

DAWN



ROTARY CLUB
of
MERCER ISLAND

Serving our community since 1963



July Transition Month



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Perfect Attendance Anniversary through May 2008



Bruce McCauley, 2nd.. 2 years
Chuck Wischman, 6.... 11
Sam Sullivan, 15..... 1
Trina Westerlund, 22..... 1
Steve Webert, 30..... 2

July Rotary Anniversaries



Reid Morgan, 11th..... 42
Ed Morgan, 11..... 31
Denny Morrison, 11..... 29
Dick Martin, 11..... 13
Gay Brook, 11..... 3
Duane Matthews, 12..... 42
Bob Williams, 20..... 31
Ray Brook, 28..... 10

July Birthdays

July 29, 2008 Scribe: John Frazier

Opening: President **Olson**

Invocation: **Tom Watkins**

Pledge: President **Bob**

Song: A booming rendition of GBA, led by **Jim Marich**.

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians: **Mak Abulhosn**

Rotarians with Guests:

Husband, Bob, by **Nancy Gould-Hilliard**

Son, Grant, by **Tom Callahan**

Stan Johnson, by **Bruce Peters**

Granddaughter, Melissa, by **Jim Aitken**

Daughter Kim, by **Chuck Wischman**

Kevin and Diane Osborne, and Joel Black, by **Ray Brook**

Jana Shaw, by **Elizabeth Baska**

Helen Taylor, by **Helen Martin**

Family of Rotary, by **Mary Kraft**

Winnie Mann-Hill - On a 6 month leave, cruise ship tripping.

Fred May - Moved to Covenant Shores, and is up and around, with a walker.

Reed Morgan - Doing just fine.

Merle Dowd - Say's he, "just fair".

John Edmonds - Moved to Timber Ridge.

Tom Ulie - Is back in action, and attended the meeting.

Bruce Peters announced **Denny Morrison** is living with leukemia and moving to hospice care. More details regarding visitations to follow.

Announcements

Rick Davis had this to say:

"I am running for Governor of Red Sox Nation in the State of Washington! Please help me by taking 5 minutes to endorse me on line. Endorsements will make up 25% of the qualifying process!

If you are not a Red Sox Fan, I hope that you're a fan of mine enough to take a few moments to help me out.

Part of my platform is to engage The Red Sox Nation in sponsoring Little League Baseball teams across the US, in concert with Boys & Girls Clubs, one of Major League Baseball's existing beneficiaries. The Boys & Girls Club run my son's league and I

Feel free to contact me for more in-depth campaign materials. Thank you for your support and participation!

Here is a link to the web site. Additional information is also attached as a word doc and pasted below my signature line.

http://boston.redsox.mlb.com/bos/fan_forum/rsn_gov_support_form.jsp "

Chuck Hansing, on behalf of the Swedish Summer Run, thanked all those who volunteered. President **Bob** reminded us of the famous MIRC Salmon Bake, at the Wischman's, August 9. US Navy Blue Angels I-90 bridge closures: Th (9:45-12 & 1:15-2:30), Fri (1:30-2:30), Sat (1:30-2:30) and Sun (1:30-2:30).

President **Bob** announced the acknowledgement of those wrongfully convicted of a lynching, back in 1944, at Fort Lawton. Our Club financially supported the event.

Kevin Osborne, a current Junior at Seattle U., and 2-time recipient of a MIRC Vocational Scholarship, thanked us for both the financial help and the confidence he gained knowing he had our support. He maintains a 3.96 GPA, majoring in Environmental Studies and Minorng in Chinese.

Hillary Hamilton, International Club Rotarian, made a pitch for the Rotary Academy. 8 MIRC member's have completed the course, so far. Registration forms can be found on the District Web-site, at rotary5030.org. The deadline for registration is September 1, and the first (only) meeting is September 10, at the CCMV. See **Melinda Booth** for more information.



Jim Hunt.....	3rd
Jim Trombold.....	4
Brian Jennison.....	6
John Naye.....	7
Dan Madigan.....	11
Pat Turner.....	16
Bob Olson.....	18
Gary Plano.....	22
Ralph Coffey.....	2
Ed Morgan.....	28
Bob Olsen.....	28
Clint Prescott.....	29

Rotary Foundation July 1st Newsletter



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Upcoming Programs

August 5

Boeing-New Generation Planes,
Drew Magill
Marketing Director

August 12

Eastside Performing Arts
John Haynes, PACE CEO

August 19

Outsourcing Work
Jay Lenon CEO
csgopenline.com

Event Calendar

July 27

Swedish Hospital Summer Run
Chuck Hansing for details

Aug 9

Salmon Barbeque
at Chuck Wischman's



[click here for directions](#)

Sept 1

Rotary Academy Registration Deadline

Sept 10

*Rotary Academy Orientation Meeting at
MICC
7:00-8:30 PM*

Fables, Foibles & Fines

Melinda Booth advised us Catherine Rodriguez has returned to Chile safely.

Sgt. at Arms **Buckingham** fined all MI Rotarians who did not report to duty for Rotary First Harvest. She also recognized July birthdays.

Duane Matthews' daughter was named in the top 100 physicians in the Puget Sound Region, for the 6th time.

General **Townsend** fined **Gustav Raam** for his picture in the Seattle Times. The photographer caught **Gus's** best side, his back side.

Gay Brook announced her August 5 5th wedding anniversary with **Ray**. It seems like just yesterday, to **Ray**.

Bruce Peters recognized **Ralph Coffey's** 92nd birthday. **Ralph** retorted he was appreciative that the young folks do see 'value' in the old folks. As **Chuck Wischman** is fond of saying, "I have learned a lot more from 85 year olds than from 25 year olds".

Nancy Gould-Hilliard recognized the Club for making the Seattle Times when Dino Rossi came to speak to us.

Program

Bonnie Weyhing introduced fellow Michigonian Cecile Bagrow, from Fisher House. The Fisher House Foundation provides shelter and support to the US Military and Veterans' families in time of medical crisis. Established in 1990, 39 facilities are in operation today.

Each facility is 16,000 square feet and has 21 suites. They have provided over 2,500,000 days of lodging to over 120,000 service men and women. This at a cost of over \$100,000,000, all donations.

The average length of stay is 16 days, while the average length of stay for combat injuries is 60-90 days. They operate worldwide, with an average occupancy rate of 95%. Once built, administration is turned over the Veterans Administration. A tour of the 40th facility will take place on September 1, at 1:00 PM, at 1650 S. Columbian Way, Seattle, WA.

Date to Remember: August 9 Salmon Bake, 4:00 PM, at the Wischman's

On Deck: New Generation of Boeing Aircraft

Quote of the Day: From Dolly Parton fan, Bruce McAuley, "If you want to see the rainbow, you have to put up with the rain."

Clint's Corner:

Ever wonder what that "RAG" is after MI Rotarians names in our Directory. That stands for Rotary Academy Graduate. Rotary Academy is a District correspondence course that teaches all about Rotary. One of our graduates, past President John Matthews gave three reasons why you should take this course:

"1) You get to learn things about Rotary that you never knew before 2) It helps to prepare you for leadership roles in and outside of your club 3) It's fun to be meeting with other Rotarians and for once to know the answers or where to find them."

It's easy to sign up just go to the Rotary District 5030 website www.rotary5030.org

Click the District Calendar or Leadership & Resources to find the Rotary Academy webpage to get registration form and curriculum details. Total time commitment about 16 hours : 1/1/2 hr Meeting , plus 7 monthly correspondence topics @ 2 hrs each scheduled at your own convenience. Register by Sept 1st & join Melinda & Paul Booth along with many other Rotarians on Sept 10th 7 -8:30 pm for the Orientation Meeting at our very own MI Community Center.

Member Profile (Denny Morrison)

In Memoriam



Denny Morrison was born and raised in San Diego, CA. After two years at San Diego State, he transferred to UC Berkley and graduated in 1956 with a BS degree in Business (Real Estate and Insurance). In mid career ('68), he returned to get an MBA. He then moved to Seattle and joined Washington Mutual Savings Bank. After receiving his BS, he served 3-1/2 years in the Navy as a Supply Officer. He continued in the reserves, completing 30 years and rising to the rank of Captain. He spent 29 years in Financial Services with 4 banks and then 17 years as CFO and Executive VP of the Puget Sound Blood Center. He retired in September of 2005. Denny and Mary

have been married 47 years, having met when he was in the Navy. They have 2 sons and a daughter. Denny's favorite Club Service is Islander of the Month. He also enjoys working on Grants and Awards. He has volunteered at Overlake Hospital, on the Blood Drives and occasional projects for the MI Presbyterian Church. Hobbies include household and yard work, some travel, exercise and fitness and light reading. His current book is a series of detective stories by John Lescroart. In his classification talk he left out his overnight stay at the top of Mt. Fuji after climbing it. Regarding makeups, he enjoys attending board meetings of the club.

Publishing items in the Dawn

If you have information, articles, photos, etc., for publication in the Dawn, please send them to DawnEditor@MIRotary.org.