



ROTARY ELEVATOR

July 2006

Message from the President Barbara

Happy New Rotary Year Friends!

Thank you all for the warm wishes you have extended to me as I take over the daunting task of following the wonderful Bart Sheridan as your Rotary President! Bart is a very dedicated Rotarian for whom I have the utmost respect and gratitude. Pretty big shoes to fill!

As I said in my remarks in June, I cannot lead this Club, in the new year, alone – I need your help. And as always, you answered the call. Thanks to everyone who filled out a volunteer card and to everyone who has answered “yes” when I asked for your help. Don’t turn on the “caller id” yet – I have a lot of asking left to do! Expect to hear from me.

Our International President, Bill Boyd, had the following message for us as he proclaimed “LEAD THE WAY” as the Rotary theme for 2006-2007:

“Our communities today need real role models, not distant celebrities; practical minds, not idealistic dreamers. And as we all know, our responsibilities as Rotarians go far beyond our weekly meetings; we are all responsible for making our communities – and our world – better places. There can be no boundary between Rotary and the rest of our lives. Everything we do, we must do as Rotarians, always striving to live up to the high standards that being a Rotarian requires.”

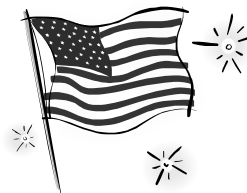
“This year, I ask you all to Lead the Way as true Rotarians – with solid integrity, steady effort, and practical good sense. Together, we can help create a better future through the simple values of Rotary.”

Sounds like President Boyd has already met the members of the Xenia Rotary Club.

Enjoy the summer fun. Be safe.

Barbara

July 4, 2006 - Holiday - No Meeting



July 11, 2006 - Meeting Notes

No Greeter today? But the Bell rang on time for President Barbara S’s first meeting. A very small crowd today??? T’was a rainy day so should not have been a golf thing. After an Invocation, an energetic bunny-like Jim Kennedy led the singing which Jim says is the “highlight” of the Rotary meeting each week.

- Rock McC on behalf of former member Rich Spitz presented a \$300 check from a Motorcycle Ride to Ripley for Rotary.
- Welcomed new member Jeff Buchanan owner of Victory Amusements.
- Brian Liming was formally presented a *Paul Harris Fellow* Award from the club for his leadership of the Annual Children’s Christmas Party. A *Paul Harris Fellow* recognition means that a \$1,000 contribution has been made to The Rotary Foundation, which administers Rotary’s polio eradication program and other humanitarian and educational initiatives.

Brian was also up to give his Personal Profile today. Brian said we should try not to confuse him with his twin brother Alan. A Xenia native and 1974 XHS grad is also a grad of Central State U. He taught at the OS&SO graphics and printing before starting his own business, *ScreenPlay*. Brian was club president 2003-04.

Sarge of the Day Tom Z. started with some jokes and then fined several folks appearing in the local paper- Barb S for After Prom, Joe M for scholarship, Dave T. for Y check, Mike Stephens for Urgent Care opening. Happy was Brad M. for 30th HS reunion, 50th Anniversary of Montgomery Insurance, and 26th wedding anniversary. John Meyer for his new working pacemaker, Randy O. for new grant money.

Dave Wedderburn, program chair introduced our own Mark McDonnell with no bio. But FYI Mark is the Health Commissioner for the Greene County Combined Health District and does have the initials RS, MS after his name. We also know he is a BIG Ohio State guy and played some golf up there too. Mark spoke on *All We Need to Know about the Bird Flu* showing many slides on what we know and what we do not know the



Bird Flu. See the web site www.ohiopandemicflu.gov for lots of the details.

As of June 11, 2006 there is no Asian Bird Flu in the United States. You must have close contact with poultry such as feeding and slaughtering of the birds. It does not transmit easily to humans. The real concern is that this influenza is mutating at a fast rate so vaccines cannot be made fast enough to cover the new strains. We have had three 20th Century pandemics: 1918 when 50,000 people died from influenza; 1957 when 70,000 died and 1968 when 34,000 died. Most flu can be avoided with a flu shot, washing hands often, staying home if ill and avoiding contact with infected people.

Plans have been made in case of another pandemic but do not expect the state or federal governments to help much. For example, there will not be enough vaccine available for the Bird Flu. Katrina was a regional problem; a country wide pandemic will be worse. Quarantine days closing schools and businesses like snow days are being planned in the event of an outbreak. The local Health District will be making announcements and educating the public as more information becomes available.

July 18, 2006 - Meeting Notes

Greeting was old timer or we should save a "more senior" member Vern Moll. Joe Mullins at the podium for the missing President Barbara S. on only her second meeting? Nice crowd today compared to the last couple of weeks. Guests included Eric "Pizza Man" Marcus now a Beavercreek Rotarian and Dave Fleming, a frequent visitor while interim pastor at Memorial Presby AND special visitor Zoya, our Russian exchange student from 5 years ago. Zoya is on a long trip visiting the U.S. and still a student studying Chinese to be an interpreter. Her husband of 3 years owns a fishing fleet of 10 ships and his busy fishing this time of the year. Joe called on the energized Jim Kennedy to lead a couple of songs.

Personal Profile came from Melissa Litteral formerly of the Sherriff's department for twelve years and now working at the Adult Probation Department. A UD under grad and grad plans to work on her PhD degree to teach at the college level full time as she now teaches at Sinclair and soon Cedarville U. in criminal justice. Married to Sherriff's Deputy husband David, she loves scrap booking and Longaberger baskets. Her 11 year old step son also keeps her busy.

Sarge for the Day was a calm Kevin Sonnycalb telling all to get out a dollar as all would pay. Asking who had not sponsored a new member to pay, all members not a past president (or acting president for Joe M.) to pay. And all members not having served as a District Governor... only one has - Doc Warner! So we all paid. 52/50 Winner - A Bradds related to David; Attendance would have been Jeff Brock but not here.

Board Announcements:

- Opening up 52/50 Raffle to the public. Sell some ticket to your friends, family and colleagues. Ask Dick L. for some tickets.
- **Xenia Rotary Golf Outing** Friday September 8 10 am. Find some players. Also looking for Hole sponsors and non-golfer volunteers to assist day of the event. See Bob Geyer.
- *Elevator* and other Rotary Info are going out via email. Send email changes to Kent Martin at

kentginny@earthlink.net. If no email or cannot get attachments, a mailing via US Postal Service will be sent. Help us save mailing expenses.

Rick Williamson program chair of the day thought we should hear about Wright State baseball as the only Ohio team to make the NCAA tournament this year. He introduced Coach Rob Cooper. From the WSU website www.wright.edu, we found that the coach played one season for University of Miami, 1992-93 and three seasons for Sacramento City College, 1989-92. His varied coaching experience is Head Coach, Wright State University, 2005-Present, Oral Roberts University, Coach, USA Baseball Junior National Team Trials, Sacramento City College, Tulane University, Wake Forest University, University of Miami, Associate Scout, Los Angeles Dodgers. Coach Cooper earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Miami in 1994 and a master's in sports sciences/administration from there in 1996. Cooper and his wife, Maureen, have two children, Tyson and Jake.



Expecting to take a couple three years to achieve his goal of a winning competitive team Coach Cooper was surprised to see this year's team come together for the first winning season in five years, win the conference tournament, go to the NCAA's and beat a top national team, Notre Dame at Notre Dame. They lost to Oregon State at their home field by 2 runs after being tied in the eighth inning. Oregon State became the NCAA Champ at the end of the College Final Four.

Pitcher Joe Smith was the 94th player picked by the Major League draft after not being picked after high school. Catcher Aaron Garcia also signed with New York Mets. Smith saved 13 games and won 3 of the 26 games won this past year. He will be hard to replace. Only 11.7 scholarship are allowed for the 33 players of which 25 will receive some scholarship money.

July 25, 2006 - Meeting Notes

Bradd Montgomery was greeting us today. Pretty full house again as several folks were back from vacations. Invocation requests included former member Jim Clendening suffering from cancer.

For his Personal Profile Kent Martin was all dressed in a suit and tie stating that this was his uniform for 26 years until *retiring* ten years ago from the financial business. The Xenia native traces his family back to arriving in Greene County in 1804. A XHS Class of 62 grad Kent went on to Ohio University and then to the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam thing. After 4 years came back to Xenia and stumbled on to a trainee job at Peoples Saving & Loan. Staying 25 years while picking up an MBA from Wright State along the way, he ended his career as Exec VP when company was bought by Citizens Federal. After nine months he decided it was no longer fun working for the *Big City guys*. He took a sabbatical that has lasted ten years. Kent now just enjoys life riding his Harley, volunteering for Rotary and Children's Medical Center and his new passion of being a Clown at Children's. Married to wife Ginny for almost 39 years they are very proud of their three grown children and five Grandchildren. A past club president 1992-93 Kent is also a Paul Harris Fellow.

John Meyer, song leader and now song writer sang a new Xenia Rotary theme song, to the Gaither's *God is Good* saying Xenia Rotary is good and we are cool.

District Governor Susan Bantz will visit the club on September 19. President Barbara says attendance is mandatory that day for all members!!! Attendance all most winner was the missing Craig Saunders with 52/50 to Kim Sease.

Sarge Kevin back stating Rotary used to be more formal when he was president and fined all not wearing a tie. (Woman were excluded for some reason.) Also when he was president he took the job seriously and disappointed new President Barbara missed her second meeting in office and will be missing next week. That's 2 of 4 meetings absent! Tried to fine her \$5 but could not collect from her. Thought John Meyer had too much time on his hand to write songs, suggested we all send some business to John and fined him. Happy Bucks from Bradd M. for article on company's 50th anniversary again.

Tom Sefton also dressed up in a tie was program chair and presented Amy McKinney, the Director of GreeneWorks a division of the Greene County Job and Family Services. She presented a power point presentation on GreeneWorks:



The mission of GreeneWorks is to serve as a resource for labor-market exchange and workforce development while providing individuals and families with services essential to strengthening the quality of life.

- GreeneWorks is the one-stop employment and training center in Greene County. This partnership is made up of 16 organizations housed in the same facility encouraging a 'no wrong door' approach to services.
- GreeneWorks provided over 16,000 individual services in 2005.
- GreeneWorks is a member of the Area 7 Workforce Policy Board - a group of employers, educators, and social service agencies which develop and maintain the policies based on labor market demand which govern the one-stop. Their website is www.area7workforce.org.
- Locally, GreeneWorks belongs to the 5 Star Job Centers of Southwest Ohio. This group represents five contiguous counties; Clinton, Fayette, Greene, Highland and Montgomery which function together as a workforce development system to meet the needs of local employers and job seekers. The 5 Star was recognized by the National Association of Counties for its Retention, Expansion, and Attraction Program for regional employers.
- The GreeneWorks Resource Center is the hub of the One-Stop. Sixteen state of the art computers are available to help with job search and other resources. From entry level jobs to VP's of companies, GreeneWorks has many services accessible in the one-stop center:

A few of the many services available in the one-stop center are:

For job-seekers and more:

- unemployment services
- private staffing services
- public assistance
- career counseling & self-development classes
- referral to drug addiction & mental health services
- referral to housing resources
- on site vocational training & GED classes

For employers:

- single point of contact for largest pool of job seekers
- pre-screening services
- labor-market information
- incentive programs
- specialized testing services
- Rapid Response services for lay-off situations

They are looking for employers to provide work experience site. Also need local business persons to serve on the advisory board and refers from job seekers. See the website for more information: www.greeneworks.com/ or call (937) 562-6565 or (937) 426-8334

Weekly Assignments – Please Mark your Calendars		
	August 1, 2006	September 5, 2006
Greeter	Jeff Buchanan	Gloria Roth
Invocation	Cliff Johnson	Kent Martin
Music	Rock McColaugh	Cliff Johnson
Sgt. At Arms	Brett Ellis	Jeff Brock
Minutes	Judy Baker	Tony Sculimbrene
Program	John Williamson	Barry Baker
Personal Profile	Dick Loveless	John Meyer
	August 8, 2006	September 12, 2006
Greeter	Randy Overbeck	Ron Roth
Invocation	Jim Kennedy	Brad Montgomery
Music	Rock McColaugh	Cliff Johnson
Sgt. At Arms	Brett Ellis	Jeff Brock
Minutes	Gretchen Wagner	Jeff Buchanan
Program	Barb Zajbel	Judy Baker
Personal Profile	Terri Mazur	Vern Moll
	August 15, 2006	September 19, 2006
Greeter	Andy Pope	Craig Saunders
Invocation	Barry Baker	Judy Baker
Music	Rock McColaugh	Cliff Johnson
Sgt. At Arms	Brett Ellis	Jeff Brock
Minutes	Kim Sease	Gregg Hebrank
Program	Tom Zajbel	Jack Bergin
Personal Profile	Mark McDonnell	Brad Montgomery
	August 22, 2006	September 26, 2006
Greeter	Todd Reichley	Barbara Schenck
Invocation	Terry Hall	Tony Sculimbrene
Music	Rock McColaugh	Cliff Johnson
Sgt. At Arms	Brett Ellis	Jeff Brock
Minutes	Steve Stanek	Todd Reichley
Program	Don Anderson	David Bradds
Personal Profile	Tony McIlvaine	Joe Mullins

Declaration for Rotarians in Business and Professions was adopted by the 1989 council on Legislation.

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 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 representation 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.

Wisdom from Maxine

- 1.. My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.
- 2.. I Work Hard Because Millions On Welfare Depend on Me!
- 3.. Some people are alive only because it's illegal to kill them.
- 4.. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
- 5.. Don't take life too seriously; No one gets out alive.
- 6.. You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.
- 7.. I'm not a complete idiot -
Some parts are just missing.
- 8.. Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
- 9.. God must love stupid people; He made so many.
- 10.. The gene pool could use a little chlorine.
- 11.. Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.
- 12.. Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
- 13.. Being "over the hill" is much better than being under it!
- 14.. Wrinkled Was Not One of the Things I Wanted to Be When I Grew up.
- 15.. Procrastinate Now!
- 16.. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
- 17.. Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!
- 18.. The trouble with life is there's no background music.
- 19.. The original point and click tool was a Smith and Wesson. !!!!!!!!!!!

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