

Minutes of the C.O.R.E. Meeting – May 18, 2006

Attendance : There was no attendance taken at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM. Micheline Sommers, our hostess, chaired the meeting since Katrina McGuire was absent.

Jim Kennedy introduced the new idea of C.O.R.E. on the Internet. A new Rotary member set up a “web site” for us so we can update our information about long range and short range planning. The site will also include Meeting Minutes, Programs, and a list of organizations. The URL is:

<http://www.onlineresearchers.net/core2/coreintro.htm>

This will facilitate sending information about events to newspapers. C.O.R.E. members can send in their own information and keep the calendars updated. Submission forms are on the Internet and can be filled out and sent in by each organization.

Members shared their events. Jaycees are having a clean-up day at the Jaycee Field on Woodward in Rochester. The public is invited to a kickball game at the park at noon on Saturday, May 20. All are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch.

Friends of the Library are having a used book sale from today through Sunday. This is a fundraiser open to the public. First Congregational Church is having a concert of cabaret music on Friday, May 19th. The cost is \$10.00. Rochester Library is having their summer reading event. OPC is having their Signature Event at the Royal Park. There will be dinner, dancing auctions and surprise guests. It is their major fundraiser.

Micheline represents Oakland Family Services specializing in Geriatrics. They are having many programs and they do counseling for depression, anxiety, etc. They are licensed daycare and preschool providers. They have a home program to teach English to small children before they enter school. They also have a program for pre-high school youngsters to help them in these transition years.

Our speaker was unable to make it this day so the group just talked about how their organizations supported multi-culturalism. The Rochester Library has an English as a Second Language program to help people trying to learn English. This is an issue all communities must face. Outreach number for the library - 248 650-7150. all types of special needs

Rotary sponsors a student exchange program for students but also for professional people to show them American life. The Lions Club also has a program to assist people from other countries learn about our society.

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Many organizations are developing programs and educational workshops on multi-culturalism.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.

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