

G O D M O R N I N G !

Thursday, June 7, 2012

"Culture is Us!"



Michael J. Deeb
Civil War Historian

The Abraham Lincoln Assassination

Michael J. Deeb earned his Liberal Arts undergraduate degree from Aquinas College and a master's degree from Michigan State University. His doctorate was earned from Wayne State University in management studies.

He spent twenty years in teaching & administration at the high school, college and university levels. Following the teaching career he was hired as an administrative Assistant to the Chairman of the newly created Department of Interdisciplinary Education at Wayne State University. During his four years in this position he was responsible for the design and implementation of the newly consolidated teacher training departments. This task included the creation of a secretarial pool and instructional modules for the professorial staff to use in teacher training.

Following the awarding of his doctorate, he was hired by Utica Schools to fill the new position of Assistant Superintendent of Instruction. He supervised all administrators for elementary and secondary education serving 25,000 students. During his stay, he changed the report card system, introduced new textbooks for all elementary subjects and created a scope & sequence curriculum for the elementary and middle schools.

After his work in education, he owned and operated an accounting firm. His work also included the design and sale of employee benefit programs for group life, dental, disability, medical ins. coverage and retirement savings plans such as 401ks, and tax deferred payroll deduction programs. He also implemented sec. 125 payroll plans for his client business owners and worked with them on business continuation planning and personal retirement planning

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The "Wizdumb" Table

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

Attendance Last Meeting

Members Present:	84	80%		
Makeups:	2			
Visiting Rotarians:	3		Winter Pigeons:	0
Guests of Members:	6		Student Guests:	0

Did you make up? • Attendance for May 72.93%

Guest Speaker

Next Week: Michael J. Deeb, the Abraham Lincoln Assassination

Last Meeting: Stephanie Jepsen, Director of Development & Mark Hindley, Advisory Board, Hope for Haiti

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member	Birthday	Age
Lou Foley	June 11	43
Beth Krier	June 10	54

Member	Wedding Anv.	Years
Jim Blewett	June 10	45
Beth Krier	June 07	9

Member	Club Anv.	Years
Hugh Hayes	June 7	5
Kent McRae	June 7	5

Distinguished Rotarians

Rotarian	Honored
Doug Baird	Sept. 30, 2010
Heather Milner	Apr. 23, 2009
Lois Kluberdanz	Jun. 5, 2008

Rotarian of the Year 2012

Alex Garland, Jr.



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Rotary International President - Monthly Message

June is a time to reflect on the Rotary year that has nearly passed, and to look forward to the one that is soon to begin. We look back at what we have accomplished and measure our progress toward the goals we have set for ourselves. In Rotary, we may pause to reflect, but never to rest on our laurels – for as much as we have achieved, we are always aware of how much there is still to do.



Rotary International President
Kalyan Banerjee

The 2011-12 year has been a time of significant progress. Binota and I have been fortunate to have visited different parts of the Rotary world and seen the many ways that Rotarians everywhere Reach Within to Embrace Humanity. In South Sudan, we met with Rotarians who are determined to make a difference despite tremendous challenges. The humanitarian problems in that nation are enormous, and begin with the most basic: At the moment, South Sudan lacks a single functional hospital. I am confident that in the coming year, Rotarians around the world will reach out to our newest Rotary country with the support and help it will need.

In Uganda, I was delighted and heartened to discover how many government ministers and officials are Rotarians, and to see them bringing the ideals of Rotary to life in their service. In Kathmandu, I was overwhelmed as countries of South Asia – Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka – came together to vow to make the region 100 percent literate by 2017.

In Fiji and Vanuatu in the South Pacific, I was moved by Rotarians who are helping to lower child mortality and provide safe housing. In Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, I was delighted by the statement of Sheikh Nahayan Mubarak Al-Nahayan, minister of higher education and scientific research: "We are looking forward eagerly to Rotary starting its first club here." And in Valdivia, Chile, as close to the South Pole as

(con't at right)

2012 Rotary Photo Contest Winners



First place. Shot outside Kisumu, Kenya. Says Benson, "This photograph, of a little child trying to get fresh water for the family, is unpretentious and poignant and tells an important story. You know exactly the situation and are moved by the look of expectation in her eyes, as if she's asking for help. It is an image you stop and look at, and that is the main criterion for good photography."

Honorable mention. Shot in Entebbe, Uganda. Says Benson, "The maze of bright blue umbrellas surrounds the graceful fountain in the center of the photograph. It's almost as if it were a frame from an old Busby Berkeley film in which the dancers move in unison while the camera shoots them from above."



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Binota and I have been, we were moved by Rotarians' work with children who have mental disabilities.

But most of all, we found our hearts warmed by the welcome we received all over the world – and by the sight of so many Rotarians living the Rotary ideal, and choosing to Reach Within to Embrace Humanity. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president, and look forward to working together to build Peace Through Service.