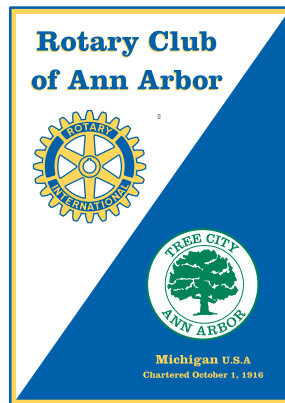




# **Rotary Club of Ann Arbor**



## **Annual Report**

2005 – 2006



## CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What an enjoyable Rotary year, July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006, it was for me! Thanks for the privilege and honor to serve as your Club's President!

When I stood before you in June 2005, I said that it was "my fervent hope that the Club wouldn't fall apart on my watch." I went on to say that I suspect that's been a feeling that every President faced at the outset. My observation was that our strong and active membership, Board and Officers would not let that happen."

As I reflect on the year, I want to acknowledge the strong support from all members, Directors, officers, John White as Club Administrator, as well as Debbie, my wife. I also want to give special recognition to Paul Glendon for his role as mentor while I prepared for the responsibility – Paul retired from the Board after five years of service but fortunately continues to be active in Club activities. Club Presidents benefit so much from the strong commitment of our Secretary Downs Herold; Sergeant at Arms, Al Burdi (elected President Nominee); Club Treasurer, John Ackenhusen; Endowment Treasurer, David Gunderson and all the committee chairs, song leaders, piano players – the list of those to thank is extensive.

As I reflect on the 2005-06 year, the theme was "Service Above Self", I would like to share with you a list of the Rotary Club of Ann Arbor's significant accomplishments:

- Exceeded our membership goal by reaching 307 as of April 1; welcomed 32 new members and two returning members. Sadly we lost Harm Buning, Doug Crary, and Bob Hughes, Bob had served the Club as Secretary for 17 years (1980-97)
- Sponsored the formation of a second Interact Club at Pioneer High School
- Introduced "Get to Know Local Not-For-Profit" series of short presentations whereby new members introduce to the Club membership a Not-For-Profit agency
- Distributed almost \$50,000 through our Community Service Allocations process to local nonprofit organizations helping youth succeed
- Recognized Anne Glendon, Richard Ingram, Mike Marich and Ken Westerman with the Paul Harris Distinguished Service Award for their long time contributions to the community
- Initiated an International Humanitarian Project, recruited host Club and other sponsoring Michigan Clubs on an expedited schedule so that procurement and delivery of furnishings for the Lingap Orphanage in the Philippines could be executed in time to match the completion of the building construction. (This is significant because it enabled the children to escape from the wretched old facility, as well as additional children, to all move into their new quarters at the earliest possible time.)
- Significantly increased financial support for International Humanitarian projects – Ghana (clubfoot remediation), Bangalore, India (vocational education), and Pune, India (reading machines for the blind).
- Served as host to another contingent of Ambassadorial scholars
- Successfully conducted the second annual "Rotate Your Food" initiative in which food was collected and sorted to provide 2,204 meals. The Club partnered with the Food Gatherers organization and was joined in its efforts by the Ypsilanti and Dexter Rotary Clubs.
- Revamped new member orientation program presentation with PowerPoint material.
- Established an Internal Financial Procedures Committee as a permanent, standing committee, chaired by the club's immediate past president, with at least three additional members appointed by club board of directors to review at least quarterly compliance

with adopted procedures and financial reports and report results of those reviews to the club's Board of Directors.

- Successful annual golf outing netted \$53,900, the proceeds of which are being used to support, for the second of three years, a replacement of trees destroyed by the emerald ash borer (working with the City of Ann Arbor) and scholarships for high school students.
- Planted additional trees involving 150 volunteers and contributed money for the tree replacements (total contributed to date, \$47,569.)
- Increased support for the Rotary Foundation, and exceeded our EREY goal with \$39,925 of Annual Program Fund support (292 members – avg. about \$137 a member) and placed among the top ten percent of all “large clubs” in Rotary International, and aided by an incentive program using the Club’s Foundation Recognition Points, ten of our members became first-level Paul Harris Fellows. The Club was recognized by the District for being first in Total Annual Program Funds support and first for Total Giving with \$61,199, which includes the club’s contribution to international humanitarian projects.
- Added second school to Rotary mentors program assisting with reading and math.
- School Literacy project – Imamlar, Turkey – started a school library in the village of Imamlar, Turkey as part of a joint project with Denizli Rotary Club, Denizli, Turkey
- Donated \$2,000 to Washtenaw Literacy for its Power Tutoring project to provide Basic Literacy and ESL (English as a Second Language) Tutors strategies for better tutoring.
- Ann Arbor Rotaract members ran the Junior Great Books program in a local elementary school – second year, and reached 200 second graders. The Rotaract Club also sponsored the first annual Club bowling party.
- Introduced “Strive @ Work” – workplace visits for STRIVE, high school, students and the mentorship program, “STRIVE - Rotary Partner”.

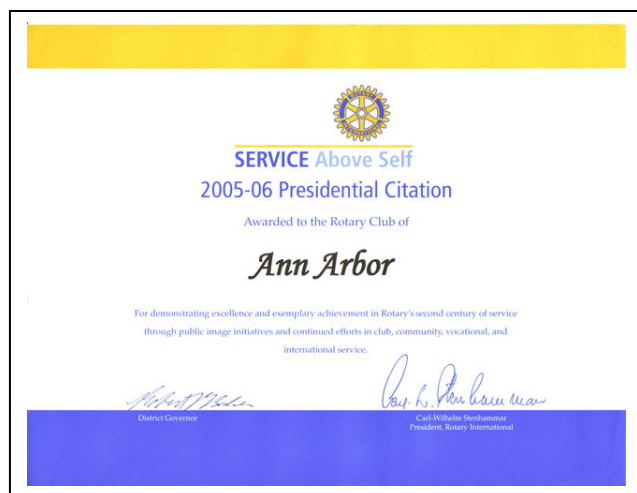
All of these Club accomplishments earned our Club the Rotary International 2005-06 Presidential Citation Certification. In addition, the Club earned the District 6380 and Zone 28 Literacy Awards for its accomplishment with literacy activities and the District’s Significant Achievement Award for the tree planting/replacement project. Congratulations to you all!

Many, many thanks for the opportunity! You’re great!

Respectfully,



Norman G. Herbert



Our 2005-2006 Presidential Citation

## **CLUB MEMBERSHIP PROFILE**

Downs Herold, Secretary

The membership of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club at the end of Rotary Year 2005-06 stood at 303. Three of our members are honorary members. In addition, 90 of our members are excused from weekly attendance since their aggregate of age and years of membership are 85 or more. We have honored 99 of our members and community leaders as Honorary Paul Harris Fellows while also awarding them the Club's Distinguished Service Award. An additional 112 have become Paul Harris Fellows through their personal contributions to the Rotary International Foundation; ten became new Paul Harris Fellows during the year.

We have one member who has reached the distinguished age of 90 years; thirty-seven members of the Club are 80 years of age or older. Our youngest member is 29 years of age. Sixty-nine of our members are female; 234 are not.

Seventy-six of our members have been in Rotary for less than three years. Surprisingly, eleven have been in the Club for over 40 years, and one has been a member for 56 years. 25% of the members have been in the club over 20 years. Although we are often known as the "Town and Gown" Club, only 62 Club members (or 21%) are affiliated with the University of Michigan. This percentage has decreased from earlier years but seems to have stabilized in the low 20s.

If you are the "median" Ann Arbor Rotarian, you are 64 years of age and have been in the Ann Arbor Rotary Club for 9 years. A similar report in 1946 showed the average age at 61 with 14 years of service.

Today there are more than 1,209,790 Rotarians worldwide. Rotary exists in 168 countries, and we are one of more than 32,462 Rotary Clubs worldwide. It is interesting to note that there are less than 70 Clubs larger than the Ann Arbor Club. In Michigan, only Grand Rapids and Traverse City have a larger membership.

## **SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT**

Al Burdi, Sergeant at Arms

During 2005-06, the Sergeant at Arms discharged his responsibilities in a number of ways, including: (1) taking full responsibility for the administration of the Club's setup committee for weekly meetings; (2) fulfilling the awesome task of beginning the weekly meetings on time with a loud clang of the rotary bell; (3) assisting the President and Club Secretary as called upon; (4) participating in the monthly Board meetings; and (5) grooming his carefully-selected successor for the 2006-07 year and beyond since Al was selected to be President Nominee (President for 2007-08). In that the behavior of club members at weekly meetings was characteristically courteous and generally quiescent [as was the case of the Board at its monthly meetings] there was no need for the Sergeant at Arms to militantly squelch any untoward events or uprisings – although he was prepared to act swiftly and decisively! The only event that came close to creating problems was when one of our members, a graduate of Ohio State University, created a fuss after defeating the Wolverine football team!

## CLUB LEADERSHIP 2005-2006

### OFFICERS

President	Norman Herbert
VP/Pres-Elect	Ingrid Sheldon
Immediate Past Pres.	Paul Glendon
Secretary	Downs Herold
Treasurer	John Ackenhusen
Endowment Treas.	David Gunderson
Sgt. at Arms	Al Burdi

### DIRECTORS

Jim Cook  
Beth Fitzsimmons  
Ray Rabidoux  
Nishta Bhatia  
Ian Glassford  
Deb Polich

### ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

Bernie Bedell  
George Cress  
Charlie Crone  
Anne Glendon, Sec.  
Paul Glendon  
Dave Gunderson  
Norman Herbert  
Pam Horiszny  
Ingrid Sheldon  
Bob Swistock

### COMMITTEES

Nominating	Paul Glendon
Distinguished Service Award	Paul Glendon
Endow. Develop.	Paul Glendon, Brooks Sitterley
Rotary Foundation	Paul Glendon

### Club Service

Program	<b>Beth Fitzsimmons</b> Mike Marich, Bernie Galler
Set-Up	Al Burdi
Music	Larry Henkel, Ingrid Sheldon
Mtg. Assignments	Ingrid Deininger Lois Jelneck

### Membership

Membership Devel.  
Member Survey

Social

Bowling  
Outing/Fun Day

### Communication

Member Directory

Harpoon  
Website  
Public Relations  
Club History

### Community Service

Allocations

Scholarships  
STRIVE

Tree Planting  
Food Gathering

### Youth/Vocational

Junior Rotarians

RYLA  
Rotary Tutors  
Interact

Rotaract

Rotary Youth Exch.

### Intl. Service

Ambass. Scholars  
(Outbound)  
Inbound Scholars  
Int'l. Projects  
Twin Clubs

### Ray Rabidoux

John Eman  
Sam Offen  
Jill Arnold  
Millie Danielson  
Chris Conlin  
Dick Elwell  
Jim Cook

### Deb Polich

Hal Flynn  
Cynthia Sorensen  
Don Faber  
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Carl Gingles  
Tom Conlin

### Ian Glassford

Jim Frenza  
Bill Dunifon  
Milo White  
Ann Schriber  
Carolyn Shear  
Ian Glassford  
Christina McMullen

### Nishta Bhatia

Larry Henkel  
Al Storey  
Wayne Colquitt  
Barbara DeBrodt  
Peter Wright  
Ed Wier (Huron)  
Brandt Coultas  
(Pioneer)  
Elaine Alexander  
Joanne Pierson  
Jim Kosteva

### Jim Cook

Scott Westerman  
John Rasmussen  
Nishta Bhatia  
Phil Alexander

## SERVICE AREA REPORTS

### CLUB SERVICE

Director: Beth Fitzsimmons

#### Program

Mike Marich and Bernie Galler

The Program Committee continues to offer quality programs to the membership. All 49 programs presented during the year were carefully previewed and evaluated by a committee of 23 members and chaired by Mike Marich and Bernie Galler. The procedure for recommending speakers through the use of the Rotary Website nomination forms was continued. Each potential speaker is sent a letter, brochure, and information sheet about the Club. A contact person and introducer is assigned to each speaker. Several new members joined this popular committee.

Emphasis has been placed on presenting balanced programs—academic, athletic, local and national interests. Approximately one program a month is prescribed by Rotary leadership and deals with Rotary International and District programs as well as our local Rotary projects. Legacy programs such as those presented by football coach Lloyd Carr, basketball coach Tommy Amaker, Mayor John Hieftje, and the choirs from Pioneer and Huron High Schools are popular and repeated each year. Time is managed carefully so that our speakers get their maximum allotted time. Bernie Galler maintained the database of past speakers and a database of potential speakers. Typically the schedule is planned 4-5 months in advance. Greg Cook along with Bernie Galler coordinated all audio-visual needs for our speakers. The Rotary investment in a projector and other audio visual equipment has enhanced the program delivery. Ingrid Deininger and Lois Jelneck continue to coordinate weekly attendance takers, hosts, greeters and those giving the invocation. Rotarians and guests continue to comment on the fine quality of our club's programs and speakers. Much time, talent, and effort is given by the Program Committee to make this possible.

### MEMBERSHIP

Director: Ray Rabidoux

#### Membership Development

John Eman and Agnes Reading

As the year wound down, John Eman handed off the chairmanship of The Membership Development Committee (MDC) to Agnes Reading, after several years of successful leadership. A total of 32 new members were inducted during the year in July, November and March. In addition, two past members were reinstated. The club members continued recruiting excellent new members, representative of the community, to strengthen the club's ability to grow and expand its mission. The Club passed the 300-member mark this past year for the first time in its history. Emphasis by the committee this year has been on studying how to assure that new members are mainstreamed into committee/project participation and how to promote good attendance practices among the members.

#### Member Survey

Sam Offen

Sam Offen assisted the Club leadership in conducting the annual member interest survey in April. The survey was conducted via the internet, using "Survey Monkey" software. The process was quick and easy on the computer; 233 members participated in the survey, a 76.9% response rate – excellent. Several constructive changes were made to the survey instrument this year, helping to improve its relevance in planning programs and improvements to spur club member interest and participation.

#### Social

Millie Danielson and Chris Conlin

This committee planned and hosted three events this year, beginning in November with the Performance Network's production of "Jacob Marley's A Christmas Carol". In January, members and guests were treated to a delightful

preview presentation of “Wine, Women and Song” at the Kerrytown Concert House. The club’s traditional Spring Fling was held in May, at Barton Hills, featuring wonderful culinary treats, piano music, and a stroll on the new Barton Hills Terrace, overlooking the course.

The custom begun over a year ago of drawing lunch table seating assignments from a hat continued to make First Wednesday club meetings a way to stimulate the mixing of club members and spurring new friendships in the Anderson Room.

### **Bowling**

Dick Elwell

The Rotary bowling team had another successful season; it’s 66th in the Service Club league. The team finished in 10th place in a 14 team league. A great spirit of camaraderie is shared by all team members and a good time is always had by all. With new members in the club expressing interest in bowling, it is anticipated the Club will field two teams next season.

### **Golf and Family Outing**

Jim Cook and Markey Butler

The focus this year was on broadening the event to become a family affair, with major emphasis placed on building the family fun portion of the day, games and prizes for all. The outing’s major objectives this year was to raise funds to help replace the hundreds of Ash trees in our community, devastated by the Ash Borer infestation and to further the Club’s support for youth by improving and expanding the scholarships for college, including the Strive program. The success of the outing this year was dramatic, both in terms of participants and in terms of funds raised. Over \$50,000 was raised, thanks to the participation and support of our members and many other local community participants. An award dinner and auction capped the day’s events. This year was Markey’s swan song in charge of the auction, as she retired again to her home in Aspen, in the fall.

## **PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS**

Director: Deb Polich

Our weekly newsletter continues to be the club’s weekly source of information thanks to Editor Don Faber and his team of reporters and Club Administrator John White who has produced and distributed the Harpoon. We are working with the Harpoon committee to distribute many of John’s duties so that he may focus on other Rotary duties. Dan Romanchik stepped up to help with the Website content and management. The 2005-2006 Member Directory was aptly updated, published and posted on our website as well as printed for those that wanted hard copies. Immediate past President Paul Glendon prepared the 2004-2005 Annual Report. The archive committee continues to gather and store the records of the Ann Arbor Rotary. Fred Beutler is interested in devising a photo storage process too.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Director: Ian Glassford

### **Community Allocations**

Jim Frenza and Bill Dunifon

\$49,800 was awarded to 17 local agencies. Our Club supports specific programs, under the theme of “helping kids succeed.” Sixty-two grant requests were received, reviewed and ranked by the committee. CA’s 16 Rotarian members awarded grants using the following three program goals: 1) Helping children of all ages in our area to grow educationally, socially, and build their self esteem. 2) Help young adults learn skills required to succeed in later life. 3) Fund support services for at-risk children in our area.

### **Tree Planting Project**

Ian Glassford & John Laird

This past year, fall 2005 and Spring 2006 planting resumed with volunteers from both INTERACT clubs and the University of Michigan Rotaract group combining with our own membership to help beautify the city. More than 175 volunteers worked with the city forestry crews on 5 separate Saturdays and

planted 325 trees in six city parks. Money raised through the annual Rotary Golf Outing was used to support the tree effort and a total of \$17,500 was donated to the cause. The Ann Arbor City Council recognized the Club for this project with a Resolution. Our Rotary District 6380 recognized the Club for this Tree Planting project with the Significant Achievement Award for 2005.

### **Rotate Your Food**

Chris McMullen

For the second consecutive year, we partnered with our local food rescue/food bank program, Food Gatherers, to collect much-needed food for non-profit programs throughout Washtenaw County that fight hunger every day. The Club invited other Rotary Clubs in the area to join the effort to collect non-perishable food. As a first step in collaborating with other Clubs, we were joined by the Ypsilanti and Dexter Rotary Clubs. Forty-seven businesses and organizations, up from thirty-five, were part of the local food drive, held June 5 through 17. The effort included picking up food collection bins, delivering food to the Ann Arbor District Library, hauling bins back to Food Gatherers, donating food themselves, and sorting and packing donated food for distribution. 3,306 pounds of non-perishable food was collected, which translates into 2,204 meals; a \$5,256 value!

### **Not-for-Profit Series**

Jim Frenza

Our Club has long prided itself on its members' involvement in the community and in particular with other Not-for-Profits. The Not-for-Profits play such an important role in the fabric of the Ann Arbor Community that President Norman thought it would be appropriate to inform the Club about some of the Not-for-Profits in our community. This would also provide a greater understanding of the challenges facing the Rotary Community Allocations process.

At several meetings of the Club between October of 2005 and June of 2006, executive directors of local nonprofit organizations were

invited to address the membership with brief presentations of their agencies' work and history. Each was introduced by a recently-enrolled Club member. Most, but not all, of the featured agencies have received funding through the Rotary's Community Allocations program. In all, 15 five-minute presentations were made. The program was popular with the membership and with the nonprofit leaders, who were grateful for the opportunity to speak before the Club.

### **High School Scholarships**

Milo White

The Rotary Club High School Scholarship Committee's purpose is to distribute funds from the Club's endowment to worthy graduating seniors from the Ann Arbor area three public high schools (Pioneer, Huron and Community), from Father Gabriel Richard Catholic High School and from Greenhills High School. Approximately, ten or twelve students are nominated by the counselors from these five school based on their financial need, their academic achievement, their leadership and their participation in school and community events. The Scholarship Committee then reviews their applications and divides the funds available among the nominees with financial need for college financial support the primary criteria. The students and their schools are then notified. During June the winners were invited to the Club's meeting with their parents or friends and thanked the membership for its generosity and financial support for their first year in college. Twelve students from these five secondary schools were awarded \$20,000 in scholarships and presented to the Club during June of 2006.

### **STRIVE**

Ann Schriber & Carolyn Shear

STRIVE is a competition-based program among students at Stone High School, Ann Arbor's high school of last resort. Students in STRIVE are measured on GPA improvements, attendance of at least 90%, and compliance with a pledge not to use alcohol or drugs. STRIVE creates an atmosphere of accountability. \$15,000 was committed to Washtenaw Community College

scholarships for STRIVE winners. The committee obtains student incentives throughout the school year, organizes an annual awards banquet, and hosts STRIVE students at two Rotary meetings during the school year, one to introduce the first marking period winners and the second at the end of the school year to congratulate the winners.

In addition, the Committee hosted the winners and their families at a STRIVE Banquet where Joe Fitzsimmons was the featured speaker.

During the year, committee members also participated with STRIVE students in the Challenge Day at Cobblestone Farm, introduced our STRIVE students to the world of work through the STRIVE@Work program, under Rick Reid's inspiration and leadership. Through this program 4-5 Strivers, in separate groups, participated in two workplace visits. Both Zingerman's, in October, and Bivouac, in April, volunteered their time and expertise at their work sites. Students were able to view the workplace, learn about its culture and expectations, and ask work related questions of the owners/ entrepreneurs, Paul Saginaw and Ed Davidson, respectively.

To insure success beyond Stone School, the students need some guidance and encouragement. The STRIVE-Rotary Partner Program was initiated during the year. This new program involves the pairing of one STRIVE scholarship winner with a Rotarian, who will meet the scholar and his family at several STRIVE events. The Rotarian is responsible for maintaining contact with the student throughout the summer to find out how he/she is doing and what his/her plans are for attendance at WCC. The goal of this collaboration between a Rotary partner and STRIVE winner will make it easier for the student to follow through with post secondary plans, and will give Rotary information on the success of the program.

The STRIVE Committee maintains good communication with Stone School through its Principal Gayl Dybdahl and Counselor Daphne Slater.

## **YOUTH & VOCATIONAL SERVICE**

Director: Nishta Bhatia

### **Junior Rotarians**

Larry Henkel & Al Storey

Our club again honored and hosted twenty-seven students from five Ann Arbor high schools as Junior Rotarians. Each of them attended two club meetings and spoke at one, received orientation in all things Rotary from a past president of our club, was paired with two club members acting as host and vocational advisor, and received a photo and certificate commemorating the experience.

In an effort to keep Rotary in the sights of the Junior Rotarians and Interactors, the Club is exploring ways in which Rotary Clubs in the area of where the former Junior Rotarians and Interact students are enrolled in college could be informed of their presence. If there is a Rotaract Club in that area, hopefully the former Junior Rotarians and Interact students would be invited to consider continuing their involvement with Rotary.

The leadership for the Junior Rotarians has been transitioned to Tony Nam and Mark Foster. They succeed Larry Henkel and Al Storey, both of whom have provided significant and committed leadership for the past several years – we are very thankful for that.

### **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**

Wayne Colquitt

We sponsored fourteen students to attend the annual Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) weekend in Ridgetown, Ontario. The sponsor teachers of the Interact Clubs at the high schools are identifying very qualified students to attend and this year we had seven students from each of the two clubs. The students from this area, through the good support of the AATA, are provided transportation to Southfield where the students then board another bus for the trip to Ridgetown. Our Club provides funding to help defray costs for the transportation and conference costs.

### **Rotary Tutors**

Barbara Debrodt

The number of Rotary reading and math tutors jumped this year from 30 to 48, a 60 percent increase. Moreover, for the first time, they served two elementary schools, Angell and Burns Park. The group included Rotarians, spouses, UM Rotaract members, and one visiting Rotarian. Students ranged from a girl survivor of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans to a young man who spoke only Arabic. Again, "M is for Mitten," an alphabet book featuring Michigan sites, was given to some 60 graduating kindergarten boys and girls, many of whom were returning to foreign countries.

### **Interact Club**

Peter Wright, Ed Wier (Huron), and Brandt Coultas (Pioneer)

This was an outstanding year for the interact committee. Under the leadership of Peter Wright and Brandt Coultas a new club was founded and chartered at Pioneer High School. Brandt guided the club in its early organization and got them on their feet. Later in the year several new members were added to the committee. Dennis Norton and Dan Romanchik took over as liaison of the Pioneer group. The club initially struggled to get membership and to work on projects but as the year continued it was obvious that momentum was building and membership increased. New officers and directors were given the opportunity to attend Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) in the spring and they came back fully energized and ready for the next school year.

The Huron club has been active for the past three years and under the capable leadership of Ed Weir has become one of the premier clubs at the school. Karen Kerry has joined Ed as liaison of the Huron group. Under their collective guidance, the club has gone through another election and has competent leaders in place for the next school year. The club ran a number of successful projects during the school year.

This year the committee established a year end picnic for the officers and directors of the two Interact clubs. This was our clubs way of

honoring them for their commitment and service and to wish them well in their new endeavors. Each member was given a Rotary pen as a memento. This will become an annual event at the end of the school year.

### **Rotaract Club**

Elaine Alexander and Joanne Pierson

Completing its second year, the UM Rotaract Club continued to strive towards its goals (all of which will continue next year) of expanding membership, developing and solidifying its programs, and fundraising. We were successful in increasing membership to approximately 25 Rotaractors. With over 250 clubs available to UM students, recruitment and retention of members is a challenge and will continue to be in light of student graduation and a lack of non-UM member recruitment. Local projects, such as holding a "Crafts" day with 100 first and second graders, working at a soup kitchen, and assisting Rotarians with fall and spring tree planting, were successful and will be continued and expanded in 2006-07. A bowling fundraising event was held for the first time in January 2006 between Rotaractors and Rotarians and will be continued next year. Professional Development activities were successfully introduced to the general meetings with presentations by our Rotary Club members. Given that the current officers, who founded the Club, will be graduating in spring 2008, of critical importance to the sustainability of Rotaract will be to identify and mentor the "next generation" of officers. This will be a major goal for the upcoming year. In addition, our Rotary Club will need to prioritize new member participation on the Rotaract committee in order to fully support the development of the Rotaract Club and mentor its officers.

### **Rotary Youth Exchange**

Jim Kosteva

The Rotary Youth Exchange Committee experienced great success this year facilitating the district and regional approval of two local students to spend the academic year abroad. Emily Hamilton will be studying in India and Tyler Warren in France. The Committee also continues to make progress in communicating

with high school counselors and advisors regarding the opportunities provided through the Rotary Youth Exchange program.

## **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

Director: Jim Cook

### **International Humanitarian Projects**

Nishta Bhatia

The committee has had an extremely productive year and is very grateful to the Club for the increased level of support for these activities. The following three projects were completed: Computer Education in Calauag, the Philippines; Vocational Education in Bangalore, India; and Installation of Reading Machines for the Blind in Pune, India.

Highlights of new projects initiated in the 2005/06 fiscal year are as follows:

The Lingap Orphanage Project in Toledo City on the island of Cebu, the Philippines was submitted to Rotary International, approved and fully executed during the year. Our club helped design the project, recruited the other Rotary participants and provided funds to furnish a brand new building which will house 100 orphans. We did this in conjunction with the Toledo West Club in the Philippines and with two Jackson Rotary Clubs. In April two members of the committee attended the dedication ceremony in Cebu. Project cost \$30,265.28. Club contribution \$11,990.

The Turkey Library Project was approved by Rotary International to provide books and computers to a school in Denizli, Turkey. The project is underway. Project cost \$11,000. Club contribution \$3000.

The Artificial Reef Project in Gumaca, on the island of Luzon, the Philippines was approved by Rotary International and provides materials to construct a biodegradable reef to help restore the fish population near Gumaca. The project is under way. Project cost \$15,000. Club contribution \$6,273.50

Two projects have been identified for support in FY 06-07. They are:

The Bangalore, India, project to procure a medical van to transport technicians and equipment to remote areas to provide artificial limbs to the handicapped poor. \$5,500 has been allocated to this project.

The Santarem, Brazil, project to electronically link the various Rotary supported clinics of Fundacao Esperanca via satellite. \$6,500 has been allocated to the project.

### **Ambassadorial Scholars (Inbound)**

John Rasmussen

In 2005-2006 District 6380 hosted nine (9) Ambassadorial Scholars who were studying at either U of M or EMU. Members of our Club hosted 8 of the scholars.

Scholars and hosts attended a fall reception held at the home of John and Marilyn Rasmussen. This fall orientation for new scholars and hosts is an annual social event attended by the District Governor, Rotary families and prospective hosts.

Scholars accepted invitations to speak at district clubs including Farmington, Saline, Southfield (2), Waterford and Davisburg.

Unfortunately, this year the Ann Arbor Rotary Club's programs were otherwise booked, and our Club missed the opportunity to hear our scholars speak. Both the Club and District leadership have requested that in the future annual fall and spring dates be set aside for programs featuring our scholars.

### **Ambassadorial Scholars (Outbound)**

Scott Westerman

The committee had hoped to recruit several applicants interested in Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships. Three inquiries were initiated, but no completed applications were received. However, one of the interested parties may apply next year. The Club did have the opportunity to hear a current Ambassadorial Scholar sponsored by our District report on her experiences under the program.

## **International Outreach Committee**

Phil Alexander

This has been a start up year for the Committee. The charter for its predecessor, the Sister Club Committee, expired at the end of June, 2005, and the committee had completed its major work, a Friendship Exchange trip to India. As a result, several months were spent considering what new mission, if any, was appropriate for the committee. A revised charter was developed and approved by the Club's Board, and the scope of the committee was increased to include essentially all activities involving Rotarians in international travel. The two sister club relationships with Rotary Clubs, Pune Central and Bangalore Midtown in India, were continued; and the committee accepted responsibility for Group Study Exchange (GSE) team activities.

In September, the six Rotarians (Elaine and Phil Alexander, Fred and Sue Beutler, Jim Martin, Ashish Sarkar) along with Nancy Martin, who traveled to India as part of our Sister Club Friendship Exchange, were presented with Ambassador of Goodwill Awards. This new, club level award is made to Rotarians who travel to another country at their own expense to further the goals and objectives of Rotary. In May 2006, two additional Ann Arbor Rotarians earned the award by traveling to the Philippines to attend the dedication of the Lingap Center orphanage, one of our Club's International Humanitarian Projects.

The new committee's main task for the balance of the year was to review a request to have the Club host a group of Russian entrepreneurs under the Productivity Enhancement Program (PEP). The committee spent several months researching the program, talking with Rotarians from other clubs who have previously carried out this three week activity, and working with the Program Director for the Center for Citizen Initiatives, the organization administrating the PEP program. In June, the committee recommended that our club should undertake this program with a target date for the visit of October 2007. The Board accepted this recommendation.

For the coming year, the committee looks forward not only to working on the planning for the visit of the Russian entrepreneurs but also to participating next April in the District's planned GSE activities with a District in Thailand. They also hope to facilitate more international Rotary travel for the Club's membership.

**OPERATING FUND**  
**Income and Expense Report**  
 John Ackenhusen, Club Treasurer

	<b>Budget 2006</b>	<b>Actual 2006</b>	<b>Actual 2005</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
Interest	\$ 470	\$ 1,238	\$ 0
Dues	67,800	69,130	69,675
New Member Fees	1,350	840	1,205
Social Events	5,000	3,225	5,270
Other	0	395	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$74,620</b>	<b>\$74,828</b>	<b>\$76,150</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
RI Dues	17,612	17,891	15,578
District Dues	10,200	10,220	9,730
Union Rental	13,500	12,950	13,609
Club Administration	12,500	12,500	7,958
Admin. Supplies	3,000	3,677	2,768
Mailing Costs	250	144	367
Group Study Exchange	0	0	0
Fidelity Bond	106	0	0
Tax Preparation	650	645	720
D/O Liability Insurance	0	478	950
Program Expenses	500	605	714
Luncheon Guests	1025	1,264	1,413
Annual Report	250	77	179
Directory	125	543	330
Club Brochure	0	0	832
Intl. Conference	3,600	3,600	1,248
PETS/COTS	500	273	774
RYLA	0	0	760
Dist. Conf. Exp.	500	823	506
Board Retreat	500	364	435
New Members Induction	1,350	1,607	776
Social Events	5,000	3,860	6,010
Rotary Tutors	0	0	1,066
Jr. Rotarians	0	0	60
Interact	0	0	120
Rotaract	0	0	2,096
Twin Clubs	0	0	382
Brokerage Annual Fee	65	65	0
Bank Charges	50	36	100
Website	750	189	0
Miscellaneous	2387	1,143	2,667
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$74,620</b>	<b>\$72,954</b>	<b>\$72,388</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,874</b>	<b>\$3,762</b>

**OPERATING FUND**  
**Balance Sheet (Preliminary)**  
as of June 30, 2006

**Assets**

Cash and Cash Equivalents \$30,058.58

**Total Assets** **\$30,058.58**

**Liabilities & Net Assets**

**Net Assets**

Fund Balance \$30,058.58

Total Net Assets \$30,058.58

**Total Liabilities & Net Assets** **\$30,058.58**

## ANN ARBOR ROTARY ENDOWMENT

David Gunderson, Endowment Treasurer

### Permanent Endowment Contributors

Thank you to the following for their cumulative contributions toward the growth of the Ann Arbor Rotary Endowment.

#### **\$5,000-9,999**

Herb Amster  
Daniel Balbach  
Howard Cooper  
George Cress  
Jay De Lay  
John Debbink  
John Dobson  
Anne Glendon  
Paul Glendon  
Jerry M.Gray  
Frank Kennedy  
Gloria Kerry  
Adam Kozma  
Paul McCracken  
Sang Nam  
John Oberdick  
Robert Tisch

#### **\$10,000 – 24,999**

Jack Edman  
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Richard Hadler  
John A McMillan  
Gerald Prescott  
Judy Dow Rumelhart  
Paul Ungrodt

#### **\$25,000 and up**

Anonymous  
William Dobson  
Rolland B. Lyons  
Karl Malcolm  
Frederick McOmber  
Robert Meyers  
Millard Pryor

## Scholarships

### ***Endowed Scholarships***

The Cornelius Tuomy Scholarship  
The Russell and Minnie Hussey Scholarship  
The Millard H. Pryor Scholarship  
The Robert A. Meyers Scholarship – STRIVE  
The William T. Dobson Scholarship  
The Frederick N. McOmber Scholarship  
The Karl D. Malcolm, M.D. Scholarship  
The James and Betty Lester Scholarship – STRIVE

### ***Scholarships Funded with Balance Due by Bequest***

The John C. Rosemergy Scholarship  
The Shear Family Scholarship  
The Weston Palmer Scholarship  
The George T. Felbeck, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

### ***Scholarships to be Funded by Bequest***

The Larry and Mark Ouimet Family Scholarship  
The Robert C. Hughes Scholarship

**ANN ARBOR ROTARY ENDOWMENT**  
Permanent Fund

<b>Beginning market value balance 7/1/05</b>	<b>\$1,027,005</b>
Contributions received from Club members and other transfers	70,000
Dividends and Interest	24,303
Disbursed to Community Service Fund For community grants and scholarships	(34,940)
Investment market gain during year	79,073
Gift in transit	2,115
<b>Ending market value balance 6/30/06</b>	<b>\$1,167,556</b>
Pledges and bequest commitments	489,301
<b>Total Endowment</b>	<b>\$1,656,857</b>

Note: Investment assets are held in a Charles Schwab Account.

**Permanent Endowment Activity for 2005-06**

The Endowment portfolio consists of donations from Rotarians and friends in the community along with some interest income. These contributions, along with investment performance, account for the market value of the portfolio being \$1,167,556 as of June 30, 2006 – an increase of 13.5% from June 30, 2005.

The investments within the Permanent Endowment Fund are governed by an Investment Policy statement which was established and periodically reviewed by the Trustees. The policy requires that assets be invested in publicly traded, broadly diversified assets so as to obtain a total rate of return in excess of an established benchmark. This benchmark utilizes market indices that are weighted according to the Fund’s target asset allocation.

**Total Portfolio Performance**

Time Period	Rotary Portfolio	Market Benchmark
Quarter	-1.9%	-1.3%
Six months	3.3%	3.3%
One year	9.9%	9.1%
Three years	11.8%	11.4%

The Permanent Endowment Fund’s Spending Policy requires that it distribute 4.25% of the assets each year to the Community Service Fund based on the average market value for the preceding twelve quarters. For 2003-04, the amount was \$28,000; for 2004-05, it was \$30,500; for 2005-06, the amount will be \$34,950; and for 2006-07, the amount will be \$41,450. The opportunity to increase our support of community service projects and scholarships is enhanced with voluntary contributions to the Endowment Fund and bequest commitments. The trustees especially appreciate those who have considered and become part of the Legacy Circle initiative. Thank you for your support of the Ann Arbor Rotary Endowment Community Service Fund.

**ANN ARBOR ROTARY  
ENDOWMENT  
Community Service Fund**

<b>Revenue</b>	
Dues - Community Service	\$51,642
Donations – Member - Endow.	50,126
Donations - Rotary Int'l	10,679
Donations - Peace Scholarship	1,000
Donations - Katrina Relief	3,465
Donations - STRIVE	2,500
Donations - Other	900
2005 Golf Outing (net)	53,765
Interest	1,731
Permanent Endow. Distribution	34,940
Prior year surplus	14,780
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$225,528</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
Community Grants - Allocation	\$49,800
Other Comm. Service Projects	7,309
American Red Cross – Katrina	3,465
RYLA	3,140
Rotary Readers	712
Interact	662
Rotaract	1,058
Community Grants – Other	10,122
International Projects	35,364
RI – Peace Scholarship	1,000
Ash Tree Replacement	21,320
Scholarships – High School	20,000
Scholarships – STRIVE	15,000
Transfer to Perm. Endowment	50,126
Administration & General	12,825
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$231,903</b>
<b>Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>(\$6,375)</b>

**ANN ARBOR ROTARY  
ENDOWMENT  
Community Grant Recipients**

Ann Arbor Teen Center (Neutral Zone)	\$3,000
Arbor Hospice and Home Care	3,000
Child Care Network	3,000
COPE	3,000
Corner Health Center	3,000
Food Gatherers	3,000
Girl Scouts of Huron Valley	3,000
Hope Medical Clinic	2,800
Huron Trails District, BSA	3,000
Interfaith Hospitality Network	3,000
Packard Community Clinic	3,000
Peace Neighborhood Center	3,000
SOS Community Services	3,000
Student Advocacy Center	3,000
Washtenaw Camp Placement	3,000
Washtenaw Children's Dental Clinic	2,000
Washtenaw County Red Cross	3,000
<b>Total Awarded</b>	<b>\$49,800</b>

**ANN ARBOR ROTARY ENDOWMENT**  
**Balance Sheet (preliminary)**  
as of June 30, 2006

**Assets**

Current Assets

Cash and Cash equivalents	\$43,781.56
Prepaid expenses - Golf	1,050.00

**Total Current Assets** **44,831.56**

Other Assets

Investments (Charles Schwab acct.)	1,167,555.95
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**Total Assets** **\$1,212,387.51**

**Liabilities**

Current Liabilities

Accrued scholarships	\$24,500.00
Accrued Expenses	6,457.00
Deferred Revenues	17,500.00

**Total Current Liabilities** **\$48,457.00**

**Equity**

Unrestricted Permanent Endowment	\$1,120,305.95
Restricted Permanent Endowment	25,000.00
Community Service Fund – Unrestricted	18,624.56
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$1,163,930.51</b>

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** **\$1,212,387.51**

## LUNCHEON PROGRAMS FOR 2005-2006

\* denotes member of the Rotary Club of Ann Arbor

July 6, 2005

**Speaker:** John C. Hieftje\*, Mayor, City of Ann Arbor

**Topic:** "Cities in Michigan...An Endangered Species"

July 13, 2005

**Special Event:** "New Members Induction, Rotary Club of Ann Arbor"

July 20, 2005 - No meeting (Art Fairs)

July 27, 2005

**Speaker:** Lloyd Carr, Head Coach, University of Michigan Football

**Topic:** A "Go-Blue" Snapshot of Your 2005 Wolverines!

Aug. 3, 2005

**Speaker:** Tommy Amaker, Head Coach, UM Men's Basketball Program

**Topic:** "Perspectives on Michigan Basketball in 2005-06 and Beyond!"

Aug. 10, 2005

**Speakers:** Tami Jacobs, Arthur Bott and Jennifer Tislerics

**Topic:** "The Gift of Life Program - Your Signature Can Save a Life"

Aug. 17, 2005

**Speakers:** Ronald G. Miller and James W. Tottis, Detroit Institute of Arts

**Topic:** "Creating the Masterpiece and a Crown Jewel in the Arts"

Aug. 24, 2005

**Speaker:** Cheryl E. Burnett, Head Coach, U-M Women's Basketball Program

**Topic:** "Michigan Women's Basketball - 2005-2006"

Aug. 31, 2005

**Speakers:** William Miller and David Rutledge, Washtenaw Project Great Start Commission

**Topic:** "Childhood Development Programs Integral to Community Economic Growth"

Sept. 7, 2005

**Speaker:** Eileen Spring, Executive Director, Food Gatherers -Ann Arbor

**Topic:** "Food Gatherers--Helping the Hungry in our Community"

Sept. 14, 2005

**Speaker:** Carol Hutchins, Head Coach, UM Softball Program

**Topic:** "The National Championship was Great but We Need to Focus on 2006 and Beyond!"

Sept. 21, 2005

**Speaker:** Edward M. Gramlich, Retired Governor of the Federal Reserve Board

**Topic:** "Life at the Fed!"

Sept. 28, 2005

**Speaker:** Phil Alexander\*, Tour Leader, Club's Rotary Trip to India

**Topic:** "Our Friendship Exchange Trip to Our Centennial Twin Clubs in India"

Oct. 5, 2005

**Speaker:** Lynn Rivers, Ann Arbor, Former U.S. Congressperson

**Topic:** "Lawmaking in Today's America: The Good, Bad, and REALLY Ugly!"

Oct. 12, 2005

**Speaker:** Robert Baker, RI Governor, District 6380

**Topic:** "The Four Avenues of Service"

Oct. 19, 2005

**Speaker:** Robert P. Kelch, M.D., U-M Executive Vice-President for Medical Affairs

**Topic:** "The UM Health System: A Progress Report and Look toward the Future."

Oct. 26, 2005

**Speaker:** Kevin Webber, General Manager-Engineering, Toyota Technical Center, USA.

**Topic:** "Products Development for the Environment"

Nov. 2, 2005

**Speakers:** Hank Brown\*, Len Stenger\*, and Anne Glendon\* – Club Rotarians

**Topic:** “Our Club’s International Committee: Current and Future Projects”

Nov. 9, 2005

**SPECIAL EVENT:** “New Members Induction, Rotary Club of Ann Arbor”

Nov. 16, 2005

**Speakers:** James N. Morgan, Professor Emeritus of Economics, U-M

**Topic:** “Social Security”

Nov. 23, 2005

**Speaker:** David R. Williams, Collegiate Professor of Sociology, University of Michigan

**Topic:** “Health Disparities: Racial & Socioeconomic Factors”

Nov. 30, 2005

**Special Event:** “Our Annual Club Assembly”

Dec. 7, 2005

**Program:** The Pioneer High School Choir, Led by Ken Westerman, Choirs Director, “A 2005 Choral Prelude to the Winter Holiday Season”

Dec. 14, 2005

**Speaker:** Mary Sue Coleman, President, The University of Michigan

**Topic:** “The State of the University”

Dec. 21 & 28, 2005 - No meetings

Jan. 4, 2006

**Speaker:** Ambassador Ronald Weiser

**Topic:** “The Role of the U.S. Ambassador in Foreign Policy”

Jan. 11, 2006

**Speaker:** Mary Kerr, President, Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau

**Topic:** “Ann Arbor: Where the Play Begins”

Jan. 18, 2006

**Speaker:** Brian Steglitz, Senior Utilities Engineer, City of Ann Arbor

**Topic:** “Toward a Sustainable Water Future for Ann Arbor”

Jan. 25, 2006

**Speaker:** Susan Lackey, Executive Director, Washtenaw Land Trust

**Topic:** “The Importance of Sense of Place”

Feb. 1, 2006

**Speaker:** John Drake, Vice President, Human Resources, CMS

**Topic:** Lingap Project – Orphanage for Children in the Philippines

Feb. 8, 2006

**Speaker:** Erica Gwynn, District 6380 Outbound Ambassadorial Scholar for 2006-2007

**Topic:** “Ecosystem and Human Health Linkages along the Texas/Mexico Border”

Feb. 15, 2006

**Speaker:** Jim Duderstadt, President Emeritus and Professor, University of Michigan

**Topic:** “A Roadmap to Michigan’s Future”

Feb. 22, 2006

**Speaker:** Jim Irwin\*, Chairman & CEO, Wolverine Technical Staffing

**Topic:** “The University of Michigan’s Top 20 Athletes of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century”

Mar. 1, 2006

**Speaker:** Marge Wright, Director, Common Chords Hand Chimes Choir

**Program:** “A Special Concert to ‘Ring In’ the Month of March as a Prelude to Spring”

Mar. 8, 2006

**Special Event:** “New Members Induction, Rotary Club of Ann Arbor”

Mar. 15, 2006

**Speakers:** Interact Club Members at Huron and Pioneer High Schools and Members of University of Michigan Rotaract Club

**Topic:** “Interact with Rotaract”

Mar. 22, 2006

**Speaker:** Ellen Augustine, Productivity Enhancement Program [PEP], San Francisco

**Topic:** “Building Business, Building Friendship”

Mar. 29, 2006

**Speaker:** Stephen Goldstein, Ph.D.,  
Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, U-M  
**Topic:** “New Horizons in Joint  
Replacement”

April 5, 2006

**Speaker:** Mayor of Ann Arbor, John  
Hieftje\*  
**Topic:** “Update on Ann Arbor”

April 12, 2006

**Speaker:** Carol Hollenshead, Director, UM  
Center for the Education of Women,  
**Topic:** “Women in the developed World:  
An Underdeveloped Resource”

April 19, 2006

**Speaker:** Robert Grese, Director, Nichols  
Arboretum and Matthaei Botanical Gardens  
**Topic:** “Matthaei Botanical Gardens and  
Nichols Arboretum – Treasures in Our  
Midst”

April 26, 2006

**Program:** The Huron High School Choir,  
Led by Richard Ingram, Music Dept. Chair;  
“Music of the Americas”

May 3, 2006

**Speakers:** Peter West and Linda Spector of  
the Ann Arbor Academy  
**Topic:** “The Ann Arbor Academy ---  
Building on the Best!”

May 10, 2006

**Speaker:** Josie Parker\*. Director of Ann  
Arbor District Library  
**Topic:** “The Ann Arbor District Library - A  
Look into the Future”

May 17, 2006

**Speaker:** Joanne M. Pierson\*, Associate  
Director, U-M Center for Development of  
Language and Literacy  
**Topic:** “The Residential Aphasia Program at  
the University of Michigan”

May 24, 2006

**Speaker:** Jan Garfinckle, Partner,  
Arboretum Ventures; President, Michigan  
Venture Capital Association  
**Topic:** “Venture Capital’s Role in  
Michigan’s 21st Century Economy”

May 31, 2006

**Speaker:** Elaine Didier, Director, Gerald R.  
Ford Presidential Library and Museum  
**Topic:** “The Gerald R. Ford Presidential  
Library and Museum: A National Treasure”

June 7, 2006

**Speaker:** Robb Woulfe\*, Executive  
Director, Ann Arbor Summer Festival  
**Topic:** “Pull Up a Blanket ... and Stay  
Awhile”

June 14, 2006

**Speaker:** Stephanie Kadel Taras, Ph.D.,  
Owner – Time Pieces Personal Biographies  
**Topic:** “Saving Lives: How To capture Your  
Family Stories For All Time”

June 21, 2006

**Speaker:** Laura Rubin, Director, Huron  
River Watershed Council  
**Topic:** “The State of the Huron; What We  
Can Do”

June 28, 2006

**Speaker:** The Program Committee  
**Topic:** “A Musical Frenzy and More!”  
(Handing over the gavel to President Ingrid  
Sheldon

“Service Above Self”