

NEWSLETTER OF THE GROSSE ILE ROTARY CLUB

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FOR MEETINGS OF: 10/01/2009 & 10/08/2009

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President	Dale Klemans
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Treasurer	Ron Peltier
Past President	Ted Aller



Board Members At Large 2009 – 2010

Dave Sims
Roberto Sanchez
Allen Hickman

PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE:

Oct 15: Jim Stewart, Grosse Ile High School Principal
Oct 22: James Penn- Being laid off and what is being done to assist that situation-----
Board meeting; 5:30 PM, GIGCC
Oct 29: John Williams, Del Ray Community House and Pete Rock discussing progress at Del Ray

OUR NEWEST MEMBER!

Ken DeByle, D.O. Retired, was inducted as our newest member. Ted Aller sponsored Ken. Bill Swasey preformed an excellent induction ceremony.



CONGRATULATIONS TO KEN!

SPECIAL NOTICE.....PLEASE READ.....

The Club approved that the weekly meetings during the months of January, February and March of 2010, will be held at Perdino's.

We'll return to the GIG&CC in April of 2010.

OCTOBER IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR....

Greetings Rotarians,

October is "**Vocational Service**" month. Rotary was founded as a vocational service organization first and then later included both community and international service. October therefore should be a time for us all to reflect on what we can bring to Rotary through our vocations. The first and maybe most important aspect to Rotary is our "Four Way Test" of the things we think, say or do. We promote the use of high ethical standards not only through our business, but in every association we have with our friends, business partners and the general public. RI President John Kenny said it best when talking about the future of our organization when he said, "if our members are qualified, honest, and respected in their vocations and communities, then all of Rotary will thrive. What will you do this month through your vocation to promote this year's Rotary theme, "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"?

It's not too late to sign up for this year's Membership and Foundation Seminar to be held October 22nd at the Holiday Inn Southgate at I-75 and Northline Road. Visit the District website to find the registration form. Special speaker will be our own PDG Jennifer Jones. Don't forget as well to register and bring your Interact students for the Interact District Conference being held at the same place and the same time as the Membership and Foundation Seminar.

District Conference registrations continue. Many of you told us of your plans to join us at Mackinac on our Official Visits but have not yet registered. Visit www.rotary6400.org to register online. Cheryl and I look forward to celebrating with you at our "Grand Island Party" May 13-16, 2010. Thank you all for your "Service Above Self" to Rotary and your fellow man. Please keep working at "Building those Bridges of Hope" in your communities and around the world!

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VOCATIONAL SERVICE "Second Avenue of Service."

The essence of Vocational Service is the importance of high ethical standards in all professions, the importance of all vocations and the opportunity to contribute one's vocational talents to address the problems and needs of society. Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to proactive high ethical standards.

Vocational Service is the Second Avenue of Service. Rotarians perform Vocational Service by:

- * Adherence to, and promotion of, the highest ethical standards in all occupations, including fair treatment of employees, associates, competitors, and the public.
- * The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, not just their own or those that are pursued by other Rotarians.
- * The contribution of their vocational talents to the problems and needs of society.

Vocational Service is the Second Avenue of Service. No aspect of Rotary is more closely related to each member than a personal responsibility to our vocation and to our commitment to high ethical standards in our businesses and professions. It is clear that our communities need Rotary to demonstrate commitment to the 4-Way Test. Vocational Service is the banner by which Rotarians recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations and demonstrate a commitment to high ethical standards in all businesses and professions.

Vocational Service can be performed in many areas:

- * Vocational Awareness: Giving classification talks and conducting tours of members' businesses.
- * Vocational Awards: Recognizing vocational excellence and high ethical standards.
- * Career Development: Using members' professional experience to advance employment; developing and supporting apprenticeship programs; organizing career-planning programs in schools; and retraining adults for new vocations.
- * Vocations at Work: Generating new jobs within the community; working with retirees; addressing drug, alcohol and literacy problems in the workplace; creating vocational opportunities for the disabled; developing and implementing HIV/AIDS education and policy; and promoting high ethical standards.
- * Ethics: Leading conferences and panel discussions for community members on ethical issues facing the community; holding group discussions for students where they apply the 4-Way Test to case studies.

The Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions is a statement of recent origin. It was adopted by the Rotary International Council on Legislation in 1989 to provide more specific guidelines for the high ethical standards called for in the Object of Rotary. This statement can be downloaded for framing and displaying.

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;
3. Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
5. Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
7. Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
8. Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

Some examples of the Vocational Service's functions:

- * Sponsored a program entitled Write On whereby high school juniors and seniors could learn about resume writing, job and college application writing
- * Partnered with the high school service club in their mentoring program.
- * Worked with a High School in their Career Day activities.
- * Provided a speaker for the Career Day Activities at the a local High School.
- * Funded and provided Camperships for deserving middle-school children.
- * Recognized local residents through the Citizens Who Care program. Pictures and biographies of the citizens were hung in the Library and local banks.

The Four-Way Test

The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions:

- * Is it the TRUTH?
- * Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- * Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- * Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

