

## Taylor Rotary Club History

1946

Talent Contest started with a goal to raise \$5000 is set up as a Student Loan Fund.

Crippled Children Fund to send crippled children to fresh air camps.

Township Parks Commission \$350 was raised and donated.

Christmas Party given for Crippled Children.

Easter Seal Drive netted \$725 for Crippled Children

Shrine Circus Party crippled children were taken.

Bank & Post Office program to establish both in township

Easter Seal Drive second drive again netted \$725

Clothing Drive for Czechoslovakia old clothes were gathered dry-cleaned packed and shipped.

The History of Taylor Township a contest was sponsored for the purpose of creating an interest in our Township. Winners R, /Wilson \$35 R. Sey \$15 H. Waters \$10 A. Siebert \$5

Rotary Safety Program Rotary members in conjunction with the Twy Officials Police Dept. Fire Dept. and school authorities played hosts to approx. 500

children from the township. Scotch - lite reflector strips were attached to bicycles, that the children had brought, on conspicuous places to reflect light in the dark making bicycle riding safe in the evenings.

Easter Seal Drive netted \$300 and was turned over to the Wayne Out County Chapter. We also agreed to furnish pieces of equipment that was needed, such as wheelchairs, beds, etc.

Accordion Purchase a young Norwegian, Arnsterin Ho Hanson had purchased the accordion while visiting here. Before taken possession of the instrument he was ordered back to Norway. We paid him the balance due which amounted to \$485 and he was able to return with his instrument.

Junior Achievement Trip two boys were sent for \$150

Talent Contest

Wrestling Match raised funds for the general account

Hard Ball Team was sponsored Youth for Understanding \$30 was contributed to the Dist.

Conference for the program.

Fresh Air Camp appropriation of \$150 to send the children

Easter Seal Drive netted \$371

Annual Christmas Party was again held for crippled children.  
Bus Shelters four were constructed and placed within the township  
Easter Seal Drive netted \$419  
Fresh Air Camp \$150 again was spent to send children to camp  
Easter Seal Drive netted \$860  
Safety Slogan Contest a safety program was started. Children in the schools entered and winners received prizes and winning slogans were painted on signs a posted in several places in the township  
Doll House Raffle fund raisin project \$587 was netted  
Lapeer Training School program to help mentally handicapped children  
Youth for Understanding \$75 was contributed  
Easter Seal Drive netted \$566  
Talent Contest second phase new goal \$5000 to make a total of \$10000 for Student Loan Fund. Proceeds from this first contest to be divided, one half was used to purchase bleacher for the Taylor Center High School Athletic Field, the other half to go to the Student Loan Fund.  
Rotary Wheel was constructed  
Shoes to Korea at that particular Christmas Season the member of

the club by personal contribution raised \$80 and sent this amount to President Syngman Rhee with instructions to buy shoes for the children. His personal letter was received, stating that 278 pairs of shoes were purchased and distributed to orphan children, together with pictures showing the children.  
White Elephant Sale project to raise funds.  
Flood Relief a check for \$100 was sent to the Rotary Club of Putman, Conn. for flood relief of that city.  
Trophies to be displayed at the Taylor Center High School, and given to the outstanding girl and boy in citizenship and sport ability  
Junior Rotarians seniors to attend our regular meetings for 1 month and a then end of that time give their personal opinions of the visits.  
Crippled Children Taylor Rotary contribution \$1000 towards the construction of their new building.  
Wolverine State Taylor Rotary sponsors a boy and girl to their respective Wolverine States.  
Telephone special telephone installed so that student confined to he bed is able to be in contact

with class at high school during school periods.

Kidney Machine donated to Garden City Osteopathic Hospital to help sustain life for some 400 persons in Michigan each year. Taylor Police check for \$1500 presented to Mayor Richard J. Trolley. the funds went toward the purchase of equipment for the police department's new crime and photographic laboratory.

May 1955 Rotary Wheel was installed at Col. House - courtesy of Dale Iverson & President Weaver

Nov. 1955 Shoes for Korea (etc) and Putman R. C. flood relief fund

July 1959 Project Landau & Traylor - proceeds to Student Loan fund

Jan 1964 Potatoe Pancake Fry - St. John's Lutheran Church

Aug 1968 Artificial Kidney Mach (etc)

Dec. 1969 \$1500 to Taylor Police crime lab

April 1976 In God We Trust - Choir members from 3 high schools we made a recording and sold them. Dan Greer conductor.

Jan. 1976 Funded Park Pavillion for city community center.

Dec. 1978 Taylor Xmas Party for handicapped children at Johnson Elementary School.

19051-52 Inter Club meeting combined with ladies night. Plymouth, Flat Rock, Romulus, Allen Park, Westwood, Rockwood, Dearborn, Lincoln Park and Garden City.

Construction of four bus shelters. 1952-53 Donated \$75 to Rotary Youth for Understanding Program. Started making loans from our Student Loan Fund.

1953-1954 Safety Contest including a large billboard sign at the intersection of Goddard and Telegraph Roads.

**BANK & POST OFFICE:** The Rotary Club indirectly helped establish both of these services in the township.

**BUS SHELTERS:** Four bus shelters was constructed and placed Within the township.

**SAFETY SLOGAN CONTEST:** A safety program was started. Children in schools entered and winners received prizes. Winning slogan

were painted on signs and posted in several places in the township.

**TALENT CONTEST:** The ~ contest was started with a goal to raise \$5,000.00 to be set up as a Student Loan Fund. In the second phase a new goal of \$5,000.00 to make a total of \$10,000.00 was set up for a Student Loan Fund. Proceeds from first contest will be divided. One half was used to purchase bleacher seats for the Taylor Center High School Athletic Field, and the other half to the Student Loan Fund.

**ROTARY WHEEL:** Through the efforts of some of the members giant Rotary Wheel sign was constructed and erected in front of the Colonial House.

**SHOES TO KOREA:** At that particular Christmas Season, the members of the club by personal contribution raised \$80.00 and sent this amount to President Syngman Rhee with instructions to buy shoes for the children. His personal letter was received

stating that 200 pairs of shoes (actually 278) were purchased and distributed to orphan children, together with pictures of the children.

**FLOOD RELIEF:** A check for \$100.00 was sent to the Rotary Club of Putman, Conn for flood relief of the city.

**CRIPPLED CHILDREN:** Taylor Rotary Club contributed \$1,000.00 towards the construction of their new buildings.

**WOLVERINE STATES:** Taylor Rotary Club is now sponsoring a boy and girl to their respective Wolverine State each year.

**TELEPHONE:** A special telephone home service was installed so that a home bound student could be in contact with his class at high school during class periods.

**KIDNEY MACHINE:** A Kidney Machine was donated to the Garden City Osteopathic Hospital to help sustain life for some 400 persons in Michigan each year.

TAYLOR POLICE: A check for \$1,500.00 was presented to Mayor Richard Trolley for the purchase of equipment for the police department's new crime and photographic laboratory.

EASTER SEAL DRIVE: Total contributions during the past several years for crippled children and fresh air camps total \$5,266.00

#### TAYLOR ROTARY CLUB HIGHLIGHTS 1992-1995

- Jerry Ziembra & Tim Kaul lead the "Shoes for Kids" program in Dec. 1991. \$2,500 certificates were given to needy Taylor families.
- \$7,000 pledged to Fire-Safe House by the end of 1991.
- Fire Side Chat in Feb. 1992.
- Donated \$7000 of surplus goods to homeless shelter in March 92
- Curt Smith lead the Clock Raffle, Earl lead the Dinner-Raffle and Larry Garner lead the Silent Auction in March 92.
- Rotary Scholar Jung Moon along with his wife and daughter were hosted for a special dinner in March 92.
- John Montgomery lead the Adopt-a-School program at Myers Elementary School in April 92.
- Taylor Center High School Interact Club collected 1300 pounds of clothing for the homeless shelters.
- Several Rotarians hosted the Group Study Exchange Team from Philippine District 3850 in April 92.
- Sarah & Larry's first district conference registration in Toronto in April 92.
- Karen Bachran & David West made a Interact presentation at the Toronto conference in April 92.
- Co-hosted Roast the Governor Night in May 92
- Had four college scholarship winners in May 92.
- Akos Keve Szabo is hosted by Sue & Tim in Aug. 92.
- Nathan Crain travels to Germany for a year in Aug. 92.
- Auto Tour for YEP Feb. 93
- Downriver Guidance Auction March 93.
- Several paint parties for Fire Safe House March 93.
- Interact Club uses board games to teach students at Myers School. Feb. 93.

- Interact Club donated clothes to COTS April 93
- Co-sponsored a Roast Host for DG Bob Harrison May 93.
- Fire Side Char in August 93.
- Garage Sale for Senior Citizens in June 93.
- Lisa Salandysz out-bounds to Spain, Michael Cassalo out- bounds to Australia in July 93.
- Taylor Boat Float in August 93.
- Nandi Straat joins the Wrights family in August 93.
- Three Taylor Students participate in RYLA in Nov. 93.
- Sponsored Job Shadowing Day in Nov. 93.
- Fire Safe House dedication in Oct.93.
- Taylor Rotarians & Interactors gave certificates for food and shoes along with holiday presents to needy Taylor families.
- Participated in Meals-On-Wheels Dec. 25, 1993.
- Nandi Straat join the Williams family in Jan. 94.
- Earl, Ed, Larry G. lead the Dinner Raffle in Mar. 94.
- John Wanat chairs the 50th Anniversary Committee in Mar.94.
- Job Shadowing with Career Center in Mar. 94.
- Lead club in the District Duck Races Fund Raiser in April 94.
- Second time for Jerry to be celebrity waiter for Teen Health Center in May 94.
- Our world famous photo op at the Kaul's in July 94.
- Help implement the District BBS in August 94.
- Marta Abril joins the Metzger household in Aug. 94.
- Six Taylor high school student attended RYLA in Nov. 94.
- Interact Club had another clothing drive for COTS home less shelter.
- Indre Kleinaite joins the Wright household in Aug. 95.
- Larry Wright, DG July 1, 1995.
- Start Taylor Center High School Interact Club in Sept. 91
- Start High School Senior Student scholarship program in Jan. 90.