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District 6380

Future Speakers

Mar 13 2008

Katrina Fenton

"What's Happening in the WSU Rotaract Club"

Mar 20 2008

Tom Blackstone, Len Renier

"Wealth and Wisdom"

Mar 27 2008

Don Brown

"Update on Congress"

Apr 3 2008

Anna Russo

"Communication - The Importance of Rapport. ."

Apr 10 2008

Reginald Keith

"Author - The Malcontents"

Apr 17 2008

John Stoner

"Bicycle Riding"

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting

Mar 10 2008

Board Meeting

Apr 7 2008

District Conference

May 2 2008 - May 4 2008

Board Meeting

May 5 2008

Board Meeting

Jun 2 2008

Rotary International Convention

Jun 15 2008 - Jun 18 2008

Annual Golf Outing

Jun 20 2008

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TODAY'S MEETING

President Marty Brown opened the meeting by ringing our Rotary bell. He then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Four-Way Test and Kerm Billette gave the invocation. We welcomed guests Don Riddell of Troy Rotary, speaker Dr. Steve Naumovski, Kathy Krupa, Mark Valente of Grosse Pointe Rotary and Rich Sparks.



TODAY'S PROGRAM

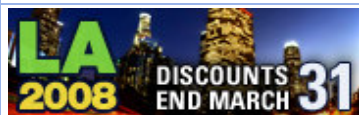


Our featured speaker today was Dr. Steve (Stojadin) Naumovski of Macedonia. He is on the Ethnic Community Committee for Sterling Heights and also informed us that Tetovo, Macedonia, is the sister city of Sterling Heights. He related the history of Macedonia from ancient times to the present, including wars, battles, civil wars and ethnic cleansings. This area which Alexander The Great ruled has been involved in much political strife and genocides over the centuries and problems continue to exist. Dr. Naumovski feels strongly about maintaining one's ethnicity and concluded by explaining that Macedonian identity and principles, rather material values, are essential to Macedonians.

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NEXT WEEK

Katrina Fenton, President of the Wayne State University Rotaract Club will update us on the Club and its activities. Be sure to attend the meeting, meet Katrina and learn about Rotaract.

BOARD MEETING



The next Board Meeting will be on Monday, March 10. It will be held at the Macomb Chiropractic Center which is the office of President Martin Brown and is located at 14300 E. 15 Mile Road in Sterling Heights. The phone there is 586-979-6460. Pizza will be served at 7:00 PM, the meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 PM (note that these times are each 30 minutes later than usual due to scheduling conflicts). All Board members are expected to attend, other Club members are welcome, too, but, for planning purposes, please let Marty know that you will be there. Please note that this meeting was originally scheduled for March 3 but changed to March 10.

NEW MEAL PAYMENT PLAN COMING

IT'S COMING SOON - our new meal payment plan which will be inaugurated for the next quarter which begins in April.

Summary of plan: Raise dues to \$60/quarter (currently \$30/qtr) - that's still ONLY \$20 a month and covers Club operations, District dues and Rotary International dues. Members pay only for meals they attend. Have two meal types and prices: full meal for \$10 (2 tickets). soup + salad + beverage for \$5 (1 ticket). Tickets must be purchased in advance and will be sold in blocks of \$50, \$100, \$150. Speakers will be given their choice of one or two tickets without charge. However, additional free meals will generally be limited to prospective members (3 meals), honorees and one guest per honoree. This new plan will substantially reduce costs for many members - especially those who cannot attend every meeting and/or wish smaller, lower cost meals. The Board voted to begin a Trial program of this plan commencing with the next quarter - April with an evaluation of program to be held during that quarter. Members will be invoiced in early March and will pay \$160 of which \$60 will be for quarterly dues and \$100 will purchase meal tickets (with more available for purchase if desired). Pre-numbered tickets will be used and a log of purchasers maintained.

The Board hopes that this plan will enable the Club to increase membership so start inviting prospective members NOW. Check the **Future Speakers** list in the lefthand column of this newsletter to see the great list of speakers Marty Brown has lined up.

ROTARY CONFERENCES



Coming in the next few months are 4 special conferences:

Apr 25-27, Windsor, Ontario, **Rotary World Peace Summit**. Details are available on this website: www.rotarypeacesummit.org

May 2-4, Chatham, Ontario, **District Conference**. Registration for the Conference and lots of information about it are on the District website www.rotary6380.org

June 15-18, Los Angeles, **Rotary International Convention**. Information and registration are available by going to our District website www.rotary6380.org

If you haven't checked the District website recently you have missed lots of useful information. If you need help accessing it, please ask Club and District Webmaster John Joyce.

BITS AND PIECES

On March 11, the **Joyces** will be presented with \$3500 in checks from Sector 9 of our Rotary district. This will help fulfill the Sterling Heights Rotary's Matching Grant for the BioSand water filters project being done in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Bonao, Dominican Republic.

The **Career Focus Luncheon** will be held April 30 and May 1.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) weekend will be held May 9-11 in Ridgeway, Ontario. Details and applications are on the District website. This program is for high school juniors and sophomores so be sure to promote it to the young people you know. Our Club will help cover expenses for several students.

Our District will host **Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) students** from Brazil, Germany and France in the coming school year. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in hosting, please contact Marty Brown.

RAFFLE/SHERIFF



Gayle Good did a "good" job of running the weekly raffle and won one of the cash prizes. The other cash prize was won by guest Kathy Krupa. Steve Neirinck was acting sheriff and did an admirable job of collecting money. The highlight was Jay Ice's announcement that he will celebrate his 88th birthday on March 10. Of course, we all sang enthusiastically, if not entirely on key. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JAY!**

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We send special thoughts and prayers this month to:

- **Skip W.** - kidney dialysis
- **Merle L.** - medical procedure

ATTENDANCE



Attendance today (03/06/08): Kerm Billette, Marty Brown, James Chacko, Wayne Dula, Gayle Good, Jay Ice, John Joyce, Joyce Joyce, Steve Neirinck, Karen Olechiw, Leslie Reinhart, Irene Schwartz, and guests Kathy Krupa, Dr. Steve Naumovski, Don Riddell, Rich Sparks and Mark Valente.

Thanks to Irene Schwartz, here is the attendance last week (02/28/08) Kerm Billette, Martin Brown, James Chacko, Wayne Dula, Gayle Good, Jay Ice, Steve Neirinck, Leslie Reinhart, Irene Schwartz, Linda Wenger and guests Ron, Tony, Tony, Courtney, Driss and Rich Sparks.