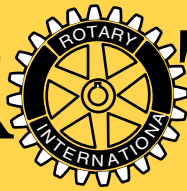


# THE ROTATION



CLUB NEWS - KEEPING THE WHEELS MOVING IN HURON

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## — Announcements —

Sandusky Rotary Club now meeting at Castaway Bay.

### — Fundraising Events —

It was reported at the September 4 meeting that the rib fest netted approximately \$13,000. We sold 50 dozen ears of Hahn corn; beer sales were down. We are considering blues bands for Friday evening since attendance was down.

### — Programs —

**August 7** - Rotarian Anne Hinton and Gil Vaughn and Paula May of the Boys and Girls Club of Erie County presented an update of the Huron Youth Connection, an after school program at the Huron Public Library funded in part by the Club. The presentation included figures about the growth of the program and photos of the kids and their activities. Gil and Paula read statements from the kids and parents about what the HYC means to them. HYC kids and parents as well as B&GC folks will work the food tent during the Rotary Festival. Anne, Gil and Paula expressed their thanks to the Club for their support.

**August 14** - Rotarian Dave Kramer of the Mansfield Club presented "How the Buckeye became Ohio's Tree". The Buckeye tree was adopted by the state legislature in 1953, 150 years after statehood.

**August 21** - Representative Chris Redfern has represented the 80th House District since 1999. Due to term limits, this will be his last term in office. Rep Redfern spoke to the impact of term limits citing a lack of camaraderie, loss of institutional knowledge and loss of consistency. School funding was his main topic citing the erosion of state funding shifting the burden to local tax issues. He shared his thoughts on the current situation and the need for long term discussion.

**August 28** - Rotarian and School Superintendent Fred Fox and Treasurer Mike

Wyse highlighted the projects at Huron City Schools funded by the Huron Eagles donations as well as the ICI Paints Science Labs. An invitation was issued to the Band Parents Pancake Breakfast and HHS Community Open House on September 16.

**September 4** - Melinda Huntley, Executive Director, Lake Erie Coastal Ohio presented Coastal Trail, a part of America's biways that has been popular. Lake Erie attracts \$9 million in tourist expenditures every year yet we are 37th in advertising for tourists. Lake Erie has the reputation of being dead, dirty, and cold. Need more publicity. Light houses, sunken ships, and historical sites are attractions that need to be publicized. The season is short and the early starts for schools hurt.

**September 11** - HHS Volleyball Coach Don Woods shared the highlights of his 15 years as head coach for the program that started in the 1973-74 school year. The team has a 494 wins and 267 loses record with 8 consecutive SBC Championships. Coach Woods introduced the players with him: Jill Barnes, Jill Zimmer, Emily Conrad, Abby Seeholzer, Suzie Isphording and Sara Sage. Sara shared some of her experiences on the USA Youth National Team last summer playing internationally in Mexico. He stresses that his players be good leaders on the field, on the bench, in the classroom and on the street.

**September 18** - Chamber of Commerce Director Sheila Ehrhardt updated the Club on the Chamber and its activities. The Chamber has added 62 new members bringing the total membership to 225. As a member of the Northern Ohio Chambers of Commerce Association, the Chamber is able to offer a variety of cost savings benefits. The top two questions asked by potential visitors to the area are where can I rent a cottage in Huron and is there a hotel or restaurant on the lake. Last year the office responded to 800 requests for information. Chamber activities

include monthly after-hours, annual meeting and dinner, a walking tour brochure, Christmas ornaments, Boater bags, Business Resource Network, Taste of Wine and Roses, Half Marathon, Festival of Lights and the Don Billman Memorial Golf Outing.



**September 25** - Kitty Smith of EHOVE share the career and technical training programs available at EHOVE including the Tech Prep Program in partnership with BGSU Firelands for 13 years. She then introduced students Jordan Bracken and Kyle Mowry who participated in the FIRST Robotics Competition. In this national competition, schools purchase a basic kit and pay an entry fee totally \$10,000 to receive the task of the competition and the components to construct a robot. Each school has six weeks in which to design and build the robot. The EHOVE students participated in the Buckeye Regional and received the Rookie All Star Award affording them the opportunity to go to the Nationals in Atlanta. Several sizeable scholarships are offered to winners as well as "bragging rights". The competition, the World Series for engineering Students, is supported by NASA. Below, the students demonstrated their impressive robot.



### — Visiting Rotarians —

**August 7** - Bill Forthover - Norwalk; Jim Johns - Milan; Dave Kramer - Mansfield; Carol Lloyd - Pleasant Gap, PA; David Long - Sandusky; Ron Summer - Elyria; and PDG John Weeks - Sandusky

**August 14** - Dave Kramer - Mansfield and PDG John Weeks - Sandusky

**August 21** - Fran Balch - Hilliard; Dave Kramer - Mansfield; Dave Rulong - Sandusky; and PDG John Weeks - Sandusky

**August 28** - Dave Kramer - Mansfield; and Ron Summer - Elyria

**September 4** - Gene Kobe - Sandusky; Dave Kramer - Mansfield; and PDG John Weeks - Sandusky

**September 11** - Ron Kaufman - Sandusky; and Dave Kramer - Mansfield

**September 18** - John Bacon - Sandusky; Gene Kobe - Sandusky; Dave Kramer - Mansfield; and PDG John Weeks - Sandusky

**September 25** - Dave Kramer - Mansfield and Kitty Smith - President in Sandusky

### — Guests —

**August 7** - Gil Vaughn and Paula May of the Boys and Girls Club of Erie County; Pierre Van Raepenbusch - Guest of Joe D.; and Amanda Furey - Guest of proud dad Steve

**August 21** - Karen Dale and Barb Flaczynski - Guests of Joe S.; and Mike Weis - Guest of Fred

**August 28** - Mike Weis - Guest of Fred

**September 4** - Christopher Johnson - Guest of dad Lowell

**September 11** - Don Wood, HHS Volleyball Coach; and Mike Weis, Treasurer, Huron City Schools

**September 25** - Paul Samaniego - Guest of Tony; Megan Murphy - EHOVE; and Steve Springs - EHOVE

### — Student Guests —

**September 25** - Jamie Bartlett, Carlee Lehrer, Samantha Washburn

### — Birthdays —

**September 04** - Leslie Harrison

**September 21** - Bob Tracht

**October 25** - Cathy Platte

**October 27** - Fred Fox

### — Club Anniversaries —

**September 01** - Ralph Pisano

**September 02** - Leslie Harrison

**September 04** - Fred Fox

**September 26** - Ron Cook and Grant Walls

**October 01** - Scott Slocum

**October 02** - Dave Dreffer

**October 03** - Roger Markin

**October 15** - Roger Skelley-Watts

**October 24** - Jena Viock

### — Financial Report —

August 2007

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Income ..... | \$13,252.74 |
| Expense..... | \$3,569.76  |
| Net .....    | \$9,682.98  |

### Balance Sheet - As of August 2007

#### Assets

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Current ..... | \$14,795.74 |
| Fixed.....    | \$21,829.29 |
| Other.....    | \$10,265.30 |
| Total .....   | \$46,890.33 |

#### Liabilities and Equities

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| Equity..... | \$46,890.33 |
| Total ..... | \$46,890.33 |

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### — Congratulations —

Ralph has been a member 49 years!!

Jim and Cathy on their 40th wedding anniversary!

Roger M. and Barb on their 55th wedding anniversary!

### — Grunt Award —

Congratulations to Trey as the winner of the now-to-be annual Rotary Festival Grunt Award! The striking trophy featuring a "gold plated" elegant pig was awarded by Bill Hess, it's first recipient. Bill received the award from Dave Dreffer in recognition of his working while ill at a previous Festival. This award to show "what a pig could really do" will be presented annually for the biggest contribution at the Festival. Congratulations, Trey!

### — Upcoming —

September 22 - President of Rotary International Wilfrid J. Wilkinson at Ashland University, 5:30 - 9 PM

### Four Way Test of the Things We Say and Do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

**Service Above Self, They Profit Most Who Serve Best**