



# Flint Rotary World

Charter No. 220 – *Rotary Club of Flint, Michigan* – Organized April 7, 1916

*Rotary theme for 2017-18- “Rotary: Making a Difference”*

Ian H.S. Riseley from Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, Rotary International President  
Martin Ward, Rotary Club of Grand Bend, Ontario, Canada, Governor for District 6330

**Coming up: Herb Winfrey, President Flint City Council  
At the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan Hunger Solutions Center**

## The current political climate

Political pundit Paul Rozycki joined us last week to deliver some insight into the upcoming elections. Paul said that non-presidential election years traditionally have low voter turnout, but that due to the current political climate and a large number of seats open, that may be different this year.

He added that low turn-out is generally good for Republicans, EXCEPT the year following a presidential election year. Parties that win the presidency, most often take “a beating” in the “off year” elections.

Paul said the races to watch this year are the Governor’s race, the Attorney General race and the Secretary of State race.

The Governor’s race has four Democratic Candidates: Gretchen Whitmer, Shri Thanedar, William Cobb and Dr. Abdul El-Sayed. Rozycki pointed out there are no white males running as a democrat in this election. The Governor’s race has seven candidates including Brian Calley, Patrick Colbeck, Dr. Jim Hines, Earl Lackie, and Bill Schuette. Rozycki said Schuette has been running so long that he comes across as a career politician.



Rob Jewell, Paul Rozycki and President Gerald.

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### VITAL STATISTICS

For the April 13 meeting:

**Jerry Knoodle** was our song leader. **Steve Tunicliff** was our greeter. The inspirational message was delivered by **Rob Jewell**. Registering and introducing our guests and visiting Rotarians was **Jerry Knoodle**, and Set up and Take down was provided by **Terry Mohrman**. **Paul Vanston** provided our wonderful music.

### OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS 2017-18

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He also said Calley is so tied to current Governor Snyder.

The Democrats in the Attorney General Race are endorsed by two groups struggling control of the party – Pat Miles is backed by the UAW and Dana Nessel is backed by the NEA.

In the Secretary of State is an open question, according to Rozycki, and an important element is a ballot proposal to reform redistricting. He said the Secretary of State will play a major role in implementing that.

With Phil Phelps term limited, Rozycki said the real contest for the 49<sup>th</sup> district seat will be between Dayne Walling and John Cherry III. Pam Farris is also term limited and there are five people vying for her seat.

He said the real election for the November ballot is the primary – many of the open seats tend to be in one-party districts, so whomever wins the primary will likely win the seat.

It should be an interesting election year!

# FIA Expansion Opening

Marissa Pierce from the Flint Institute of Arts shared a video on the construction of the new FIA Expansion and invited everyone to join the FIA Saturday, April 21 for the Ribbon Cutting.



## Rotary Make-Ups:

03/30/18	Robert Bennett	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Daniel Crannie	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Richard Gibbs	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Dawn Hibbard	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Gerald Hill	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Frederick Hinz	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Robert Jewell	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Jerry Knoodle	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Amy Krug	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Gerald McCarty	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Kyle McCree	Friday Fellowship Mtg
03/30/18	Howard Shand	Sarasota Sunrise, FL
04/04/18	Michael Lindemann	Flint Sunrise
04/06/18	Howard Shand	Sarasota Sunrise, FL
04/08/18	Michael Chaffee	P.E.T.S.
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04/12/18	Jane O'Dell	Flushing
04/03/18	Donald Lada	Grand Blanc

## Guests & Visiting Rotarians

Guest	Company or Organization	Guest of
John Cherry	Owner of Flint Coffee Candidate for the 49 th State District	Jim Richardson
Malcolm Hendricks		Preston Means
Jim Hall	Catholic Charities Project Manager	Vicki Schultz
Christina Ferris		Genesee Valley
Carole Pence Pence	Consulting President	Bob Sibilsky
Marissa Pierce	FIA Public Relations	John Henry
Chris Christenson	Christenson & Fiederlein, P.C. Attorney	Nick Godlesky

## REMINDER:

Fill out the Member Survey online or ask President Gerald for a paper copy!

## Future Programs

Club Assembly  
 05/04/18: Jeff Wright, Drain Commissioner Genesee County Water & Waste Services  
 05/18/18: High School Scholar Athletes of the Year  
 05/25/18: NO MEETING - Memorial Day Holiday  
 06/29/18: Presidential Roast/Farewell

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## Where to make up:

<b>Monday</b>	
Saginaw Valley	7:15 AM Saginaw Valley Heritage Center
<b>Tuesday</b>	
Clio	7:30 AM Roger's Lodge
Columbiaville	6:30 PM Rotary Building
Durand	11:30 AM Durand Depot
Fenton	7:15 AM Spring Meadows Country Club
Genesee Valley (Flint)	12:00 PM Redwood Lodge, Hill Rd.
Grand Blanc 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Only	12:00 PM Aubree's Pizzeria & Grill
Lapeer	12:10 PM Lapeer County Center Building
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Greater Flint Sunrise	7:00 AM Academic Resource Center at Baker College
Owosso	12:15 PM D'Mar Banquet & Conference Center
Saginaw	12:00 PM Saginaw Club
<b>Thursday</b>	
Burton 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Only	12:10 PM IMA Brookwood Golf Club
Corunna	12:00 PM Corunna United Methodist Church
Davisburg (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday)	7:00 PM 4H Fair Grounds Community Room
Flushing	7:00 AM Sorrento's Restaurant
Frankenmuth	12:10 PM Zehnder's Restaurant



## The Rotary Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"