



Flint Rotary World

Charter No. 220 – **Rotary Club of Flint, Michigan** – Organized April 7, 1916
Rotary theme for 2008-2009 – “Make Dreams Real”

Dong Kurn Lee, Seoul, Korea, President, Rotary International, - Carl "Kelly" Fotheringham, Mildmay, Canada Governor, District 6330

**Coming up this week: Flint Rotary’s Own Michael J. Thorp
“A Taste of Huckleberry Radio”**

Last Friday’s speaker was: JoAnne Shaw, President & CEO of The Coffee

Beanery . Located in Flushing, The Coffee Beanery roasts over a million pounds of beans per year, and distributes them to its stores and franchises located in 20 states and six foreign countries!

JoAnne took over Office Coffee Services from her husband Julius, in 1968. (Both attended Davison High School, and were married 7 days after graduating in 1961.) By 1976 they had over 200 customers on their route. JoAnne knew that people loved the smell of coffee, but not the taste. (We were the “Pepsi Generation” back then!). They leased every piece of equipment they needed, and opened their first coffee store in the Fairlane Mall in Dearborn in 1976, and in 1985 they sold their first franchise.

JoAnne knows all about franchising. In fact, she is the only woman to ever serve as President of the International Franchise Association. She explained franchising as creating a brand and a process that can be duplicated over and over. Of particular note, The Coffee Beanery has a franchise on the U.S. military base in Qatar, and is making headway in airports across the world. JoAnne also pointed out that franchise owners are typically local business people who support their communities in many ways.

Highs in the business have included watching the brand grow, and getting to see it promoted on several major Hollywood films, including the Oscar-winning *Million Dollar Baby*. Some “lows” they have weathered include losing space to competitors, experiencing a fire at the roasting plant, and living through a 100-year flood! JoAnne pointed out that any one of these set-backs could have stopped them, but she believes you never lose until you quit.

The Coffee Beanery – The Coffee Company Who Cares – also has a successful fundraising program that has so far raised over \$500,000 for charities – most in this area. JoAnne welcomed visitors to tour the plant, and reminded everyone that Coffee Beanery products are available on-line at www.coffeebeanery.com. Type “ROTARY” in the coupon box when ordering and shipping is free!

VITAL STATISTICS

From the June 12 meeting:

Bob Sibilsky served as the greeter, with introduction of guests and visiting Rotarians provided by **David Tucker**. **Jim Tomblinson** conducted the 50/50 Raffle. **Dave Smith** led us in song and **Jim Kennedy** offered the inspirational message. Set up by **Don Barrow** and take-down by Bob Throop. As always, thanks to pianist **Paul Vanston** and **Dick Cordell**.

Upcoming Programs

June 19 – Michael Thorp – Huckleberry Radio Show

June 26 – Speaker Pending

July 3 – July 4th Holiday, no meeting

Officers and Directors

President.....	Roxanne Caine
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Vice President	James Franklin
Vice President	Jerry Johnson
Director	Joe Fioroni
Director	Don Rockwell
Director	Tiffany Flynn
Director	Joy Martinbianco
Past President	Michael Dach
Secretary/Treasurer	Richard Cordell
Club Administrator	Amy van der Putte

Other Rotary News:

New Member proposals SECOND READING – The following people have been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Flint: **Jonathon E. Hohn**, Portfolio Manager at Citizens Bank, proposed by Doug Speck, and **Rob Bennett**, Vice President and General Manager of Bennett Telephone Answering Service, proposed by Kim Eagerer. Any objections should be sent to the Secretary in writing.

Health & Welfare – Please remember Amy Krug as she mourns the passing of her beloved grandmother.

Third Annual SASSY (Service Above Self) Award Winner: Woody Skaff Woody was unanimously selected by the Committee for this recognition because of his many years of service to the community and his 70 years of work with First Presbyterian Church. Nominated by Don Rockwell, Woody's service includes: Past President of YWCA and Big Brothers-Big Sisters (Woody was an original Flint Big Brother!). He has been a member of the Downtown Optimists, worked on many United Way campaigns, and brought the Young Life Program to Flint. Woody's selfless character has influenced hundreds of folks who have worked at Skaff Furniture and Carpet. In accepting the award, Woody stated, "When you live a long life, you get a chance to do a lot of things . . . and I love what I'm doing!" He donated his prize of \$250 to First Presbyterian Church.

Where to make up:

Monday

Saginaw Valley 12:15 p.m.
Horizons Conference Center

Tuesday

Clio 7:15 a.m.
Roger's Lodge

Durand Noon
Papa Joe's Restaurant

Grand Blanc 7:15 a.m.
Sophie's Kitchen

Fenton 7:15 a.m.
Spring Meadows Country Club

Genesee Valley (Flint) 12:15
Old Country Buffet, Miller Road

Lapeer 12:10 p.m.
Lapeer County Center Bldg.

Columbiaville 6:30 p.m.
Rotary Building

Wednesday

Greater Flint Sunrise 7 a.m.
Sarvis Center

Owosso 12:15 p.m.
Owosso Memorial Hosp. Annex

Saginaw Noon
Saginaw Club

Davisburg 7 p.m.
Don Hart Community Center

Thursday

Flushing 7 a.m.
Sorrento's Restaurant

Burton 12:10 p.m.
Brookwood Golf Club

Frankenmuth 12:10 p.m.
Zehnder's Restaurant

Corunna Noon
United Methodist Church

Make-ups:

May 9	Kenneth Halter	Grand Blanc – Pancake Breakfast
May 12	Michael Kelly	Clio
May 28	Paul Wenstrom	Grand Blanc
June 2	Paul Wenstrom	Grand Blanc
June 6	Donald Barrow	Food Bank
June 6	Kenneth Halter	Food Bank
June 9	Jim Angle	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Richard Cordell	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Michael Dach	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Dayne Davis	Genesee Valley
June 9	Gene Dennis	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Mark Eneix	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Joe Fioroni	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Tiffany Flynn	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Rob Jewell	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Jerry Knoodle	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Joy Martinbianco	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Hanumanthaiya Marur	Lapeer
June 9	Patrick McAvinchey	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Jay Nelson	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Vincent O'Keefe	Genesee Valley
June 9	Julianne Princinsky	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Donald Rockwell	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	David Smith	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Paul Wenstrom	Past President's Breakfast
June 9	Robert Wright	Lapeer
June 9	Lindsay Younger	Past President's Breakfast
June 10	Michael Lindemann	Flint Sunrise

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