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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: “Conflict Resolution Month” Kate Kesteloot Scarbrough

MEETERS / GREETERS

Jenna Blamer

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Dean Roesler

THIS MEETING'S MENU

Sautéed Chicken w/ boursin cream sauce and toasted almonds; salad bar 6 toppings 3 dressings; vegetable; bread and butter; assorted desserts

STUDENT GUESTS

Montague Wildcats

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Larry Larsen Feb 9

John Sytsema Feb 10

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

02/11 Diversity & Inclusion

02/18 Junior Achievement
(Meet at Lake House)

02/25 Rebound Brazil Student
(Meet at Watermark 920)

04/30 **100 YEAR CELEBRATION**

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With the drama of last week's killer East Coast storms in the books, what a treat to see winter being enjoyed in sunshine. The selfie group here, led by RIM's most photographed superb-model Nancy McCarthy, is the Owasippe Snowshoe Crew, striking terror in the peaceful countryside last Saturday.

This Week On Stage

February is Rotary Peace & Conflict Resolution Month, but that's not the good part. For 22 years now, Mediation & Restorative Services has worked locally, assisting community members in solving conflict and resolving issues effectively. But it gets better.

Our speaker attended the Rotary World Peace Conference in Ontario, Canada a couple of weeks ago and will be talking about what she heard there and what we're already doing here in Muskegon. And *that* will finally be the good part... if you don't count being stopped at Canadian Customs for trying to return home with a baby moose. Would we kid about something like that?!



“QUEEN NANCY McSNOWSHOE”

CLIP 'N' SAVE

Good Reason to Mark Calendars

We're changing venues mid-winter to prove we can and to show doubters that Rotarians aren't change-challenged, at least not all the time.

We'll be at the Lake House on February 18 and the Watermark 920 on February 25. Again...

Feb 18 – Lake House

Feb 25 – Watermark 920

then it's back to the Holiday Inn



Be a gift to the world

Five Score Journalist Years



Dave Alexander and longtime *Chronicle* colleagues Susan Harrison Wolffis and Clayton Hardiman were honored by the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners Tuesday with resolutions of recognition upon their retirements. "There were no two journalists that I was more proud to stand next to than Clayton and Susan," Dave shared. "We all had blessed careers serving the community we so love. Our combined time reporting and commenting on Muskegon County spanned more than 100 years. Thank you commissioners and county staff."

Olivia Mainville and the Aquatic Troupe wsg Nordlund & the Nomad Assembly



Watermark Live is pleased to present a Spring Concert at Watermark 920.

ALL AGES - NO TICKETS: NO COVER with a jar of peanut butter*

*we are pleased to partner with Kids Food Basket in Muskegon. (This is a free - all ages event - donations not required.) But, if you bring in a jar of peanut butter to the door - we will donate all collected jars to Kids Food Basket.

WHERE: Watermark 920 - 920

Washington Ave, on March 4, 2006

SCHEDULE: Doors open at 6:30pm - come in and grab a coffee or a sandwich before the show! Or a drink from the bar - Michigan wine and beer for the evening, and fully stocked bar.

Show starts at: 7:00pm

Featured act set: 8:30pm - 10pm

FOR MORE, CONTACT SARAH SASS

Rotaract Call for Help

The Baker College of Muskegon Rotaract Club is looking for a few **guest speakers** at their meetings about once a month for the next four months. Any takers? They meet on Tuesdays, 4:30 - 5:45pm.

Their club is also going to a Muskegon Lumberjacks game on February 5 to raise money for Kids' Food Basket at the game. They'd really like to **have some Rotarians at the game** to help support their efforts and cheers them on!! Tickets are only \$8 for anyone interested. For both opportunities, please contact me. — linda.meyers@baker.edu

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Round

Rotary's RIM



Muskegon Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce officials were honored to be



among 56 amazing West Michiganders honored at Wednesday morning's *Grand Rapids Business Journal's* "Newsmakers of the Year" event! Congratulations to all the nominees and winners! Pictured above, from left, are **Ed Garner, Cindy Larsen, and Jonathan Seyferth.**

Here's yet another promotion of the Crain House Lottery 50/50 Drawing for our End Polio Now fundraising. The \$10 ticket includes a chance to win 50 percent of the pool and an invitation to the open house reception celebration. Only a few, or less, of the 60 Lottery slots remain.

Save the Date

Join us as we toast
Muskegon Rotary's
100-year Anniversary!

Who? Rotarians and guests
When? April 30, 2016, 6PM
Where? Muskegon Country Club

Formal invitations to follow
Event is Black Tie Optional

A graphic illustration of two champagne glasses filled with bubbly liquid, with a large splash of liquid above them. The background is dark.

Last Week's Program

Alliance for Marijuana Prevention

by Jonathan Wilson

AMP, or Alliance for Marijuana Prevention, is a Health Project coalition



focused on educating and improving awareness among parents on the effects and accessibility of marijuana in our community.

AMP meets monthly with Muskegon Prosecutor **DJ Hilson**, above, chairing.

Several community leaders, law enforcement officials, parents, and educators research the topic and develop programs and activities toward improving marijuana-related issues. Last week's program included some very relevant information about myths associated with marijuana, current trends in the industry and regulations, as well as the economic impact of legalized medical and recreational marijuana.

A prominent myth associated with marijuana is that it is not bad for you, when the fact is, marijuana today contains a higher percentage (10.1%) of THC than in previous years. THC, or tetrahydrocannabinol, is the chemical responsible for

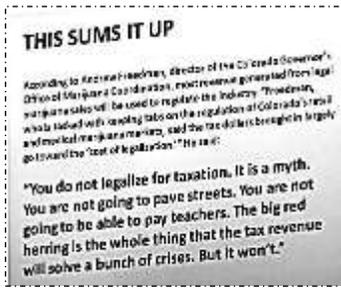


most of marijuana's psychological effects and can lead to dangerous results. Another myth is that legalizing marijuana would decrease the

prison population and save tax dollars. Actually, marijuana related prison sentences account for less than 5% of the total prison population. It is also assumed that elderly citizens with ailments would benefit most from the legalization of

marijuana; however, the majority of medical marijuana card holders are young adults (18-40), who have "chronic pain."

Today's marijuana comes in a variety of



products from gummy bears, to candy bars and vaporizers (ie, e-cigarettes) — this is

made possible because of butane hash oil, a process by which you can extract pure THC from marijuana. This creates an even more dangerous environment because you cannot smell the marijuana when it is being used. The high levels of THC have resulted in a number of accidental deaths.

DJ went on to explain the perceived economic benefits associated with legalizing marijuana; however, the negatives, such as increased homeless populations, crime rates and costs to



regulate, far outweigh the potential benefits, and create an environment where users are more likely to purchase marijuana on the black market.

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County and Michigan conducted a survey to ask businesses if they drug test, and whether or not they would support or oppose the legalization of marijuana in Michigan. Over 50% of the businesses who participated in the survey said they do drug test for marijuana. Most businesses also say they would oppose the legalization of marijuana in Michigan. Anyone seeking more information about AMP, can visit www.ampmuskegon.org or HilsonDa@co.muskegon.mi.us.



NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRESIDENT

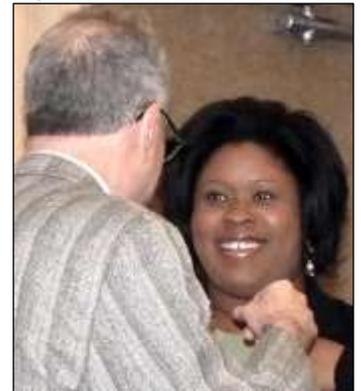
President **Susan Crain**, left, more than halfway through her term of



office, has been working on her legacy during vacation, returning to us last week full of fire and Rotary desire (a word spelled backward is

"erised.") She spoke with such gusto that RIM's seasoned news team could hardly keep up, but what we did capture follows:

- There were no member inductions however there were 4 resignations announced: **Craig Niles, Sam Joseph, Tim Achterhoff** and **Mary Lou Achterhoff**
- **Tamara Jackson-Gatewood**, below, after a significant list of newbie



accomplishments, had the Red Star removed from her badge by **Alan Alpert**.

- Satellite meetings are being held at 5:15pm on Thursdays. Susan passed around a sign-up sheet for members to attend and/or facilitate these meetings. **DJ Hilson** indicated he'd be willing to attend that evening's meeting and discuss his earlier program.

- Susan was asked to do something important with our Rotary District's Grant Compliance effort, and asked members to remember our annual goal of \$100 per member per year.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – COMMITTEE MEMBERS, GUESTS

Gary Ostrom reported that our next New Member Orientation will be Wednesday, February 3, 8am, at the Shoreline Inn.

Phil Friedrich is recruiting members for a euchre tournament fundraiser being held by the Spring Lake Rotary Club on February 12, 2016.

The Seaway Run will be held on June 25, 2016, **Chris Burnaw** told us.. Rotary members are being encouraged to sign up for the run, or volunteer for the event.

From left below, **Frank Peterson, Chris Burnaw and Troy Wasserman** are 3 of the 5 Rotarians participating in the Dancing with the Local Stars fundraising event being held February 25-27, 2016. Rotary members are being asked to support the event with donations and attendance.



Howard Hardesty received a Paul Harris Fellowship following his winning participation in an earlier fundraising competition.

Randy Lindquist, off on some leisurely boondoggle far away from Club, won/lost the weekly Cootie game, receiving the membership's "awwwwww" in sympathy.

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Norton Shores Police Chief and *prospective member* Jon Gale (**Mark Meyers**); West Michigan Ironmen Owner Terrance Williams and Director of Player Personnel Darris Lynk (**Tammy Jackson**); City of Muskegon Intern Shalic Reiley (**Cathy Brubaker-Clarke**); PNC Workplace Manager Nathan Earle (**Tom Schaub**); Comerica Exec Sales Rep and *prospective member* Kimberly George (**Diane Van Epps**); 5/3 Bank FCM and *prospective member* Tasha Oakes (**Howard Hardesty**); Habitat for Humanity Executive Director and *prospective member* Ashley Fleser, and Michigan Works Region Srvs Center Director Brittany Lenertz (**Mike Schultz**); The Health Project's Laura Fitzpatrick (**DJ Hilson**); Ice

Box Ice Cream's Chris Morin (**Troy Wasserman**); and BBBS Executive Director and *prospective member* Lisa Hegenbart (**Pam Harris**). Student guests were from Mona Shores HS.

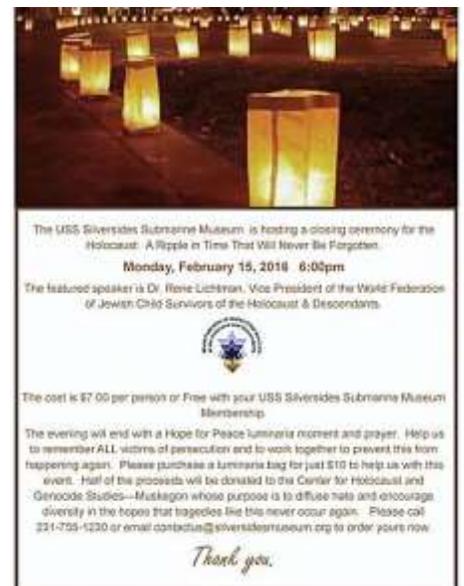


↑ **Last week's Satellite Club**



Prospective members Lisa Hegenbart, left, and Tasha Oakes represent some recently successful recruiting efforts that are keeping Club membership to the plus side as members come & go.

The USS Silversides Submarine Museum is hosting a closing ceremony



for the Holocaust: A Ripple in Time That Will Never Be Forgotten. Click link: <file:///C:/Users/Bill/Pictures/AAA%20ROTARY/ROTARY%20PHOTOS/ROTARY%20Meetings%202016/AAA%20%20FACEBOOK%20SHOTS/Bill%20J.pdf>