Arbor Rotary Club*

**O**n Saturday, February 23 and Sunday, February 24 amateur radio operators around the world, including Dan Romanchik, KB6NU, of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club, will take part in a special operating event to raise awareness about Rotary International's End Polio Now campaign (<http://www.endpolio.org/>). The hams, all members of the Rotary International group Rotarians on Amateur Radio, or ROAR, will be calling "CQ Rotary" or "CQ Polio" and will be prepared to talk a little bit about Rotary and the accomplishments and challenges of the End Polio Now campaign. A certificate or QSL card will be available to verify the contact, if requested. The End Polio Now campaign is a joint effort of Rotary International, the World Health Organization, and other non-governmental organizations. Since its inception in 1985, the campaign to vaccinate children has reduced the number of cases by more than 99 percent, but the fight isn't over. Polio is a crippling and potentially fatal infectious disease, and for as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected against the virus for life. We're so close to eradicating the disease, but if we don't finish the fight right now, it could flare up again, and more than 10 million children under the age of five could be paralyzed by polio in the next 40 years. If you are a Rotary Club member and would like to participate in this event, or for more information, contact: Dan Romanchik, KB6NU [endpolionow@kb6nu.com](mailto:endpolionow@kb6nu.com) 734-930-6564





## Ridgetown Rotary Makes Big Play for Community Park

■ submitted by Ron Bolohan

The Ridgetown Rotary Club donated a total of \$35,000, to date, to the Ridgetown Community Sports Field with \$7,500 just donated (raised from scrap metal project) for part of the bleacher installation. The group is the fund-holder for the \$1 million-plus project. The field is located directly behind Ridgetown District High School. There are three phases to the project. Phase One, which is now completed, involved the installation of a complete irrigation system and the renewal of the soil and turf in order to provide a top-grade and safe field on which sports can be played – from organized soccer to pick-up football. Phase two and three involve adding bleachers (which have been installed) and team benches, renovating the field house, a six-lane track, throwing and jumping pits, as well as lighting, electronic scoreboard and ultimately the addition of dressing and washrooms in the field house. Approximately \$180,000 of work has been put into the project so far with the Lambton-Kent School Board putting in more than \$100,000 toward the project. Standing on the new bleachers are, front row, left to right: Kees Boeters (Ridgetown Rotary president) and Mark Hunt (Ridgetown District High School principal). Middle row: Terry Youlton (Ridgetown Rotary) and Ron Bolohan (Ridgetown Rotary and Ridgetown Rotary Sports Field Rehabilitation Committee or RCSFRC). Back row: Joan Cofell (RCSFRC), and Peter Garapick (RCSFRC).



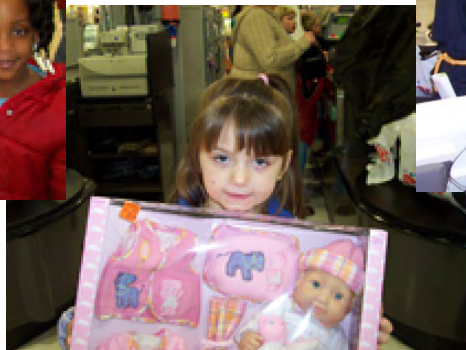
## Saline Rotary, Fagin Family and Meijer Brighten Christmas for Area Families

■ submitted by Jill Durnen ~ salinerotary.org

About 130 kids went Christmas shopping at the Ann Arbor-Saline Road Meijer store in Ann Arbor on December 22, thanks to the Saline Rotary Club's Fagin Challenge.

Every year, Saline Rotary Club member Jack Fagin challenges the local club members to donate money for the holiday shopping spree. Fagin, who owned Ann Arbor Clothing in downtown Ann Arbor for years, then matches whatever the local Rotarians raise.

This year, counting a \$1,000 donation from Meijer, about \$5,000 was raised for the Fagin Challenge. Saline Rotary Club worked with Saline Area Social Service and Ann Arbor Head Start to find families for the program. The families shopped together for clothes, games or toys and Saline Rotarians were on hand to answer questions, bag the purchases at the check-out lanes and pay the bill at the end of the event. When the program began in 2001, the Saline Rotary Club had difficulty finding families that needed help. This year, about 100 of the 130 children that benefitted from the program are served by Saline Area Social Services.



## Rotary Youth Exchange District 6380 Halloween Event

■ submitted by Greg Kett, President

Rotary Club of Chatham Sunrise ~ [rotarysunrise.com](http://rotarysunrise.com)

The RYE District 6380 Halloween Event (held in Chatham-Kent and hosted by members of the Blenheim, Dresden and Chatham Sunrise Clubs) was a HUGE success!

Thanks to a great organizing group of Ontario and Michigan Rotarians the 2012 version of the RYE Halloween party was the best ever! More than two dozen students (including host family members and re-bounds) participated -- which is a solid increase over past years -- and a solid group of Rotarians helped out in a variety of ways. This year, the event took on a different focus with trying to give the students exposure to the culture of the community and to participate in a community service aspect.

The Thamesville United Church was our home base for the weekend and, thanks to Ken Corlett of the former Thamesville Rotary Club, and the Men's Committee of the church, we were able to make arrangements to utilize the church for sleeping arrangements as well many of our activities and of course meals.

Students, hosts and Rotarians started to arrive in the late afternoon on Friday, October 26, and on Friday evening, we enjoyed Italian Food Night and carved pumpkins -- a new experience for many of our exchange students and of course watched scary movies until the wee hours. Special thanks to Mary-Frances Kluka for preparing lasagne, salads and garlic bread!



On Saturday, the students and chaperones were wakened early by Ken Corlett and his team of master chefs who prepared breakfast for everyone. Activities that day included a visit to the Tecumseh Monument [[tecumsehmonument.ca](http://tecumsehmonument.ca)] -- a timely visit with the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812 taking place; a trip to Fairfield Museum [[friendsoffairfieldmuseum.ca](http://friendsoffairfieldmuseum.ca)]; a guided tour of Nmaachihna

(Indigenous Education Coalition) in Moraviantown -- on the Delaware First Nation site [[ieceducation.com](http://ieceducation.com)]; and then, participation in a hands-on community project, as students helped to plant 10,000 daffodils in Chatham along with members of the Rotary Club of Chatham Sunrise Environment Committee. Following a very busy Saturday, we gathered in the meeting room at Smitty's Restaurant on Grand Ave. in Chatham where parents and host families met up with students to make their trips home late in the afternoon.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the event a success including our evening chaperones and volunteers (the McNaughtons, the Boycotts, Steve Youtz, Ruth Howell, Devon Taylor, & Guido McGuigan) and, of course, to a variety of places that helped us including: the Marchand family of Bothwell for donating the pumpkins, Foodland in Dresden for helping with food, Smitty's Restaurant in Chatham, Fairfield Museum in Bothwell, the IEC in Moraviantown, the Thamesville United Church and their Men's Committee, and the Chatham Sunrise Rotary Club. And of course we want to thank the 2012 organizing committee which consisted of Ellen Blauer, Ken Corlett, Greg Kett, Mary-Frances Kluka, and Donna Krete.

From the positive feedback of the exchange students, as well as host family members and other Rotarians, we think we really brought about some positive change to the structure of the event. Organizing committee members are already thinking of how to further improve on the event for 2013.

Thanks again to everyone who attended and helped. It was a great Rotary success!





## Troy Rotarian Fights for Freedom, and Brings Music to the Children of Afghanistan

■ submitted by Michael Caruso

### *Afghanistan and Iraq War Veteran Jason Hale Speaks at Troy Rotary Club*

*by J. Christopher Caldwell, Esq.*

On January 16, the Troy Rotary Club was honored to host **Jason Hale**, a member of the Michigan National Guard who recently returned home from tours of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan as a sniper with Charlie Troop.

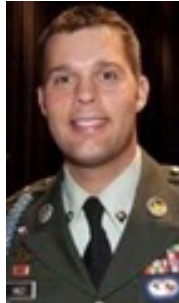
After training, Jason was flown into a forward operating base (FOB) in Kandahar province in southern Afghanistan. On his second day in-country, he attended a memorial for four Indiana National Guard troops killed in the line of duty.

An FOB can have as many as 500 troops. Jason's FOB had just 20 U.S. troops and 20 Afghan troops, and had been manned by Green Berets. The soldiers realized they were in the barren, mountainous war zone by themselves. They came under attack and some of his fellow soldiers were wounded and killed in the line of duty.

Jason explained that the Taliban had banned music, along with the teaching of women and girls in schools, under Sharia law. The troops distributed pens and notebooks to the young Afghan children, including all the girls they met in the villages.

The troops also distributed 500 recorders to the children to rekindle the joy of music in the villages liberated from the choke of the Taliban. Several TEAM 6.3.8.0 clubs contributed to the purchase of these musical recorders.

Afghanistan has five major tribes that have been at war for centuries. The Afghan troops Jason fought alongside with, put aside their tribal differences hoping to bring freedom to a united Afghanistan. Jason's hope is that because of the sacrifices our soldiers are making today, our children will not have to return.



District 6380 Rotarians  
Please join us in celebrating  
our new charter club!

### ROTARY CLUB OF ANN ARBOR WEST

**Saturday, March 2  
5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

Weber's Inn  
3050 Jackson Ave  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Ann Arbor Mayor  
John Hieftje  
Keynote Speaker

Admission \$30/person

Please RSVP to Raj Bazaj  
[rbazaj@gmail.com](mailto:rbazaj@gmail.com)  
indicate meal preference  
(beef, chicken, vegetarian)  
or  
register on the district website

Make checks payable to  
"The Rotary Club of Ann Arbor  
North (RCAAN)"  
mail to: 3588 Plymouth Road  
P.O. Box 287  
Ann Arbor MI 48105

Look forward  
to seeing you there!  
Jim Gilmore



Wild Poliovirus  
Weekly Update  
World Health Organization  
Week Ending 23 January 2013



**New wild polio cases reported in the past week for 2013: 0**

**Total number of cases in 2012: 222**

**Total number of wild cases in 2013: 0**

## General Polio Headlines – Week Ending 23 Jan. 2013

The Polio Independent Monitoring Board stated “Now more than ever, the world must be absolute in its resolve to eradicate polio. If the right things are done and commitment remains high, it will happen.”

## Endemic Country Headlines—Week Ending 23 January 2013

### Afghanistan:

**No new cases.** “SNIDs will be conducted 10-12 February using trivalent OPV in Helmand and Kandahar and using bivalent OPV in 12 other provinces.”

### Nigeria:

**No new cases.** “Nationwide IPDs are planned for 2 – 5 February using bivalent OPV and 2 – 5 March using trivalent OPV, also to be synchronized with Niger Republic.”

### Pakistan:

**No new cases.** “District officials are assessing security conditions locally, in close consultation with law enforcement.”

**District 6380 Status as of July 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012**

<b>Rotary International District 6380 Statistics</b>	Membership as of Jul-1-12 SAR	Membership Reported De-31-12	YTD net gain or loss	Foundation Annual Giving Goal	2012-13 Foundation Annual Giving Dec-31-12	2012-13 Foundation Annual Giving YTD Dec-31-12	2012-13 Foundation Other Giving Dec-31-12	2012-13 Foundation Permanent Fund Dec-31-12	Annual Giving % Achieved	Annual Giving Per Capita
Club										
Anchor Bay	18	18	0	\$ 800	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Ann Arbor	303	311	8	\$ 24,000	\$ 15,943	\$ 20,239	\$ 6,182	\$ 3,964	84.3%	\$ 66.80
Ann Arbor North	32	36	4	\$ 3,400	\$ 450	\$ 450			13.2%	\$ 14.06
Auburn Hills	13	14	1	\$ 1,500		\$ 50	\$ 0		3.3%	\$ 3.85
Berkley	15	17	2	\$ 2,000	\$	\$	\$		0.0%	
Birmingham	60	67	7	\$ 7,900	\$ 200	\$ 400	\$ 200	\$300	5.1%	\$ 6.67
Blenheim	22	22	0	\$ 3,000		\$ 3,300	\$		110.0%	\$ 150.00
Bloomfield Hills	36	33	-3	\$ 3,800	\$ 0		\$		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Brighton	75	76	1	\$ 8,000	\$	\$	\$ 122		0.0%	
Chatham	76	71	-5	\$ 1,800	\$ 25	\$ 251	\$ 101		13.9%	\$ 3.30
Chatham Sunrise	34	33	-1	\$ 1,700	\$ 2,287	\$ 2,362	\$ 1,691		138.9%	\$ 69.47
Chelsea	30	35	5	\$ 1,550	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Clarkston	21	20	-1	\$ 1,900		\$ 1,430	\$		75.3%	\$ 71.50
Clawson	10	9	-1	\$ 100	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Davisburg	14	12	-2	\$ 1,500	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Dexter	30	31	1	\$ 2,500	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 800		8.0%	\$ 6.45
Dresden	21	23	2	\$ 1,000	\$ 0	\$	\$ 49		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Eastpointe	21	21	0	\$ 2,500	\$ 0	\$	\$		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Farmington	20	19	-1	\$ 2,200	\$	\$	\$ 50		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Ferndale	20	20	0	\$ 1,000	\$ 350	\$ 625	\$ 550		62.5%	\$ 31.25
Fowlerville	25	28	3	\$ 1,350	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Hartland	16	12	-4	\$ 1,000	\$	\$	\$		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Howell	42	49	7	\$ 2,400	\$	\$ 350	\$		14.6%	\$ 7.14
Lake Orion	25	28	3	\$ 2,500	\$ 84	\$ 1,004	\$		40.2%	\$ 35.86
Lakes Area	15	19	4	\$ 2,960	\$ 938	\$ 938	\$ 581		31.7%	\$ 49.37
Livingston Sunrise	43	46	3	\$ 4,700	\$ 25	\$ 225	\$		4.8%	\$ 4.89
Lyon Area	9	10	1	\$ 100	\$ 0	\$ 1,100	\$ 250		1100.0%	\$ 110.00
Macomb	10	15	5	\$ 600	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 0		16.7%	\$ 6.67
Milan	16	15	-1	\$ 1,700	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Milford	30	26	-4	\$ 3,900		\$ 1,373	\$ 2,050		35.2%	\$ 52.81
Mt. Clemens	73	70	-3	\$ 7,600	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$		13.2%	\$ 14.29
Novi	43	43	0	\$ 4,000	\$ 0	\$	\$ 1,112		0.0%	0.0%
Ortonville	8	10	2	\$ 500	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Oxford	34	31	-3	\$ 3,500	\$	\$	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Pontiac	27	27	0	\$ 2,400	\$	\$ 1,250	\$ 0		52.1%	\$ 46.30
Richmond	31	31	0	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$		64.5%	\$ 32.26
Ridgetown	22	23	1	\$ 2,645	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Rochester	91	98	7	\$ 15,500	\$ 500	\$ 1,770	\$		11.4%	\$ 18.06
Romeo	8	12	4	\$ 350	\$	\$	\$ 88		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Royal Oak	24	22	-2	\$ 1,650	\$	\$	\$		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Saline	32	35	3	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,100	\$ 2,750	\$ 100		78.6%	\$ 78.57
Southfield	8	11	3	\$ 550		\$ 100	\$ 0		18.2%	\$ 9.09
Sterling Heights	21	19	-2	\$ 1,050	\$ 300	\$ 860	\$ 400		81.9%	\$ 45.26
Thamesville	6			\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Tilbury	21	21	0	\$ 2,200	\$	\$ 2,247	\$		102.1%	\$ 107.00
Troy	41	49	8	\$ 5,000	\$ 85	\$ 440	\$		8.8%	\$ 8.98
Utica-Shelby	10	10	0	\$ 1,000	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Wallaceburg	11	11	0	\$ 550	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Warren	16	17	1	\$ 1,750	\$ 84	\$ 954	\$ 400		54.5%	\$ 56.12
Waterford	26	25	-1	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,110	\$		124.4%	\$ 124.40
West Bloomfield	17	17	0	\$ 1,900	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0		0.0%	\$ 0.00
Ypsilanti	29	30	1	\$ 1,550	\$ 125	\$ 125	\$		8.1%	\$ 4.17
District 6380										
District Total							\$ 0			
	<b>1701</b>	<b>1748</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>\$ 154,605</b>	<b>\$ 25,796</b>	<b>\$ 50,003</b>	<b>\$ 14,626</b>	<b>\$ 4,364</b>		
		Per Capita ->								