

NEWSLETTER OF THE GROSSE ILE ROTARY CLUB

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FOR MEETING OF: 01/15/2009

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Board Members At Large 2008 – 2009

Bambang Soedarjatno
Dave Sims
Roberto Sanchez

WHAT'S NEW AT GI ROTARY.....

- **BOARD MEETING – THIS THURSDAY, 5:00 PM, PRIOR TO WEEKLY MEETING!**
- **VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY – Thursday, February 12th** (instead of weekly meeting). This is to correct last week's incorrect newsletter statement that listed the VD Party being on Saturday, Feb 14th. **THE CORRECT DATE IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH,** Alan Hickman, Chair (so sorry Alan) Sign up now. Location will be determined sometime soon. 
- Roberto Sanchez is inviting any & all of his dear Rotary friends to attend the Trenton Rotary's Winter Beach Blast. When he gets 10 of his buddies to go the ticket price will only be \$30 pp, vs. the \$35 pp. So contact Roberto and go get some warm fuzzies! Call him at 671-3482 anytime day or night to get on the list. See below for further details.....

THE CALENDAR - UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

- 1/22/09: Bruce Jones – GI Nature & Land Conservancy
- 1/29/09: Kristine Dowhan, President GI InterAct Club
- 2/05/09: Chloe Chang: Foreign exchange student
- **2/12/09: NO MEETING – Valentine's Day Party, location TBD**

A Message from Superintendent OF GROSSE ILE SCHOOLS Dena Dardzinski:

Community Members Invited to Attend Community Forums at Grosse Ile High School

During these community forums we will be presenting an explanation of our current financial situation. Through a PowerPoint presentation we will demonstrate the steps we have taken over the past years to cut costs and maintain our educational services. In addition, we will use this time to gather community input on specific topics that will impact our budget building process for 2009-2010. All community members are invited and encouraged to attend one of the scheduled sessions.

Community forums will be held in the Robert Smith Board Room at GIHS on the following dates and times:

Jan 20th:	7:00 PM
Jan 21st:	10:00 AM & 1:00 PM
Jan 22nd:	10:00 AM, 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Trenton Rotary invites you to our
Winter Beach Blast

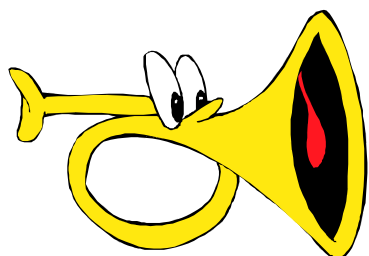
Saturday, January 31st at 6:00 p.m.

All proceeds Benefit Trenton Rotary

Crystal Gardens

Tickets \$35.00 INCLUDE: Food Stations - Open Bar

ANYONE IN GROSSE ILE ROTARY INTERESTED CALL ROBERTO SANCHEZ 671-3482



SAVE THE DATES!!!!...

UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS.....

January 31	Trenton Rotary's Winter Beach Blast – Crystal Gardens
February 19	Training - ADG, DTTS, PN - Holiday Inn, Southgate
February 19	Meet the DGE (District Governor Elect) Neil McBeth, at Southgate Rotary weekly meeting - 12 noon, Heritage Holiday Inn, Northline Rd
March 19-21	Great Lakes Multi-Pets - Kalamazoo
April 17	Polio Eradication Dinner & Auction – Crystal Gardens
April 18	District Assembly & PETS I – Southgate Holiday Inn
May 10 – June 10	GSE to Hungary

SOMETHING NEW.....

Welcome to Rotary 6400 Freecycle

What is Freecycling? Freecycling is recycling stuff to new homes for FREE. I'll bet you have lots of stuff that you can't bear to throw out because it is USEFUL, but not to YOU. So you keep it in your garage, your basement, etc.

This site will be a place where you can list those things that you don't want to own any more, but don't want to throw away. You may also ask for stuff that you might need.

Here's the rules:

1. Stuff must be FREE
2. Entries will only be accepted from members of Rotary Clubs of District 6400
3. You may specify if your stuff may go to anyone who will use it, or if you want to only give it to a non-profit organization.

**Email Liz at elismith@umich.edu if you have something to offer!
Include photo, terms, location of item.**

THE PROGRAM.....



Rotary Island Showcase

DEB GREEN, CO-CHAIR

The 1st Annual Rotary Island Showcase was held on Saturday, September 6, 2008. The event was Co-chaired by Deb Green & Alan Hickman. The report tonight is to give the +’s & the –’s of the event and have open discussion with the members of the club for input, and maybe some output.

The event was held at Perdino’s and properties owned along Macomb by SLATS, all volunteered property. 21 booths presented on that Saturday (2 no-shows, 1 unregistered), and 16 Island owned cars were shown.

The IDEA of the event was to:

1. Allow the non-profit’s of the Island a platform to be heard
2. Showcase Island owned vehicles
3. Partner with Grosse Ile Garden Club Home Tour
4. Give Rotary an application to interact with everyone

Pluses & Minuses:

- + Weather was awesome
- + Overall project plan worked well
- Need more visitors
- Event too long
- Need more cars
- + Every participant agreed to come back next year

Total Cost of Project: \$351.33

FINAL VERDICT IS.....

SAVE THE DATE FOR NEXT YEAR.....

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2009!

Polio Eradication Dinner and Auction

Friday, April 17, 2009

at 6:00 P.M.

Crystal Gardens

Tickets: \$35.00 per person includes dinner & cash bar