



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: Club Assembly!

At the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan Hunger Solutions Center

City Council President Herb Winfrey

Our speaker last week was Herb Winfrey, President of the Flint City Council. Mr. Winfrey outlined four priorities for his tenure as Council President:

1. To serve people well, meaning that he is responsive and available to constituents and always truthful, even if it means respectfully disagreeing with someone, rather than feigning agreement. He also seeks to bring together the Council and Administration to serve the people of Flint better.

2. To help Council to function in such a way that any civics class would feel good about visiting. In his words, “good leaders are those who can bring together people to work on hard issues.”

3. Implementing the recently approved new city Charter. He emphasized that while the pace of implementation may be slower than some would wish, the Council is methodically approaching its work.

Various steps must be taken along the way, such as reviewing the 250-plus directives signed by former Emergency Managers, as well as simultaneously addressing fallout of the water crisis.

4. Lastly, he hopes to create a business-friendly climate in city hall. He gave the example that for a person considering an investment, the timeliness of permitting and approval processes has a bearing on which community they will choose.



Herb Winfrey and President Gerald.

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VITAL STATISTICS

For the April 20 meeting:

Jerry Hill was our song leader. **Preston Means** was our greeter. The inspirational message was delivered by **Paul Vanston**. Registering and introducing our guests and visiting Rotarians was **George Wilson**, and Set up and Take down was provided by **Preston Means**. **Paul Vanston** provided our wonderful music.

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Mr. Winfrey introduced Suzanne Wilcox, Flint's Director of Planning and Development, to share the news that Flint is one of six finalists nation-wide for the highly competitive Choice Neighborhoods implementation grant through HUD.

If funded, the \$30,000,000 grant would enable Flint, the Flint Housing Commission, and its development partner to build new mixed-income, multi-family and infill housing along Saginaw St. from Atherton Rd. to Williams St. The development would allow the relocation of residents from Atherton East housing community to areas closer to transit.

In addition to housing, the Choice Neighborhoods approach includes human services and neighborhood supports.

Mr. Winfrey ended with his favorite quote from Muhammad Ali: "Service to others is the rent you pay for your room on Earth."



Bits & Pieces

There was a special recognition of Barbara Bush's passing. The former First Lady was known for her advocacy of family literacy and her work with the White House Endowment Fund.

Greg Viener announced that Huntington Bank will be updating the Weatherball with its logo. Don't be alarmed if you see crews working on it- the Weatherball will remain.

This week marked 19 years since the Columbine High School shooting.

Students across the country, including some in Genesee County, walked out of class to draw attention to gun violence.

President Barbara Wagner of the Redbud, IL Rotary Club exchanged banners with President Gerald.



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A little humor to brighten your day – and a blast from the past to warm the cockles of your heart.

Rotary Make-Ups:

03/30/18	Terrence Mohrman	Friday Fellowship Mtg
04/10/18	Nicholas Godlesky	Genesee Valley
04/17/18	Nicholas Godlesky	Genesee Valley
04/18/18	George Ananich	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Robert Bennett	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Michael Chaffee	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Frederick Hinz	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Amy Hovey	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Elizabeth Jordan	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Michael Lindemann	Flint Sunrise
04/18/18	Gerald McCarty	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Rebecca Millsap	Board Meeting
04/18/18	Jane O'Dell	Board Meeting
04/20/18	Howard Shand	Sarasota Sunrise, FL
04/24/18	Jerry Preston	Birch Run

Guests & Visiting Rotarians

Guest	Company or Organization	Guest of
Barb Wagner	President, Rotary Club of Red Bud,	Jim Richardson
Linette Phillips	CoF Deputy Director of Economic Dev.	Janice Karcher
Suzanne Wilcox	CoF Director of Planning & Dev.	Janice Karcher

New Member Proposal First Reading:

Name	Classification	Sponsor
Melody Strang	K-12 Education – Supt	Fred Hinz



Future Programs

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:

Monday

Saginaw Valley 7:15 AM
Saginaw Valley Heritage Center

Tuesday

Clio 7:30 AM
Roger's Lodge

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 1st & 3rd Only 12:00 PM
Aubree's Pizzeria & Grill

Lapeer 12:10 PM
Lapeer County Center Building

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Burton 1st & 3rd Only 12:10 PM
IMA Brookwood Golf Club

Corunna 12:00 PM
Corunna United Methodist Church

Davisburg (1st & 3rd 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?"**