

# NEWSLETTER OF THE GROSSE ILE ROTARY CLUB

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Club website: [www.gircweb.org](http://www.gircweb.org)

District website: [www.rotary6400.org](http://www.rotary6400.org)

FOR MEETING OF: 03/12/2009

## Board Members 2008 – 2009

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Past President	Alan Hickman



## Board Members At Large 2008 – 2009

Bambang Soedarjatno  
Dave Sims  
Roberto Sanchez

**THIS WEEK, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

**A FUNDRAISING EVENT.....**



# TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT

PROCEEDS COME BACK TO **GROSSE ILE ROTARY!!!!!!**

**Tell your friends; tell your relatives, tell your neighbors, just tell everybody.....**

**The Dates: MARCH 19, 20, 21, 22 (THURS, FRI, SAT, & SUN)**

**5:00 PM to 1:00 AM**

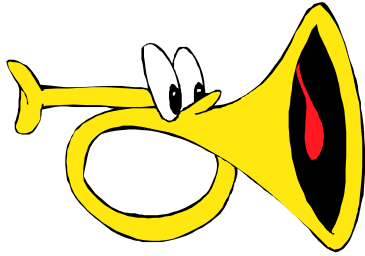
**The Place: Indian Lanes Bowling Alley, 4500 13<sup>th</sup> St, Wyandotte**

**NOTE: The event room is NON-SMOKING**

## THE CALENDAR - UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

### March is Rotary Literacy Month

- 3/19/09: John Strain – Peace Corps to Africa to Rotary
- 3/19, 20, 21, 22 (Thurs – Sun) Texas Hold 'Em – Indian Lanes, Wyandotte
- 3/26/09: Leonard Renier – Wealth & Wisdom – Board Meeting 5:00 PM



# SAVE THE DATES!!!!...

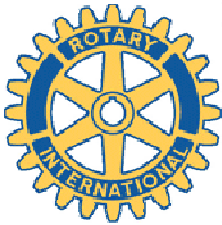
## UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS.....

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
April 30 – May 3	District Conference at Mackinac Island
May 10 – June 10	GSE to Hungary
June 9 (Tues)	Grosse Ile Rotary Golf Outing

### GROSSE ILE DIRECTORY

**IT IS COMING!!!!!! THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!!!!!!**  
**JUNE VAN OS ALAN HICKMAN**

Coming soon to Grosse Ile Rotary, a DIRECTORY KICK OFF MEETING! STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO. We need additional advertisers to help meet out financial goals!



*Rotary International District 6400*

*District Conference  
April 30 - May 3, 2009*



*The Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island*

**DISTRICT 6400  
 POLIO ERADICATION FUNDRAISER AND AUCTION  
 FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH  
 CRYSTAL GARDENS  
 16703 FORT STREET  
 SOUTHGATE, MI 48195**

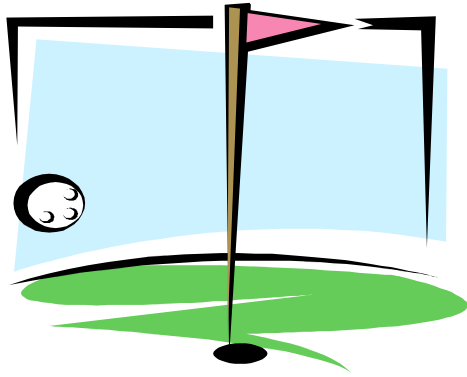
Keynote Speaker - Past Rotary International President Wilf Wilkinson



**\$35 US PP, \$240 TABLE OF 8, \$300 TABLE OF 10  
 INCLUDES DINNER AND CASH BAR**

TICKETS CHAIR  
JIM WAGNER

# 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GROSSE ILE GOLF OUTING



## FOR CHARITY

### Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009

### Raisin River Golf Course

#### East Course

**SAVE THE DATE.....MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW**

**The Program This Week.....**

**JOHN SHADE**

**DIRECTOR OF TENNIS, GROSSE ILE TENNIS CENTER**



**Tennis Center**

John was an outstanding high school player at East Detroit in the late 60's and went on to play varsity tennis at Central Michigan University. His love of the game included such an enjoyable stint teaching tennis for the East Detroit Recreation Department while he was in high school that he pursued this career option soon after. He established the boy's team at the high school as a club and continued in that position on a volunteer basis until the sport was approved by the board of education two years later. In 1973, he established the girl's team and again coached on a volunteer basis for a year until board approval. He also ran the Dominos Tennis Program, now called USTA Jr. Tennis, a project that he is particularly proud of because of the numbers of kids participating and the areas outside of Grosse Ile involved. The program started out as a local team program with no funding but got massive numbers of kids playing tennis. It also established a foundation for solid Grosse Ile tennis teams.

Over the years, John became involved with virtually every significant tennis program in the area. He has directed free clinics annually in Allen Park and Grosse Ile, has taken club teams for competition to such diverse places as Chicago and Toledo, has been a site director the Western USTA Indoor Closed Girls Tournament and for the SEMTA Qualifier, and has directed other USTA tournaments at the Downriver Racquet Club. For the past five years, he has voluntarily organized and managed a high school tournament both in the fall and in the spring that includes all 13 teams in the area.

John's influence can be felt in many areas. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the MHSTeCA and is in charge of scorebook and directory. The list of current tennis positions he holds include Head Professional at the Grosse Ile Golf & Country Club, Director of Tennis at the Grosse Ile Recreation Department, and Assistant Pro at the Downriver Racquet Club as well as boys and girls varsity coach at Grosse Ile High School.

In a sport where too many programs suffer through the leadership of caretaking babysitters, John offers to us an example of tremendous competence and expertise. The kids in Grosse Ile are fortunate to have had an in-house professional as their tennis coach for all these years. In turn, our association is fortunate to be able to point to him with pride as an example of excellent high school tennis coaching, one whose record of triumph and service make him a Hall of Famer.