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Muskegon Harbor Holiday Inn

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THE FOUR WAY TEST THAT ROTARIANS USE IN MAKING ETHICAL DECISIONS:

Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Program: "Marsh Field" & "Outstanding Citizen Awards"

MEETER / GREETER

Josh Wallace

INVOCATION

Eric Grimm

THIS MEETING'S MENU

Hamburger Bar; onion rings;
salad bar with 6 toppings, 3
dressings; assorted desserts

STUDENT GUESTS

Spring Break Absences

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Garry Olson Apr 10

PROGRAMS/EVENTS

04/16 Institute for Healing Racism

04/23 Farmer's Market Kitchen

06/12 Party in the Park

09/23 Grape Escape

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The deadline for RIM announcements is Thursday noon for the following week's issue. Submit brief announcements in writing to Editor Bill Johanson or one of the RIM Correspondents above.

Accolades for Mary Anne

Bob Scolnik represented RIM with pen and camera at the recent "Women of Achievement" Award Breakfast sponsored by the Greater Muskegon Woman's Club. This annual event recognizes "women who are community leaders who promote a high quality of life in Muskegon through volunteer service, community involvement, and by taking time to mentor others." This year's recipients were **Mary Anne Gorman**, above, executive director of Harbor Hospice and a long-time executive leader and mentor of professionals; Renee Chiasson Rouwhorst, co-owner of Rykes Bakery, Catering and Café, an innovative professional in her field and an active community volunteer; and Cheryl Schneider, a professional nurse, and extensive volunteer working with many organizations and hosting exchange students.



'Round Rotary's RIM



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This Friday, April 3, 8:30pm
Grand Haven Eagles FOE 925



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Join us in Traverse City May 1-3 for a high-energy

conference focused on "Bridging the Gap." The spotlight will be on young professionals and young Rotarians--how we can collectively ensure the future of our organization.

District 6290 Conference

This brief video outlines some of the key activities of our 2015 conference.



Last Week's Program
Heritage Park to
Open Soon
 by Frank Marczak

Bob Chapla, right, smooth voiced representative of the Community Foundation for Muskegon County, eagerly introduced Club members to a man who needs little introduction, **John McGarry**, below, CEO of the Lakeshore Museum Center. By John's own count, he has spoken to Rotary at least 30 times over the last 25 years. By now he should be earning a stipend.

His presentation was about the development of Hilt's Landing, a soon-to-be-opened Heritage Park located at 8637 N. Dunham Rd. in Whitehall.

Approached by one of the owners of the property and a township official seven years ago, the idea of protecting a beautiful and pristine piece of property was posed to John. After further thought and discussion, John recalled an Irish Heritage Trail he had visited in Ireland. And thus began the journey to create Michigan's own Heritage Park.

Taken into consideration was the mission of the Lakeshore Museum. Reviewing the history of the property as it

fur traders, it was not a stretch to see that the property would serve well as a heritage park. Over the last seven years, deliberations and fundraising has taken place and \$3.2 Million dollars has been raised to create the park.

John has often stated that good history makes for good business and Heritage Park will be no exception.



Monies donated by the Alcoa foundation, the River Band Native Americans, the Community Foundation for Muskegon County, the White Lake Community Fund and Consumers Energy, to name a few, has resulted in the creation of a stunning and family oriented historical park that will attract visitors from far and near. John shared architectural drawings of the grounds and buildings under construction or

already completed. The Park has been designed to appeal to the "new breed" of museum visitors, those with children who wish to engage in activities related to the theme rather than just reading scripts about events and dates. Working with the architect and focus groups, the layout and construction of the visitor center began 18

months ago, just as the beginning of one of the worst winters to hit West Michigan began its onslaught.

Pictures of the completed buildings and circular trail designed to capture the interest of the viewers demonstrated the thought and decisions that were made to make the park a stunning example of what life was like in past centuries.

Along the trail, which is ADA compliant, will be various stations or waysides as John

described them.

The waysides begin with a replica of an Ottawa Village, but named Odawa to represent the original name of the tribe that occupied the land. Three wigwams, found to be most difficult to construct, depict the era. Next is the fur trader's cabin that represents the nomadic work of traders who came from the north to capture furs to trade with Europe for goods made and constructed in various countries. Following is the settler's cabin, reminiscent of the era of the 1830s when Michigan, as we know it now, gained a 10-fold increase in population. A local contractor who specializes in the construction of log homes has been diligently working to produce logs prepared to be the sides and foundation of the settler's cabin.

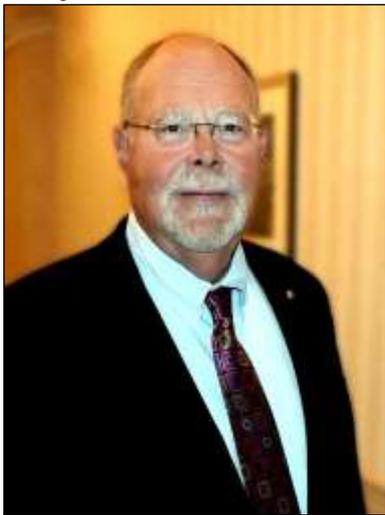


Another era depicted will be the Civil War era in which over 200 men from Muskegon served, many of them valiantly at Gettysburg. Overall, Michigan sent over 90,000 soldiers to fight in that war and two out of three succumbed to disease as opposed to war injury.

The next wayside to be encountered along the path is a logger's cabin, representative of the first big industry to be housed in Muskegon County. It will be complete with bunks and stove to represent that era. Last but not least will be the farmhouse, complete with an upper level living apartment for the site manager who will live on the property.

The park will open for business on Saturday, June 6, with a donors' gala scheduled for June 25. A formal dedication will take place on June 27 when the ribbon cutting will take place. John and staff are proud of what they have accomplished and they have reason to be proud.

John announced his retirement upon completion of the park and referred all future challenges to his successor, Annoesjka Steinman, recently "ordained" Rotarian. What a wonderful presentation and testimony to a man who has devoted his life to preserving and honoring the history of Muskegon County. **John McGarry**, go with Rotary's blessings and applause for all you have done for this area. ###



has hosted a variety of camps and tents occupied by Native Americans, loggers and



We welcomed into membership last week Justin Clark, left, Frontier Communications boss, sponsored by Kirk Hallman and inducted by President Brianna.



Our Oakridge Eagles visitors are, from left, Principal Rob Patton, Victoria Mueller, (missed her name, sorry) and Superintendent Tom Livezey



Cindy Brady signals “Yep, me!” as the object of President Brianna’s “Who’s that Rotarian?” activity. Cindy once inherited a cannon albeit a little one. No one guessed her.

The Wallaces invaded Mexico



three weeks ago bringing goodwill and better understanding. They are, from left, Jay Sr, 7-month-old Preston, Jay Jr, Finley (2), J’nai, Teagan (4), and Linda.

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Muskegon Co-Op Credit Union Manager Justin Bamford (John Rupert); Huntington Bank Branch Mgn Tamara Jackson Gatewood (Alan Alpert); Next IT Sr Solutions Consultant Leigh Williams, and WZZM Multi-Media Consultant Renee Dudek (Chanda Nichols); and Key Marketing LLC President Jan Mink (Orville Crain).

We have been approved to have our May 7th luncheon meeting at the Lake House, and our May 14th meeting at a still undisclosed location. Please notify your calendars of these changes from the norm.

Rotary friend Joellen Evans says, “My son Aidan Rhyndress - back row below, red shirt - has experienced



many benefits from Muskegon Rotary Club. Here he is continuing to provide community service as part of Michigan Tech Rotaract.”

April is Jazz month and to celebrate the Hackley Public Library have Checkers Morton playing a free concert. If you come to hear Checkers Morton, below, you may be a different person when you leave. What you will hear is a band of friends who have played together under this moniker for 40 years. >>>



There’s another great USS Silversides presentation shown above. Check out: www.facebook.com/StormConcert

>>> Checkers Morton is Dave Collee on bass, Gus VanStee on keys, Jim Beegle on trumpet, flueglehorn, congas and flute, Dan Giacobassi on saxes, flute and shakuhachi and Tim Froncek on the drums. They’ll play for you at 6:00 PM, Monday, April 13, at Hackley Public Library.

Below is a second page 3 poster to zoom in on for readability – your kids can show you how.