

October 18, 2013

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Meeting Thursdays

at Noon at the

Holiday Inn

Near the University of Michigan

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Hope. Faith. Cure.

Fight Leukemia for Katie!

That’s the message on bracelets that Katie Copeland’s friends are selling to raise money for whatever needs the Copeland family has. Katie (Matt’s wife) is undergoing chemotherapy at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for 30 days. Laura Van Steenis has a supply of the bracelets, which are $5 each. The Copelands have said they will keep us posted on what kind of help the family needs.

Visiting Rotarians

Virginia Nordby was our greeter. She introduced our guests: John Rasmussen, of the Downtown Ann Arbor Rotary Club; a civil engineer from India who is shares Manish Mehta’s last name, and our speaker, Michael Angelo Caruso, who is also a Rotarian from Troy.

Rotary Songs and Traditions

President-Elect John Arenz handled the meeting in President Keith Krings’ absence Dutch Nie offered our invocation, starting out by saying, “Thank God I made it to a Rotary meeting! (We’re glad, too Dutch!) Scott Nelson led our songs (“America” and “The Rotary Song”) and Gai Scott led us in reciting the Rotary 4-WayTest.

Green Baxter Halloween Party

We will be taking the kids from Green-Baxter Court to a pumpkin patch to pick out Halloween pumpkins on Saturday, October 26, from 1 to 3 p.m. Tamra Ward is looking for volunteers to chaperone the trip.

Fall Chore Day

President Keith Krings reminded us that Fall Chore Day is coming up and we will be participating again this year. Stay tuned for details.

B.A.B.E.S.

No B.A.B.E.S. this week. They will return next week.

50/50

Our speaker won the raffle and donated his winnings back to our club. Thanks, Michael!

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Happy Dollars

Scott Nelson offered a happy dollar now that the federal government shutdown is over, Scott and other federal workers can go back to work AND get a paycheck!

Michael Angelo Caruso

Motivational speaker, author, and past president of the Troy Rotary Club, Michael Angelo Caruso shared his secrets for influencing people, captivating audiences and engaging Rotary.

Michael said that anyone can become a person that other people gravitate toward by (1) developing a firm handshake and always being the first person to extend a hand, (2) walking into a room with a smile and (3) walking purposefully. He said that we have only 15 seconds to make a good impression on an audience.

He told us that we should always use “the most important words” in our vocabulary to build a bridge with people. Among them are:

The person’s name

Thank you.

I’m proud of you.

What is your opinion? Or

What do you think of that?

Michael said he wears his Rotary pin everywhere and people invariably ask him, “what is that little pin?” Michael’s answer draws them into a conversation about Rotary. He says, “that pin represents the best decision I ever made.” Of course, his listeners always ask, “what decision is that?” His answer: “Rotary,” Then they ask, “What is Rotary?” and Michael has them interested.

He suggested that we use our Clubrunner webpage for internal communications, but focus on facebook for reaching the outside world.

Upcoming Programs

Oct 24 RI Lisbon Convention

 Manish Mehta

Oct 31 Auto Industry Update

 David Cole

Nov 7 Media/Communications

 Geoff Larcom

Nov 14 RI Foundation

 Gail Scott

Nov 21 Solar Energy Research

 Rachel Goldman

Nov 28 THANKSGIVING

 No Meeting

Dec 5 EMU Women’s Soccer

 Michael Miller

Dec 12 Trinity Health Breast Cancer

 Janet Burns

