

NEWSLETTER OF THE GROSSE ILE ROTARY CLUB

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FOR MEETINGS OF: 10/15/2009

Board Members 2009 – 2010

President	Dale Klemans
President Elect	Charlie Worden
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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 22: James Penn - Being laid off and what is being done to assist in that situation-----
Board meeting; 5:30 PM, GIGCC

Oct 29: John Williams, Delray Community House and Pete Rock discussing progress at Delray

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.

FEATURED PROGRAM:

JIM STEWART
GROSSE ILE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL



Points of Pride

Our relatively low student-teacher ratio (25:1) makes it possible for us to react to both the academic and personal needs of our students. We have had continued success with the Advanced Placement Program in Art History (Humanities), Biology, Calculus AB, European History, American History, English Literature, Statistics, and World History for the academically gifted. All the AP courses were approved by The College Board. We have students that prepare themselves for other AP exams by working on an independent basis with our teaching staff.

Of our 2009 graduating class:

- 96% Enrolled in a College/University, of those:
 - 76% - Plan on attending a four year college
 - 19% - Plan on attending a two year college
 - 1% - Enroll in Technical Programs
- 1% Joined the Army Intelligences and Language
- 3% Undecided

Of the 145 graduating seniors from the class of 2009, 198 scholarships were offered worth more than \$2.1 million dollars.

The music program continued to excel at all venues. The High School Band received Division I rating at the MSBOA District 12 Marching Band Festival. Both Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble received Division I rating at District Concert Band Festival.

9th Grade Social Studies MEAP scores were higher than all but two Michigan public school districts (96.4% Passed).

Our dropout rate is still among the lowest in the state (less than 1%).

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

There are many ways that you can contribute to your school. You can support the organizations that work with us to educate kids, such as the PAT and PTO, the athletic and music boosters, GIVE and the Grosse Ile Educational Foundation.

Grosse Ile Volunteer Effort

Mission Statement

The goal of GIVE is to involve the community in ensuring that every student has the opportunity to achieve intellectual, physical, social and emotional growth.

How GIVE works

GIVE is a program that utilizes parent and community volunteers in our schools. Any person volunteering in the schools must be a GIVE Volunteer which means that they have submitted a Background Screen Form (police clearance) and that they have also viewed a GIVE orientation.

GIVE Committee members in each of the schools help to facilitate the GIVE program by matching volunteer requests from the staff with the parent and community GIVE Volunteer database.

GIVE Volunteer opportunities are usually communicated via purple GIVE notes that are sent home in backpacks, GIVE newsletters, and on GIVE bulletin boards in some of the schools.

After signing up for any particular GIVE Volunteer assignment, a GIVE Committee Member will contact the volunteer for confirmation and any further instructions.



Celebrate World Polio Day – October 24th

The Rotarian -- October 2009

World Polio Day is 24 October. Find out ways your club can help Rotary raise US\$200 million to match the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's \$355 million in grants by 30 June 2012.

This October marks 95 years since Jonas Salk, developer of the first safe and effective polio vaccine, was born. Saturday, 24 October, is World Polio Day – a perfect opportunity to join the fight to end the disease.

Rotarians are raising US\$200 million to match the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's \$355 million in grants by 30 June 2012. Here are some ways you can help:

1. Organize a club fundraiser, such as an auction, a walkathon, or a purple pinkie project. Rotary clubs are each being asked to contribute at least \$2,000 annually for three years.
2. Order reprints of the illustrated [*Amazing Stories of Polio!*](#) for new and prospective club members, and for local schools and libraries, at shop.rotary.org. For bulk orders, call 847-866-4600.
3. Arrange a screening of *The Final Inch* at a theater. This Academy Award-nominated, 38-minute documentary follows health workers, including Rotarian volunteers, as they immunize children in India. The DVD is available at www.thefinalinch.org.
4. Create a link from your club's Web site to the [Rotary International YouTube channel](#), which includes videos and public service announcements on eradicating polio, or embed one of the video on your Web site.
5. Make an individual donation to Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge.



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?

