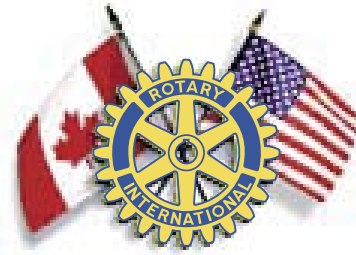




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# Super District 6400 Digest

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

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### May

- 6-9 District Conference  
Grand Hotel, Mackinaw Island
- 17 Plymouth Rotary Golf Classic  
The Golden Fox Golf Club  
Plymouth, Michigan
- 22 Cottam Rotary Annual Golf  
Tournament  
Erie Shores Golf Club  
Leamington, Ontario
- 22 White Elephant Sale  
Huron Township Rotary Club
- 22 Redford Rotary Charity  
Golf Outing
- 23-26 RI Convention  
Osaka, Jippon

### June

- 3 Romulus Rotary Club  
Annual Golf Outing
- 4 Rotary Club of Detroit  
Presidents Ball  
Detroit Athletic Club  
Detroit, Michigan
- 7 Grosse Ile Second Annual  
Golf Outing for Polio  
Raisin River Golf Club  
Monroe, Michigan
- 29 Meet the Governor  
Harrow Rotary Club

### July

- 14 10th Annual Golf Outing  
Lakes of Taylor Golf Club

### November

- 4 Redford Rotary \$5,000  
Drawing

## Dear Rotary Friends,

As this Rotary year winds down, I look forward to seeing many of you at District Conference May 6-9, on Mackinac Island. This is the District's third trip to Mackinac! We chose this wonderful location because of the fine hospitality, excellent cuisine and the outstanding efficiency of its staff. Thank you all for your participation and support in making this a well-attended event.

We will have more than one hundred first time attendees at this District Conference and it will be especially gratifying to see new Rotarians grasp the true breadth and scope of this wonderful organization which we serve. I don't know of a better way to celebrate Rotary fellowship, especially when we all come together united by our motto of Service Above Self and share our successes and dreams. I am also confident the positive energy generated from our Conference will invigorate us all to continue to *Lend A Hand* to those in need, now, and as we approach the Centennial Year of our Great Organization.

I extend many good wishes to the mothers of our District for a Happy Mothers Day. Let's take the time to remember all of our mothers for all the good they provide for families.

District Assembly was very well attended this year. A tremendous amount

of information was exchanged. Thank you for all of your support. One presentation I would like to share is Every Rotarian Every Year. The annual Programs Fund of the Rotary Foundation is the cornerstone on which all of the foundation's life-changing programs are built. The ultimate goal of the fund is to realize an unrestricted gift of \$100 US or more from Every Rotarian, Every Year. Your gift will make someone's life a little better or it may even save a life.

Rotary International's 2003-2004 International Convention is scheduled for May 23-26, 2004 in Osaka, Japan. For those not attending, feel free to visit [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) for exclusive daily coverage from the convention floor.

As I prepare for the final months of my tenure as your esteemed District Governor, I would like to express my gratitude for the generosity, love and kindness you have expressed to my family and me. I am humbled by your involvement in making the world a better place for all humankind, especially your club projects which reach out to help the illiterate, the homeless and the hungry. Thank you for *Lending A Hand*.



— roberto

## Good Thoughts — Rotarian Del Sisler

Assistant Governor Del Sisler was recently diagnosed with an extremely rare type of sinus cancer that has impacted most of his sinuses on the right side of his skull.

He has undergone surgery at U. of M. This was a delicate operation supported by three surgery teams (Neurosurgery, head and neck and skin

graft). The cancer was detected before it invaded his brain area. The prognosis is very good. Del has an extremely positive attitude since "they caught this in time...the cancer has not spread to the left side of the skull."

He is now at home recovering. Your prayers of support will be greatly received!

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# Spring has Sprung – Clean the Highway has Begun!

Dearborn Rotary Club members and Dearborn High School Interact Club members teamed up to clean Telegraph between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue on Saturday morning April 24. Twenty-four full bags of roadside trash and automobile parts were collected by the 19 members participating. Shar Douglas chairs this Rotary initiative – the 15th consecutive year for the Club.

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# Centinniel ¢ents

The Wayne Rotary Club and the Wayne Rotary Foundation in conjunction with the City of Wayne Parks and Recreation Department have agreed to fund and construct a \$30,000 playscape to celebrate 100 Years of Rotary. Club members and neighborhood residents will be constructing the playscape.

# Photo Caption Contest



We are looking for the funniest captions for the “White Castle / Rotary” photo and will highlight the top five in next month’s District Digest. The winner will receive a sack of White Castle burgers. Send your entry to: TOWAR PRODUCTIONS, 15324 Mack Avenue, Suite 100, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 or kim@towar.com.



Grosse Pointe Rotary held it's bi-annual auction on April 24. A huge success, more than 175 people in attendance, the event funds the GP Rotary foundation for 2 years. A portion of the proceeds raised from this year's auction will go to the Police Athletic League and the Grosse Pointe Family Center.



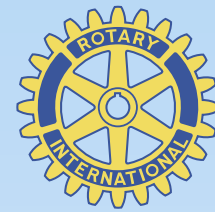
Paul W. and Myreya Smith were the extremely generous honorary chairs for the auction! Pictured here with youth exchange students, Felix (Germany) and Clara (Sweden).

## Plymouth Happenings...



On April 8 the Plymouth Noon Club supplied the food and served 183 hungry people at St Leo's Soup Kitchen in Detroit. On May 1, we will join with the Canton Rotary and begin our Centennial Project, a landscape design at Mettall Airport featuring the Rotary Wheel.

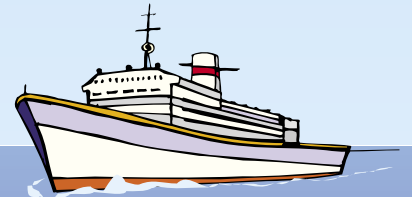
Thursday May 13 we distribute 1800 seedling trees to 15 elementary schools in the area, which we've done for several years. On Saturday, May 15, we will go to median on Main St in downtown Plymouth and pull out all the tulips that we planted last November and replace them with annuals as we've done for several years. Finally on Monday May 17 will have our annual Plymouth Rotary Golf Classic at the Golden Fox Golf Club, just west of Plymouth.



*District 6400  
Announcing  
the Second Annual  
International Rotary  
Fellowship Flotilla*

*Saturday  
August 7, 2003*

*Departing  
Grosse Ile Yacht Club  
5:00 p.m. return 9:00 p.m.  
Canadian Rotarians  
will be picked up at  
Duffy's between  
5:30 p.m. -6:00 p.m.*



*Please Reply to Sean Frese,  
Grosse Ile Rotary  
with number of members and  
guests per club  
sfrese@twin-bridges.com or  
(734) 675-7769  
cost will be \$25.00 per person  
Club Checks are Preferred  
Any profits will support Oaxaca  
hearing aid project  
Steak, Chicken, Corn,  
Salad are provided  
Each club, please b.y.o.b.  
(this means beverages –  
boats optional)*



## Taylor Rotary Celebrates Rotary's 100th year

The Taylor Rotary Club has obtained the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory replica for placement in Heritage Park.

Rotarians obtained the replica from DTE Energy as a service project in recognition of the 100th anniversary of Rotary International, set for 2005.

The replica of the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory was built in 1999 for the Detroit International Bloomfest, Michigan's largest flower show. The replica was on display on Belle Isle for two years, after which it was put in storage.

The replica conservatory cost \$250,000 to build. It is more than 90 feet long, 24 feet wide and 28 feet tall at its highest peak. The conservatory is constructed of aluminum and weighs three tons. It is a one-third scale model of the original conservatory on Belle Isle.

After the conservatory is placed in Heritage Park, a patio, walking path and annual and perennial flowers will be added. Local landscaping companies and gardeners have already offered to donate time and services to the project.

The conservatory was delivered to a storage space that was donated by Joe Persicone, owner of Persicone Construction Company Inc., and the transporting was done by G & J Cartage, owned by Taylor Rotarian Jim Nadeau. Rotarian Larry Wright coordinated the transportation, delivery and storage space for the conservatory.

"We are looking to create a floral and landscaping display within Heritage Park that people can enjoy for its beauty and learn ideas for their own yards and gardens," said 23rd project coordinator, District Court Judge Geno Salomone. "We want to create a first-class piece of living art with the conservatory. It's going to take a lot of work, but with help from the community it will happen."

Judge Salomone said the move to Heritage Park may take place as early as August.

## Super District 6400 Attendance & Membership Report – J.R. Mueller

### March, 2004

Rotary Club of...	ATTENDANCE		MEMBERSHIP		
	Month %	Year %	Start	Current	Change
Adrian	79	66	87	79	-8
Adrian A.M.	90	88	15	16	+1
Allen Park	69	65	34	34	-
Amherstburg	99	89	15	15	-
Bedford Township	70	39	7	8	+1
Belle River	40	45	17	18	+1
Belleville	82	86	23	23	-
Blissfield	83	85	36	37	+1
Canton	0	63	18	18	-
Carleton	56	72	17	19	+2
Clinton	80	69	22	23	+1
Cottam	88	85	7	8	+1
Dearborn	78	71	108	103	-5
Dearborn Heights	67	61	26	26	-
Detroit	39	36	165	156	-9
Detroit A. M.	42	48	16	19	+3
Essex	78	72	11	10	-1
Fairlane Sunrise	91	91	12	13	+1
Flat Rock	78	64	17	15	-2
Garden City	52	38	35	36	+1
Gibraltar	0	55	19	23	+4
Grosse Ile	0	8	43	38	-5
Grosse Pointe	61	56	124	115	-9
Grosse Pointe Sunrise	59	45	34	31	-3
Hamtramck	41	45	21	17	-4
Harper Woods	67	24	12	15	+3
Harrow	69	76	29	28	-1
Huron Township	65	58	14	18	+4
Leamington	56	57	21	22	+1
Lincoln Park	62	60	18	15	-3
Livonia	55	68	71	65	-6
Livonia A. M.	0	27	7	7	-
Monroe	74	63	74	70	-4
Northville	65	67	61	59	-2
Plymouth	66	54	115	115	-
Plymouth A.M.	65	66	49	52	+3
Redford	60	44	14	13	-1
Rockwood	0	0	13	11	-2
Romulus	0	30	32	32	-
Southgate	52	42	18	22	+4
Taylor	65	66	45	43	-2
Tecumseh	28	62	20	26	+6
Trenton	82	74	67	66	-1
Wayne	79	67	40	37	-3
Westland	55	24	22	30	+8
Windsor (1918)	52	49	155	152	-3
Windsor - Roseland	60	65	65	66	+1
Windsor - St. Clair	73	62	55	49	-6
Woodhaven	70	65	14	13	-1
Wyandotte	71	61	27	29	+2
			1987	1955	-32

The clubs with no attendance% did not turn in a report.