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Muskegon Rotary Club

Club 216 (2809) – District 6290, Chartered May 1, 1916

February 25, 2016 12:10pm

Watermark 920 Conference Center

<http://www.muskegonrotary.org>



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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: "Brazil Youth Exchange Student Christian Berends"

MEETERS / GREETERS

Jenna Blamer

INVOCATION - REFLECTION

Jerry Conrad

THIS MEETING'S MENU

(See far column)

STUDENT GUESTS

Muskegon Heights Tigers

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Jim Fisher	Feb 26
Steve Olsen	Mar 1
Michael Schultz	Mar 1
Kevin Ricco	Mar 2

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

02/25 Rebound Brazil Student
 (Meet at Watermark 920)
 03/03 Ironmen Indoor Football
 03/10 Step Up
 03/17 Life Circles/PACE
 03/24 Silent Observer
 03/31 Club Assembly
 04/30 **100 YEAR CELEBRATION**

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Lottery Dates Revealed



For the straight skinny, click on:
<http://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000001911/en-ca/files/homepage/crains-house-lottery/The-Crain-House-Lottery-has-begun.pdf>

Always Happy to Help

RIM, an integral part of Muskegon Rotary, is made for service. One way we serve is helping promote a good cause, and working off notes or flyers saves us time and ensures that we say the right things to readers. The man to our right (visiting Rotarian and Club alum **Paul Keep**) who we're helping right now is promoting "Soups On Along the Lakeshore." His flyer provided groundwork; Google helped, too. →

Watermark 920 Menu this Week

Maple Brined Roasted Pork Tenderloin
 Calvados (French Brandy) Demi-Glace •
 Smoked Almonds
 Salmon Potato Cakes
 Cajun Remoulade
 Basmati Rice, Wheatberry & Orzo
 Mélange
 Sweet Corn Pudding
 Bell Peppers
 Shaved Brussels Sprouts, Kale & Broccoli
 Salad
 Cranberries • Applewood Smoked Bacon •
 Parmesan Reggiano
 Hazelnut Vinaigrette
 Layered Carrot Cake Mascarpone Verrine
 By Hearthstone Catering



→ <http://www.cwestmi.org/events/soal-event>

Our Newest Members



Here's another peek at the previous week's inductees, from left. Boy Scout exec **Brian Springer** (sponsor **Rem Sprague**); BBBS Executive Director **Lisa Hegenbart** (**Dawn Johnson**); and retired General Dynamics CEO **Tom Keenan** (**Bob Scolnik**).

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ANOTHER THROWBACK THURSDAY – It's May 2014. Kathy Moore introduces the visiting Class A state basketball champs of Muskegon High School, from left, William Roberson, DeShaun Thrower,



Jamel French, and Deyonta Davis. Davis starts for the MSU Spartans these days with a decent chance to play on one of this year's NCAA Final Four team.

Featuring
 Wines from Michigan Wineries
 Michigan Microbrews
 and Specialty Food from
 Hometown Restaurants and Caterers

**Biggest
 Fundraiser
 of the Year**

**Grape Escape
 Muskegon Rotary 2016**

6:00pm - 9:00pm

Wednesday September 21

SAVE THE DATE!

Bella Maria's Ristorante & Event Center



**Round
 Rotary's
 RIM**

RIM Reflection: to ponder, to question
Aha, and other such moments

RI President KR Ravindran in the current *The Rotarian* presented these observations:

"In life, sometimes the experiences that matter the most are the briefest. They pass in the blink of an eye: a few days, a few hours, a few minutes. They are the experiences that illuminate the landscape of our memory, shining brightly even years later. They

are the moments in which we see, suddenly, something we had not seen; we understand something we had not understood; we forge a connection we had not expected. ..."

In a perfect world, we Rotarians might all embrace the *wow* value of brief experiences... experiences often foreign to *non*-Rotarians... experiences like: quickly deciding to raise a hand to volunteer, encouraging others to do likewise; effectively planning to provide food or clean drinking water for families in poverty; and actively working for, supporting, and publicly recognizing student excellence in education.

Commitment, Rotarian style, typically follows quick decision-making, a natural outcome of involvement with Rotary friends and Four Way Test exposure. Thoughts and deeds that follow are indeed special, most of all each positive contribution. And sometimes...

... an unexpected **aha moment** or **split-second recollection** from a recent night's dream surfaces, leading us to resolving an issue, maybe even cracking a smile. Too bad that scientific confirmation of a Rotary role here isn't likely, even if our best intuition tells us otherwise.



Jim Fisher, above left... er, right, achieved a milestone last week, finishing several weeks of physical therapy for a re-injury of his lower back – a consequence of 37 years of running. He celebrates here with his physical therapist, Cori Jewett-Geoghan, especially for being able to avoid surgery. Someone in the hall said they overheard his pledge afterward: "... I'll never, EVER run again... NEVER... did you hear me? EVER... 'cept when I'm alone or with someone."

Baker Rotaractor of the Month

Samantha Craft, January's honoree, is a first year member of the Rotaract Club of Baker College of Muskegon. She is majoring in Human Services and has been



a very active member during her first year. Since joining the club, Sam has colored bags for Kids' Food Basket on her own time, and has helped at different events at the college. In January, Sam

volunteered at the Martin Luther King, Jr Day of Service held at Baker College. In her spare time, she enjoys writing poetry and drawing. Thank you, Sam, for all your time and efforts. Keep up the great work!

**This week's meeting
 @Watermark 920**

Last Week's Program

Junior Achievement by Tamera Collier



Local JA Program Mgr Stacie Stevens-Venhuizen reported that much of high school graduates' job preparation is deficient; skills such as problem-solving, teamwork, ethics and reading comprehension are insufficient for most entry level jobs.

Junior Achievement, through an evidenced-based curriculum prepares young people for the world of work.

Beginning in elementary and continuing through high school, JA participants develop relationships with positive role models, achieve higher test scores, are better critical thinkers and more confident about their ability to complete college.

JA is moving into the 21st Century with a new blended learning model for middle and high school students that pairs

traditional program delivery with technology. Our organization can help by encouraging employees to volunteer, providing financial support, or provide direct program support through events such as JA Business Titan Challenge, Business Hall of Fame, and Golf Scramble.

Below's a Rotaract OF Baker College officer selfie! Linda Meyers almost made it back into the picture!



- End Polio Now Crain House Lottery – lost several more gamblers this week Mona Shores Interact Fundraiser – InterArt is looking for your gently used art, and artsy items for its fundraiser next week, February 25th from 6-8 p.m.
- North Muskegon is hosting the Interact Conference at North Muskegon High School, March 5th.
- **Chris Burnaw** – made a pitch for the Seaway Run 127 days away and she is “dancing with stars” several Rotary Members are trying to raise money via the Dancing with Stars Fundraiser for the local food pantries.
- Come out to support the Soddo Christian Hospital in Ethiopia. North Muskegon Interact is hosting and open house to celebrate and assist Dr. Mark & Allison Karnes work in Soddo, Ethiopia. Next Thursday Feb. 25, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at North Muskegon Fine Arts Center (FLEX) contact John Slocum jslocum@nmps.net
- Grand Haven Rotary is selling tickets for their Annual Raffle with 1st prize at 5000.00; \$10 for every \$20 spent comes back to our Club toward Every Rotarian Every Year.

Two lines are for nothing more than helping columns line up at the bottom.

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Tom Ludwig's sister-in-law (**Tom Ludwig**); North Muskegon Interact team John Slocum, Emily Lindback, Paige Twining, Loren Cribbs and Grace Goskewicz (**Interact**); Mona Shores Interact Team Savannah Kendra, Cindy Wu and Ellie Zuidema (**Interact**); Baker Rotaract Team Kaytie Ely, Nick Bogner, Megan Malewitz, Amanda Rupert and Tracy Stremus (**Interact**); 4 Honduras bound students (**Mark Meyers-HHOP/Muskegon Rotary Trip WCS**); Waddell and Reed Financial Advisor and [prospective member](#) Ken Johnson (**Chad Lawie**); YMCA Associate Executive Director Melissa Wikman (**Bruce Spoelman**); Orchard View Schools Supt and [prospective member](#) Jim Nielsen, and Orchard View HS Assistant Principal Samantha Wilson (**Doug Wood**); and Muskegon Chamber Public Policy & Party Planner Rachel Stewart (**Dawn Johnson**); Student guests were from MHS Big Reds.

This Week On Stage

When Christian Berends was about to embark on his Rotary year away, there were apprehensions... about his journey, for sure, but also about delivering this talk when he returned. Come support him.

Committee Reports

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRESIDENT

President Susan encouraged all new members to attend the new member get together TONITE and all in the future, even if they don't RSVP. Even old members may join the new ones.

Regarding supporting current student projects, Susan stated that it may seem like Rotary is always asking for money but there are alternatives such as giving gently used art, time on projects, etc...

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – COMMITTEE MEMBERS, GUESTS

Kathy Moore – we have a new revamped Red Star committee with several new members. Please consider joining – Kathy would like a new chair. It is a fun group with lots going on.

Pam Babbitt – New member get together 5:15 tonight at the Crain's, drinks and hors d'oeuvres, email Pam for address / directions. It is at the Crain's current house, not the new one.