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SPRING ZING - AN AWESOME AND ENGAGING EXPERIENCE FOR THE SENSES TASTE-FEST AND AUCTION ZUCCARO'S COUNTRY HOUSE Minutes by Eric Pierson

Next week's Rotary meeting is at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library on Romeo Plank Road.

ot sure who led us in the Pledge, but recalled that **John Walendowski** gave the benediction to start our meeting on this the first meeting of 2010.

Lunch today was chicken pot pie and I was disappointed to see that everyone around me finished their portion.

President Furest announced that our next meeting will take place at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library.

Guests

Dr. Kenewell and his fiancee - guests of the club and speaker John Russi - guest of **Ray Glime** Joe Russell - guest of **Phil Groh**

Tim Lamkin - guest of Phil Groh

Loran Coffman - guest of **Don Carnaghi** and Lake Orion Rotarian Del Becker - guest of **Carl Becker**



Flowers

Carl Becker purchased a flower for our speaker.

Songs



Julie Huttenlocher led us in songs this week. As Julie appears to be somewhat infatuated with Texas Longhorn quarterback, Colt McCoy, we started with the song "Deep in the Heart of Texas." After singing this song, I thought hard about this and I came to the inescapable conclusion that this was, indeed, the goofiest song I have ever sung in Rotary. Apparently, it did nothing to help either McCoy or the Longhorns as McCoy went out injured

and the Longhorns lost last night to Alabama. Roll Tide!

Sorry, I got a little sidetracked there, but since I found out **Mark Zuccaro** (HINT, Recognition) did not show up to write the bulletin today. I got a late start and needed to fill in all I missed. So after this song that sounded more like something out of Dr. Seuss, Julie recovered nicely with a crowd favorite, "Sing a Song to Rotary," where we all made the rafters ring.

Speaking of ringing . . . From **Bob Randolph**: Thanks for ringing the bell at our Rotary kettle: **Nancy Dedenbach**, **Jessica Cheshire Stone**, **Rolf Schroeter**, **Ray Hofner**, **Bill Lee**, **Larry Neal**, **John King**, **Dana Casson**, **Jaime**, **Todd and Trevor Fitzpatrick**, **Keith Lesperance**, **Sarah Lee-Ellena**, **Terri LeClair**, **Kris Miele**, **Ray Glime** and Bob Randolph



Recognition by Ken Kish

rt Mullen got fined for the Mount Clemens New Year's Eve celebration in downtown Mount Clemens that received broad coverage by the press and included about 4,500 guests. All MSU alums were fined \$2 for their team's loss in the Valera (Who?) Alamo Bowl. All Central Michigan Alums (OK, Jessica Stone) were (was) fined \$4.99 for their extraordinary win in the GMAC Bowl.

Julie Huttenlocher was fined \$4.99 because the Huttenlocher group was announced to be the largest something in something. OK, no excuse for this one, but I was trying to catch up. Bottom line is that Julie is related to the Huttenlocher group and thus should be fined for any good news they receive. That's just how it works. **Carl Becker** was fined for yet another favorable article regarding his daughter's burgeoning collaborative law practice.

Don Green was recognized for the cake we ate for dessert. As Don's birthday is during the holiday, he is never recognized for his birthday at a Rotary meeting, thus we had a birthday cake (it was really good too) chocolate with chocolate ice cream. The green topping left everyone with green teeth. For a minute there, I thought it was St. Patrick's Day. **Ray Glime** went out to eat with Don on his birthday and didn't even treat, in fact the opposite occurred. So at \$4.99 he was given just treatment.

Presentation

ur speaker today was Dr.
Kenewell, a general practitioner.
Dr. Kenewell is a bit of a rebel in
Michigan in that he is perhaps, and to
his knowledge the only, doctor who is
actually taking advantage of the new
laws that were passed more than a year
ago and is actively writing prescriptions
for medical marijuana to needy
patients.

Dr. Kenewell started his presentation by stating that as a general practitioner he has a duty to act within the best interests of his patients and that he strictly follows this as his policy. What got him started was all the questions he was receiving from patients about medical marijuana coming on the heels of the passage of legalizing the same as a result of the November 2008 election. He did some research on the subject and felt that science strongly backed up claims about how effective medical marijuana was as a painkiller.

Now the doctor explained this as to how it attached certain things attached to gene and cell receptors, but I am sure only Carl Becker knew what he was actually talking about, so I am not going to even attempt to write all of it out, but let me say that it sounded like sound science to me.

Delving into the history of marijuana, that has been used for medicinal purposes for at least 5,000 years. Its use in the U.S. was abruptly stopped about 70 years ago with the passage of the Marijuana Tax Act of 1937. This law required that all marijuana sold in the U.S. would require a tax stamp. To this day, a tax stamp has never been issued. In effect, it has made it a federal crime to have marijuana. This is still the federal law even though several states

are changing their laws, in particular, as respects medicinal marijuana. This law was started through Congress at the height of Prohibition when it became clear the prohibition of alcohol was not going to last, Congress was hoping to avoid a similar problem with marijuana before its use could become widespread.

There is little doubting that this was passed by painting a dishonest picture of what marijuana was and what its effects were. The base element of marijuana that causes both the buzz and gives it is medicinal quality is THC as it is the THC that actually works on the receptors.

Dr. Kenewell, pointed out that the groups that are pushing for the legalization of marijuana such as NORML (being the most popular), are often regarded as freaks, but the message that they are sending really does make sense. They really show how propaganda used in the past to vilify marijuana was really misleading. For instance, many people even today still feel that one could overdose from too much THC as this was one of the early scare tactics employed by the government in passing the tax act. This is not true. It is impossible to overdose on THC. Another popular myth at this time is that it is a gateway drug, this has also been proven to be a fallacy. And there is . . . Oh I'm sorry, Shane Brown's phone just rang, I got distracted and missed something there (HINT, HINT)

Evidence has shown that in states that have passed legislation for legalization, they have actually seen decreases in both use of alcohol, street drug and marijuana usage. The latter due to it no longer being cool to use, as it is so readily available.

This pretty much concluded the presentation, but many great questions were asked. One was the way in which it must be taken noking anything is not a healthy

as smoking anything is not a healthy pursuit. While there is not really a pill to take, people can use vaporizers. What this does is it heats the plant to just below its flashpoint, this causes the THC to release from the plant where it is collected into a vessel of some sort and inhaled without any of the harmful carcinogens. There are also ways of making topicals and to render butter so that it can be baked into anything that would require butter and then consumed.

Another concern was the cost to patients as all of the insurance companies have made clear that they won't cover the costs for it. The bill included a provision allowing patients to grow their own which would significantly control costs.

In terms of availability, if the patient does not grow their own, growers may register as caregivers who may grow and supply patients; although such must be done indoors and in a locked environment. There is currently a case going through the courts right now with a caregiver who was arrested for growing outdoors. It should be interesting to see what happens with that. My suspicion was confirmed that no taxes were being collected on this activity, which Dr. Kenewell says has been estimated at about \$24 billion nationwide. I guess it is a good thing the government doesn't need any money.

The winner of the 50/50 was not Cecilia Moloney.



12/20 DELPHINE (CARL) BECKER

12/22 DAVE (SUE) DIENER

12/22 DIANE (KEN) KISH

12/20 BOB CANNON

12/24 ALLAN NESS

12/26 JIM (MARY) SPAULDING

12/26 LISA (PAUL) WOODRING

12/30 DON GREEN

12/30 MICHAEL O'CONNOR

12/31 CHRISTINE LATOUR

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

01/02 Don & Carol Torline (42)

01/14 JULIE & JAMES HUTTENLOCHER (14)

01/07 GLENN & TERRI BURTON (15)

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On January 20, Rotarians made good on their loss to the Kiwanis club. A bet was made over the holidays as to which club could raise the most money in two days, ringing the bell for the Salvation Army, outside the doors of Walmart. The Kiwanis club won by collecting \$600 more than the Rotarians. The Salvation Army exceeded their expectations this holiday season by collecting more than \$400,000 in Macomb County. Jeff Furest, Sarah Lee-Ellena, Nancy Dedenbach, Julie Huttenlocher, Shane Brown, Frank Bernabei, and Kris Miele were the only



Rotarians on hand to serve lunch to the Kiwanis at their Wednesday meeting, as per the bet.

ur January 14 meeting was held at the beautiful Clinton Macomb Public Library.

Not only is it a beautiful location, but it includes free parking. We were led in prayer by **Lori Wright**. Lunch was a real treat as it was catered by Zuccaro's and included a lot of Mark's specialties, mostaccioli, chicken piccata (I think) and a fresh salad with his incredible ranch dressing. Being all you can eat, it was a real treat for me. I contained myself to one serving, but it was a real balancing act in delivering my heaping plate to my table without dropping the rolls that were precariously perched atop.

Jeff Furest announced a membership meeting at his house next Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Jeff also mentioned that Larry Powe, of the Detroit club and formerly of our club, was rounding up a relief effort for the people of Haiti. People interested should email to angelacj78@netscape.net

Guests were introduced by Maryann Hosey

Debby Ternullo - guest of **Steve Ternullo**; Larry Moloney - guest of **Cecilia Moloney**; Mike Krause - Warren Rotarian and guest of the club; Bill Young - Warren Rotarian, past district governor

Flowers

Jeff Furest bought a flower for **Kris Miele** for making us such a wonderful meal at the board meeting at her house on Monday. **Dick Pierson** bought a flower for **Valerie Miller**.

Songs

Maryann Hosey led us in songs this week. As it was a beautiful sunny day, she chose the song "Smiles" which only added to the happy mood the sun seems to elicit. She wrapped things up with "Roll Rotary.

Rotary serves lunch to Kiwanis













Announcements

- Mike Krause from the Warren club thanked our club for the donation of \$1,250 we put toward the shipment of medical supplies going to Belize. He also presented an excellent community service opportunity by inviting us to assist in the packaging of these items on Saturday, January 30. This will take place at 11745 Rosa Parks Blvd. in Detroit (48206) from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Anyone interested should RSVP to Mike at (248)476-5778 or at mikek@krausebenefits.com
- **Eric Pierson** (not used to referring to myself in the third person) announced that we will be having the community meal at Zion on **Sunday**, **January 31**. We will be providing meals for homeless people. We will need about 12 people to help out and people interested should plan on being available from 11:30 a.m. until about 3 p.m. More details on this event will follow.



Recognition by Ken Kish

en started out by fining **Bob Cannon**, although I missed why. He then got **Neil Dempsey** as it was brought out that his son had been creating commercials out on the west coast. This appropriately cost him \$4.99. **Bill Furest** was fined \$4.99 for his lobbying efforts for the NRA. He did this by sending out emails about how proposed legislation threatens our second amendment rights. He maintains that \$4.99 is worth it. I completely agree. **Cecilia Moloney** got fined as it was pointed out that her husband Larry had shaved his mustache and Cecilia had admitted that she didn't notice it.

The winner of the 50/50 was not Bill Furest.



BIRTHDAYS

- 1/11 NANCY DEDENBACH
- 1/11 WILLIAM FUREST JR.
- 1/12 Terri (Glenn) Burton
- 1/13 BARBARA (NEIL) DEMPSEY
- 1/13 AMY (E.J.) ROZEK
- 1/14 KOLBY MILLER

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

1/13 VALERIE & DENNIS MILLER (5)

CLUB ANNIVERSARY

DONALD TORLINE (13)

Presentation

ur speaker today was someone we are all familiar with, Art Mullen. Art spoke about his trip to China in early December with the Macomb County Trade Delegation. The goals of this trip included establishing connections with China, encouraging investment within Macomb County, building opportunities for Macomb County businesses to invest in China and to initiate long-term China development efforts. The delegation was made up of a group of 20 people that included, governmental, educational and business representatives.

Art confirmed what a lot of us have suspected for quite some time that the Chinese are coming. Estimates show that by 2015, China will have the largest GDP. This growth is amazing when you think about the fact that this growth has been accomplished primarily in the last thirty years.

Prior to this trip the delegates were required to attend four pre-trip training sessions. These sessions were meant to apprise people of Chinese business culture, history of the people, living and doing business in China and about what can be discussed in regard to politics. It was interesting to find out that most business in China interesting to find out that the china interesting the china interesting to find out the china inte

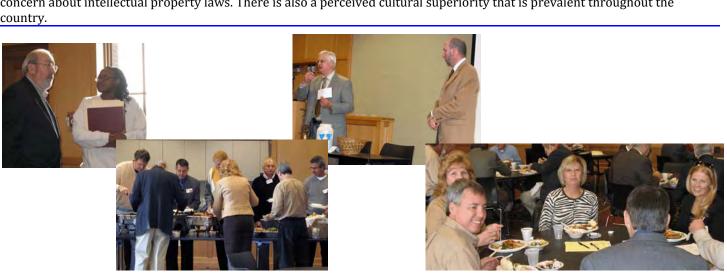
in China is conducted around the dinner table and that the seating arrangement is carefully orchestrated so that the most important people are closest together. These are set up like meetings instead of dinners. Many political topics are completely off limits, examples include, Tibet or the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Art related how the trip was a lot of work and that they had been in and out of meetings every day and all day. They did, however find a little time to do some touristy things. They got to see Tiananmen Square. Art had pointed out that it is funny how a place that is so infamous on an international scale was mostly a nonevent in China due to its successful censorship policies. In fact, not many people know the event even took place. They also visited the Forbidden City where Art was surprised to see that most visitors were Chinese. Along with the Great Wall and the Temple of Heaven they also visited what is called a Hutong. These are villages that have existed for between 400 and 500 years in a similar fashion as they exist today.

Among the lessons learned from this trip were that: you really needed to visit to see the transformations underway, that several trips are necessary to establish connections as there is a huge cultural disconnect, that Macomb County Schools should provide their students classes in mandarin Chinese and that there are tremendous opportunities for both countries.

Speaking of opportunities in China, nearly 20 percent of Chinese students were studying in the U.S. in 2008, English language learning is mandatory in China, and they are experiencing a huge growth in their middle and upper economic classes. Mount Clemens provides an opportunity in that it is close to both Baker and Macomb colleges, has a diversity of housing stock, a walkable downtown and is well connected to public transport.

Things to remember about China include that it is a one-party system, it has huge cash reserves, and has an ability to implement major development projects rapidly. They also remain extremely competitive with low wages and very little concern about intellectual property laws. There is also a perceived cultural superiority that is prevalent throughout the country.





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ur meeting started on a somber note as it was announced that **Marty Rubin's** wife, Bertha, had passed away. We ask that everyone please pray for Marty at this difficult time.



The prayer was given by **John Walendowski** in which he acknowledged the spaghetti lunch that was about to follow by asking for divine intervention in keeping every Rotarian's clothing free from spaghetti stains. To my knowledge it worked as no one was pointed out for having any stains. The Lord doth work in mysterious ways.

Although it was announced last week, as the Haitians are still in need of relief, I wanted to reiterate that Larry Powe, of the Detroit club and formerly of our club, was rounding up a relief effort for the people of Haiti. People interested should email to angelacj78@netscape.net

On the bright side of things, several of our fellow Rotarians pitched in to pay back our end of the bet with the Mount Clemens Kiwanis. At first it was claimed that we lost by a few thousand dollars, it turns out we only lost by about \$600. The wager meant that we needed to serve them lunch at one of their meetings. This was done yesterday and as a final satisfaction, our president Jeff Furest, had the pleasure of winning what was their highest 50/50 purse ever.

It was also announced that there will be a District 6380 Interact event on January 30 between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Anyone interested should both inquire and reserve on the district's Web site.

Guest ~ Jim Hopkinson - guest of **Phil Groh** and **Scott Davis**

Flowers ~ **Bob Lee** bought a flower for **Sarah Lee-Ellena** for taking him in after his surgery. **Kris Miele** bought one for **Terri Le Clair. Bill Furest** bought one for **Nancy Dedenbach** because she missed his birthday and Nancy likewise bought one for Bill for the same reason. **Bob Selwa** bought a flower for the granddaughter of President Roosevelt's budget director, **Dana Casson**. Although it was not stipulated which Roosevelt, the people with whom I was sitting decided it must be Franklin.

Songs ~ "Be Kind to Your Web-Footed Friend" and "R-O-T-A-R-Y."

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- Ray Glime announced that the MLK dinner was a success and that all Rotarians who attended had a great time.
- John Walendowski announced that Kingdom Train had donated a house in Detroit to a needy family.

Recognition by Ken Kish

en started out by fining everyone sitting at the head table because of **Jeff Furest's** 50/50 win at the Kiwanis meeting. **Bob Randolph, Don Miller, Frank Bernabei, Dave Gerlach, Mike O'Connor and Jack Hart** were all fined \$1 for showing up for last week's Rotary meeting at the wrong location. I guess I know six people who are not reading this bulletin each week.

Sarah Lee-Ellena was fined a \$3 finder's fee for her red blazer that mysteriously ended up hanging up in Zion when she apparently left it at **Dick and Lois Pierson's** house during the last fundraiser meeting.

Bob Selwa was fined \$5 for trying to sell books for his former boss. **Nancy Dedenbach** was fined \$3 for her haircut, but was abused all meeting over the same. **Steve Ternullo** was fined \$4.99 for two pictures of his wife. The one picture was of Debbie standing next to Steve, but the other one was of Debbie hugging **Don Carnaghi**.

Carl Becker was fined \$4.99 for a happening that took place at "Menopause, the Musical." As Ken relayed that he and Carl were the only guys at the performance, apparently one of the actresses took a liking to Carl and jumped onto his lap for a brief moment. As she left him, she made a motion that she wanted Carl to call her. What a stud!

Presentation

oday's presentation was both a tribute to Hugh VandeWalker and a remembrance to the Easter Seals and was put on by both **Phil Groh and Rolf Schroeter**.

Hugh VandeWalker was born in 1876 and arrived in Ypsilanti in 1900. Although he arrived to take advantage of the mineral baths then in existence, he continued to make it his home for the entirety of his life. Mr. VandeWalker became the president of the Ypsilanti Rotary club in 1917. He was deeply interested in helping crippled children and became friends with Dr. Carl Badgeley of University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

As Rotary District Governor he acted on a request from the Ann Arbor club to do more to help educate crippled children in a joint program with the Ann Arbor club and the University Hospital. This eventually led to appeals to the state government which ultimately led to the establishment of the Michigan Crippled Children's Commission in 1927. Mr. VandeWalker left the commission in 1940 after thengovernor, Lauren Dickinson cut the commission's budget by 30%.

Mr. VandeWalker then went on to be the chairman of the March of Dimes serving the educational and research needs of polio victims. As district governor, Mr. VandeWalker granted our club its charter on May 4, 1920 and stressed the importance of helping crippled children, a legacy that exists still today.

Concluding our presentation was Rolf Schroeter who talked about his memories of his father and both his and his father's involvement in Easter Seals when he was a child. Rolf's father Baron Schroeter became a member of the Roseville Rotary Club in 1968 and was instrumental in Easter Seals and helping crippled children.

BIRTHDAYS 1/27 ROBERT LEE 1/28 CAROL (DON) TORLINE

CLUB ANNIVERSARY WILLIAM LEE (53)



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Events hosted by other clubs under the "Local Club Events" section (look for balloons) District 6380 Conference April 30 - May 2, Dearborn Inn, Dearborn

Rotary International Convention June 20 - 23, Montreal, Quebec see www.rotary.org

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Minutes by Mark Zuccaro

he January 28 meeting got started on time by **President-Elect Sarah Lee-Ellena**. **Mike O'Connor** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by **Lori Wright** of The Salvation Army in her blessing. The wonderful folks of the Zion church served up baked ham with pineapple chunks, delicious scalloped potatoes and fresh green beans.

Sarah made a special announcement about **Fred Duemling** and his many years of dedication to the
Special Olympics. Through the efforts of the Wertz
Warriors, Fred and his fellow snowmobile riders have
helped support annually about a 1,000 special
Olympians with time and money. On behalf of the club,
Sarah presented Fred with a generous donation for his
cause.



Val Miller also made an announcement regarding 20 different "themed baskets" for the Spring-Zing fundraiser. Members who are captains of certain baskets are in need of support by fellow Rotarians who are not yet committed to one. Also raffle tickets will not be apart of this year's fundraiser. With this in mind, the club needs 100 percent participation in the baskets by all members.

Bob Baker spoke on behalf of the Clinton Township Sunrise Rotary Club. Their club is again participating in the Parisian Community Day Event at Partridge Creek on Feb. 27. They are selling coupon booklets for \$5, which include a \$10 off coupon to be used on items of \$10 or more, six 20 percent off coupons and one 30 percent off "early bird" coupon, good from 7-10 a.m. on the day of the sale. Coupons are good on regular and sale priced merchandise. There are also "Bonus buys" - special offers that have been created to enhance Community Day. A new feature this year is "Buy more, save more on cosmetics." The deal is \$5 off a purchase of \$50, \$10 off \$75, and \$15 off \$100 (or more). Customers must have the coupon booklet to get the special offers. These booklets make great Valentine gifts for your significant other, or for the staffs in your offices. Please contact Margo Baker at 586-465-6988 or Bob Baker at the meeting to get your booklets.

Ray Glime gave us hilarious one-liners from famous coaches - they were all too good to remember.

Julie Huttenlocher, along with Jennifer Gale on piano, lead us in song with "This Is My Country" and "Rotary, My Rotary."

Mary Ann Hosey had the honor of introducing our guests. **Jamie Fitzpatrick** brought Paul Deliso and Chris Goulant was a guest of the club. The guest speakers were Laura Ocelnik and Karen Holsinger.

Bob Morris was this week's flower salesman. The freebie flowers went to **Don Torline** for his wife's birthday and **Bill Lee** for his club anniversary. Julie welcomed back **Nancy Dedenbach** with a flower. **Phil Groh** felt generous and gave both speakers and Fred a flower. Mary Ann wished **Bob Cannon** luck for his next day "State of the Township" presentation. Jamie purchased a flower for her guest Paul Deliso. Ray Glime thanked **Joe Peruzzi** for his many favors.

en Kish, prior to his recognition program, asked for any special announcements.

Eric Pierson informed us of this Sunday's community feeding at the Zion Church. Volunteers for the feeding of the homeless don't need to be there until 11:30/12:00.

Arthur Mullen spoke of a chili cook-off by Mount Clemens restaurants to benefit the YMCA and Turning Point. The event is Thursday at 6:30 in the downtown area. He also was looking for sponsors of ice carvings for the show on February 5-7.

Recognition started off with **Don Torline**, the MC of the Martin Luther King Jr. dinner, for his "service above self" speech. **Don Miller** was fined for photos of his wife. **Frank McNelis** wrote an editorial for the paper about nativity scenes, which warranted some recognition. **Mary Ann** was also fined for photos of her. Don Torline and **Bob Cannon** teamed up and spoke about the proposed movie studio to be built near the court offices. Baker College is offering an educational facility to support this project. Lastly, **Eric Pierson** helped Ken draw attention to myself, in regard to me writing January's bulletins, or more importantly, the lack of it. (Thanks for the Mafia tube)

hil Groh introduced Karen Holsinger and Laura Ocelnik as the guest speakers. They both work for Mary Kay Cosmetics and have a passion for giving and supporting Turning Point,



an organization to help battered women and children. There service project is to present every woman of Turning Point a cosmetic case of Mary Kay products. The compact cases consist of lipstick, lip gloss and other makeup products. The purpose is to help these women feel good and strong about themselves so they may be able to cope and deal with domestic violence. Mary Kay Cosmetic's goal in this project is to provide a "life preserver for life." Their foundation also provides funds for five shelters in Michigan and continues to create an awareness of domestic violence in our community. Next week they will have a display set up by the check-in table. Any members interested in giving to their cause may do so by writing a check to them.

The 50/50 winner of \$41 was one of our favorite Irishmen, **Frank McNelis.**



Birthdays 1/27 Robert Lee 1/28 Carol (Don) Torline Club Anniversary William Lee (53)

SEE <u>www.rotary6380.org</u>

EVENTS HOSTED BY OTHER CLUBS UNDER THE LOCAL CLUB EVENTS SECTION (LOOK FOR BALLOONS)
DISTRICT 6380 CONFERENCE, APRIL 30 - MAY 2, DEARBORN INN, DEARBORN
SEE WWW.ROTARY.ORG

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, JUNE 20 - 23, MONTREAL, QUEBEC

Jeffrey Furest
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Sarah Lee-Ellena
First Vice President/President-Elect
Eric Pierson
Second Vice President/
President Nominee

Julie Huttenlocher
Treasurer
Penny Schulwitz
Secretary
Nancy Dedenbach
Immediate Past President

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Kristine Miele & Rolf Schroeter (*one* year) Jessica Stone & John Walendowski (*two years*)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS Birthdays & Flowers Lynn Davidson

Boat Outing ~ Valerie Miller **Bulletin** ~ Eric Pierson **Community Projects**

Eric Pierson

Fund-Raising ~ Sarah Lee-Ellena

House ~ Jessica Stone

House Committee Assistants

John Hart, Don Torline, Ray Hofner, Cecilia Moloney, Bob Randolph



COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Music ~ Bob Selwa
Membership ~ John Walendowski
Public Relations
Nancy Dedenbach
Recognition ~ Julie Huttenlocher
RI Foundation Development
Jeff Furest & Bob Baker
RI Liaison ~ Rolf Schroeter
Speakers Program
Kristine Miele & Sarah Lee-Ellena

Wheelchair Project ~ Larry Neal

Mount Clemens Rotary Club 2992 of Rotary District 6380 of Rotary International Meets 12:15 p.m. Thursday at Zion United Church of Christ Serving the community since 1920 (586)468-2000 schfam94@yahoo.com View your newsletter online at www.mountclemensrotary.org District 6380 newsletter is posted at www.rotary6380.org Announcements & bulletin submissions lindamay@ameritech.net (586) 791-8116 phone/fax

February 4, 2010 The Spokesperson Minutes by Larry Neal ~ Photos submitted by Eric Pierson

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

2/11 ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION MEMBERSHIP GUIDEBOOK
JEFF FUREST / JOHN WALENDOWSKI
2/18 (KRIS MIELE) BARBARA DAVID IRLEN SYNDROME / SCOTOPIC

2/18 (KRIS MIELE) BARBARA DAVID IRLEN SYNDROME / SCOTOPIC SENSITIVITY

2/25 (KRIS MIELE) DR. KARI HORTOS STATUS OF MSU MEDICAL SCHOOL MACOMB CAMPUS

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5/16

Spring Zing - An Awesome and Engaging Experience for the Senses Taste-fest and Auction Zuccaro's Country House

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From Eric Pierson: On January 31 we hosted the community meal at Zion. It was a great success as we fed 87 homeless people in the community a wonderful meal of lasagna, green beans, roll and salad. A good time was had by all that attended the event. Thanks to all Rotarians and their family members who pitched in their time and efforts for this great cause.

President Jeff Furest called the meeting to order at 12:15. **Bob Cannon** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and national anthem while **Jennifer Gale** accompanied on the piano. **Tom Davies** led the prayer. The dedicated Zion team delivered a hearty meal of cottage cheese with peaches, barbecued chicken, corn, baked potatoes and rainbow sherbet.

Jeff Furest indicated that several generous donations had been made for the ShelterBox project at this time of great need for the people of Haiti. He announced that several local organizations would benefit from the club's "Spring Zing" fund-raiser scheduled for May 16 including: ALS-TDI, Mount Clemens Regional Medical Center Mobile Medical Unit, Henry Ford Macomb Hospital Critical Care Unit, Baker College, Macomb Literacy Partners and the United Way. The goal is to raise \$50,000.

Scott Davis conducted the club in an abridged version of "This Land Is Your Land" and "Sing Rotarians" to the tune of "On Wisconsin."

Terri LeClair introduced our guests: Tom Hakim and Bob DeSalvio guests of **Bob Cannon**; Carlo Santia, Alex Greene, and Brent Chartier, speakers; and Tim Adriaens guest of **Rolf Schroeter**.

Bill Patterson was on flower duty. With the absence of several members Bill had a bouquet to unload and did as follows: Bob Morris for Neil Dempsey for driving him on a regular basis to Rotary; Jeff Furest for Val Miller for her help given to Penny; Dick Pierson for Sarah Lee-Ellena for her efforts on the fund-raiser; Bob Cannon to Eric Pierson for his leadership; Eric Pierson for Mark Zuccaro. Bill Lee indicated that he was "owed" a flower from the week before in recognition of his 53-year anniversary as a member of the club.

Recognition duty was handled by **Bob Leslie**. There were several announcements:

Eric Pierson thanked several members of the club for their assistance in feeding 87 homeless guests. Bob Baker encouraged members to sign up for the Rotary District 6380 Foundation Gala on February 18, at the Dearborn Inn. The keynote speaker is Mike McCullough, PDG and former RI director. Registration is available on the district Web site and is \$35. The Clinton Township Sunrise Club is having a fund-raiser with \$10 coupons to Parisian available for \$5. Valerie Miller reminded everyone that it's time to work on baskets for the fund-raiser. She had several baskets to distribute to team leaders. Phil Groh indicated that Karen Holsinger from Turning Point will have a display at the March 4 club meeting rather than the February 4 meeting as reported in last week's spokesperson. **Ieff Furest** reminded members of the Rotary board that the next meeting will be on Monday, February 8, at **Jessica Stone**'s office. **Kris Miele** is delighted that her daughter will be returning after an extensive visit to Thailand.

Recognition started with **Bob Leslie** asking all Clinton Township employees in the room to stand. It appears that the electronic sign at 14 Mile and Gratiot is trying to keep people traveling through the township's DDA in a shopping mood by wishing them, "Merry Christmas." Bill Patterson was recognized as the "best dressed Rotarian" with his especially spiffy tie. Cecilia Moloney was honored as the longest standing member of the Chamber of Commerce. **Don Torline** was stumped about the big ice carving event next weekend. Everyone with a vested interest in the Super Bowl was asked to put their money on a sure bet — Rotary. A well-tanned **Tom Davies** was unable to sneak by undetected after a trip to Aruba and Curação. Glenn **Burton** was recognized on behalf of his father, one of the "best patent attorneys in Southeast Michigan." Dick Pierson went all the way to Puerto Vallarta to check up on fellow member Iim Haselwood. By a vote of the majority present, Bill Lee was asked to pony up for the flower he felt he was due because of his absence last week.

PROGRAM

Bob Cannon started the program giving an overview of Vanir Entertainment's new film production studio coming to Clinton Township. The new studio will be located on Groesbeck near the district court and will offer a one-of-akind concept green screen dome. In addition, through a close partnership with Baker College, career-track degreed programs will be offered giving students hands-on experience and skills in film production. This is another wonderful jewel for Clinton Township. Bob introduced Carlo Santia, Director of Planning and Community Development for Clinton Township.

Mr. Santia briefly discussed the process required to make the project happen, which will include rezoning from multi-family to light industrial and then approval of the site plan. Ground breaking could take place as early as spring. He discussed the economic development that will occur from this project, not only in badly needed construction jobs but on an ongoing basis directly and indirectly. Mr. Santia introduced producer Alex Greene and Brent Chartier. Mr. Greene is a resident of Macomb Township and has been in film production since 1997. He produced "My Bedbugs" for PBS and has 13 Emmys and 12 Tellys. He has produced the series, "Social Graces" and "Misery Luvs Company." Currently he is working on the made for television movie, "The Gifting."

Mr. Chartier discussed the innovative spirit that drives Michigan and Vanir Entertainment. The proposed green screen dome, covering 20,000 square feet, and rising 40' at its highest point, is anticipated to revolutionize the film industry through cost and labor savings. The entire dome will be enclosed in a building to eliminate external noise from entering during filming. There will also be two film/TV/sound states and several classrooms for Baker College. Mobile production studio docking bays will allow for efficient onsite filming on demand. The building will be LEED certified with the goal of minimizing its impact on the environment. The multi-million-dollar project will likely consist of two phases.

This is a shining example of the diversified economy that Michigan needs for the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Dave Meldrum won the 50/50 raffle worth \$35.













P.O. Box 621, Mount Clemens, MI 48046-0621

Dear Rotarians:

Thursday's February 11, 2010 meeting marked an important turning point of our Club – setting long term goals to achieve highly defined results of growth and retention, and outreach in our community. I would like to thank all of you for your keen interest and attention during its Round Table presentation by the Strategic Planning Membership Committee.

I have attached the final draft of the "Membership Guidebook of Excellence" for your preview, and it is presented in the same format as in the meeting with core items highlighted for emphasis. As mentioned in the meeting, this is the second phase of our Clubs year long effort in Strategic Planning; the first element focused on leadership with the creation of the "Executive Committee and Board Guidebook of Excellence".

As is the case with this Membership Guide, the first of its kind Board Guide sets the standards of leadership and operations for your Club's Board in perpetuity; I encourage you to go to our web site www.mountclemensrotary.org/club-info.php to review this document first so as to give you perspective of how the Membership Guide was developed. If our generational Board's are not held to standards, there is little that can be done to hold our Membership to standards that would achieve the goals and results that we have set.

As indicated in our presentation, a whole year in the making has lead to this near final publication, and I personally thank all of the Committee Members for there tireless efforts. The elements in the Guide are the result of a broad representation of the Membership that identified obstacles, created definitions and solutions and implemented systems to ensure that our Membership will prosper in perpetuity as well. As such, the elements of the Guide are *permanent in their nature* as adopted and may only be modified under very strict controls to insure stability.

I cannot stress enough *that this is your Guide towards excellence in all we do!* Rather than have the current fiscal year Board adopt its passage, it is being presented to the Membership for comment and subsequent ratification. You are kindly asked to print this document, review it, write your comments and suggestions on the document, including items that you think you would like to add. **Please turn in your hard copy on Thursday's meeting February 18, 2010.** The Strategic Planning Membership Committee will review all of the feedback, make appropriate adjustments it determines that are relevant, and a final publication will be **presented for ratification by the Membership on Thursday February 25, 2010** with Board acceptance at its regular March meeting.

A Rotarian close to my heart said it best that is emphasized in the Guide – *Share the Rotary Experience!* Learn it, Love it, Live it!

Yours in Rotary,

Jeffrey C. Furest President



The Rotary Club of Mount Clemens

-Truth, Fairness, Goodwill, Beneficial-

Membership Guidebook of Excellence

Information, Rules and Guidance

Meeting Time
Thursdays, 12:15 – 1:30 PM
Zion United Church of Christ
85 Market Street, Mount Clemens, MI 48043

www.MountClemensRotary.org

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(THIS IS A DRAFT - For presentation to a recipient, it will be placed in clear jacket folder or similar binder)

Welcome to Rotary!

Founded in 1920 by a group of 24 Mount Clemens businessmen, the objective of the Club was to promote and foster community based initiative's beginning with the Boy Scouts of America, the establishment of Camp Rotary part of the Wolcott Mill heritage site, and in later years The March of Dimes. It was the March of Dimes effort that was the precursor for the Club to join in the world wide fight to eradicate polio from the face of the earth, thru Rotary International's Polio Plus Campaign.

Today, the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens boasts in excess of 80 dedicated men and women in supporting international and local community organizations that are involved in areas of improving health, water, education and eliminating abuse, particularly for children and those in third world countries. Our annual fundraising activities support these organizations and others:

Macomb Literacy	POHI	Care House	Habitat for Humanity
Baker College	St. Joseph M	ercy Hospital	Henry Ford Macomb Hospital
Polio Plus	World Peace	Fellows	Mt. Clemens Regional Hospital
Internation	al Wheelchair	Rotary International Foundation	

As a Rotarian you join together with like minded community leaders serving the needs of our community and world neighbors in the fight to eradicate illiteracy, hunger and thirst and to promote mobility, knowledge and peace. *Let our Club help you develop your philanthropic passion!*

Service Above Self

The Objective of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service
- High ethical standards in business and professions, recognition of worthiness for professions and dignifying each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve
- The application of ideal service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

Based on the objective of Rotary, Clubs such as the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens focus on the avenues of service, namely: Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service and International Service.

Guidebook Creation

This Guidebook (Guide) has been created and ratified by the Membership ("the Membership") of the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens, MI ("the Club), and formally adopted by the Club Board of Directors to provide guidance to the Club Membership as a whole. It contains pertinent information, rules, regulations and requirements of the Membership and coordinates Club Board Committees in the governance of the Club and its members.

Much of the guidance for the Membership will be derived from updated Rotary International (RI) rules and regulations; this document contains the specific guidance to the Membership based on the Club's history, social and financial demographics:

- Generational Boards and the Membership are specifically directed not to discard this Guide for any reason. It has been formally ratified by the membership per Club By-Laws and adopted by the Board and is designed to provide guidance in perpetuity.
- Any fundamental changes to this Guide should be based on current social, economic or other Club operational factors affecting the Club at the time they occur. Periodic operational updates may be made from time to time by the Club Board of Directors as necessary.
- Any changes to this Guide require formal discussion by the Membership including ratification along with Board approval, requiring 100% participation of Board members and a two thirds (2/3) majority vote to make such changes.

Guidebook Purpose

The purpose of this Guide is to effectively communicate the policies and procedures required of Club members to achieve long term growth for our Club:

- 1. Self Sustaining, Self Perpetuating in Membership
- 2. Five (5) Percent Annual Membership Increases
- 3. Branded as THE #1 SERVICE CLUB PERIOD!

As a Guide, it integrates yearly measurable goals that the Membership, Club Board and Board Committees can effectively strive to achieve:

- 1. Membership Growth
 - Attain 110 Members
 - Sustained Within 10 Years
- 2. Membership Retention
 - Acceptable Attrition Rate 2% Per Year
- 3. Marketing and Public Relations Programs
 - Effective Internet and Social Media Use
 - Effective Direct Contact
 - Effective Public Exposure

Membership Starts With Service!

Service and commitment by all Members is the key to successful growth and retention of our Club. You are expected to be involved in your Club and in our community. Ask "How can I be of Service?" for our creed is "He who serves most serves BEST!"

Service of Members is coordinated by Club Committees. These Committees that you will be assigned to are coordinated by the Club President and Board of Directors. The Committees include House Operations, Public Relations and Marketing but the <u>most important committee is the Membership Committee!</u>

The Membership Committee:

The Membership Committee, chaired by a Member of the Board of Directors, is responsible for implementation of membership recruiting programs developed by the Committee itself or the Membership at large, as approved by the Board.

The Membership Committee works hand in hand with the Operations Committee and Public Relations Committee to ensure coordination of strategic initiatives in marketing the Club to the public, recruiting of new members and the application of certain new member requirements established for the Club.

Share the Rotary Experience!

The more active and involved you are in our Club the more impact you have in achieving our goals and results, which extends beyond the boundaries of Membership especially in helping our community and the world at large thru select charitable projects.

As a Member of the Club, it is one of your duties to support the Membership Committee to actively recruit new members, and this can be done in a number of ways:

- Invite a friend, business colleague or relative to a regular weekly meeting!
- Invite them to one of our special functions such as our annual fundraiser or a community project!
- Participate in membership recruiting activities the Club conducts
 - Club Marketing and Branding Activities
 - o Community Fairs
 - Business Fairs

By far the most effective method of recruitment is inviting someone to attend a meeting in the hope that his or her philanthropic desires find an outlet to be developed. When inviting a guest to a meeting, please follow these simple steps to make the experience an enjoyable one for you and your guest:

- Please try to notify the Club Membership Chair a few days in advance that you are bringing a guest to a meeting. This will ensure that a warm welcome is ready for your guest.
- Instruct your guest to arrive at least 15 minutes early to sign them in, obtain a name badge and meet the Membership Chair or other committee greeters for the day.
- As a member bringing a guest, you have priority seating for the meeting and it is recommended that you sit as close to the front of the meeting room for easy welcome recognition by the President or meeting Chair and the Club at large

Some other items regarding guests:

- You are responsible for your guest's lunch and gratuities during the meeting at the cost determined at that time of attendance (Please visit the Clubs website for Committee Chair contact information and meeting cost information).
- If the guest is a potential member, the Club is responsible for the lunch cost of the guest until membership acceptance, typically for three meetings as set by Rotary International and adapted Club Rules (please see "New Member Procedures").

New Member Procedures:

Rotary International has a long history of integrating both public and private sector occupations into its organization insuring that the good works of Rotary are promoted in the best possible way. The most important way this is accomplished is by applying THE most significant value statement Rotarians live by – The Four Way Test:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICAL to all concerned?

Being a Member of our Club is not about paying money to attend a "social lunch hour" - it's about being involved at a much higher level within our community and our world, and The Four Way Test ensures that as individuals we are accountable for our commitments.

The Membership process itself is the first commitment test that requires the "Member Applicant" to apply for membership in what is called "Classification and Category Acceptance" by the Board of Directors and the Membership at large (Please see RI rules for complete explanation of Category and Classification guidelines):

- A Category is the general occupation(s) that exist for employment such as "Engineering", "Finance", "Medicine", and "Legal" etc.
- A Classification is the specific title or specialty within the Category such as "Civil Engineer", "Financial Advisor", "Dr. of Dentistry" or "Estate Planning Attorney"

- Club Guidelines allow for 15% of our Members to be in a single active Classification in any one Category (subject to Board)
 - o A retired Member in any Classification is exempt from the percentage test.

The Application Procedure for a New Rotarian

The application Procedure starts with a formal Application for Membership submitted to the Club Secretary in which the application is reviewed for proper Category and Classification elections. The application contains general information about the Proposed Member as well as a declaration to abide by Club By-Laws including:

- Commitment to 60% yearly meeting attendance (can be achieved by attending other clubs or thru online meeting and education submissions).
- Adhering to the Clubs financial commitment requirements for fees, dues and other special assessments that may be deemed necessary for Club operations.
- The Proposed Member also receives this Guidebook with instruction by the Proposed Members Sponsor in the general procedures and expectations of the Club (Please see Appendix "New Member/Sponsor Training").

The Proposed Member then must attend 4 out of 5 of the next regular Club meetings after application submission to qualify for Membership Acceptance, this is the Clubs Application Attendance Acceptance requirement based on RI rules of Membership.

Application acceptance by the Board of Directors is then made. Based on the various subemployment classifications that exist, the Board, at its discretion, may modify the Classification to adhere to its Membership Guidelines. After this process, the following notifications are made:

- The General Membership is notified by publication of the Proposed Member by public announcement in a regular meeting and by publication in the Clubs weekly newsletter, or by publication on the Clubs internet web site.
- For applications that have a Classification directly conflicting with an existing Members, the Member is personally notified of the conflict so as to allow for the member to object to the application
- Regardless of Category or Classification applied for, objection to acceptance can only be made on the following criteria:
 - O Moral Character
 - Personal Conduct
 - Business Practices
 - Membership objections must be submitted in writing within two weeks of publication of the Proposed Member. If there are no objections there is an assumed automatic acceptance of the Proposed Member

During this time period as described, the Proposed Member is invited to an orientation with the Sponsor to learn more about RI and our Club requirements and procedures. This also allows the Proposed Member to ask questions and get to know various leaders of the Club.

After the publication process of the Proposed Member, the Board of Directors at a convened meeting approves the acceptance of the Member. The Membership Committee Chair notifies the Member and coordinates the new Members induction with the President of the Club at the next convenient meeting available to initiate the Member into the Club.

This is an important event and the new Member is encouraged to invite family, guests and colleagues to participate. Presented to the Rotarian are the Name Badge, Rotary Four Way Test plaque, RI Identification Card and most importantly, the Rotary Pin. DO NOT LOOSE YOUR PIN, YOU WILL BE FINED! ©

Membership Qualifications, Criteria and Requirements:

Members must have the following qualifications and criteria for being considered for membership acceptance and continuance:

- Should be considered an upstanding member of the community at large, involved in private or public sector employment
- Can be retired from employment with a commitment to the Clubs Service projects and outreach programs
- While there are general RI restrictions for participating in competing clubs (i.e., Kiwanis, Lions) the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens does not restrict such Members from joining or participating providing all of the Club and RI membership requirements are met.
 Specific to multiple club participation, the member:
 - o Is prohibited from recruiting Club members to join other clubs
 - o Cannot compete with RI or Club fundraising initiatives or programs including the sale of merchandise on a continuous basis
 - This includes packaged candies, nuts or other fundraising goods
 - o In this regard, the Member is allowed one announcement a year regarding an event or sale of fundraising merchandise, i.e., Good Fellows News Paper
- Be a member in good standing per RI and Club membership attendance guidelines:
 - o Rotary Club attendance, preferably our Home Club, at 60% meetings per year, this is approximately 26 to 30 meetings a year
 - o Meetings may be made up at other Rotary Clubs or on line thru an "E-Club". (Please see RI or District Guidelines (place web site urls here)
- Must have at least one (1) full year membership in "good standing" to be eligible to run for Board of Directors at large (NOTE: This is a two year commitment)
 - o "Good Standing" is fully paid in membership dues and fees and maintaining at least 60% attendance as described
 - A Rotarian is exempt from the one year requirement if they are a transferring member from another club, in good standing with least one full year of service or with Board service at their previous club.
- Must have at least three (3) full years membership in good standing to run for the
 Executive Committee (Please see the "Board of Directors and Executive Committee
 Guidebook of Excellence" for information about the Board of Directors and Executive
 Committee)
 - A Rotarian is exempt from the three year requirement if they are a transferring member from another club, in good standing with least three full years of service or with Executive Committee service at their previous club.

- o Note: for the Presidency Chairs, this is a four (4) year commitment to preside on the Clubs Board of Directors
- Note: For Board participation, the Member <u>must</u> submit to State and Federal background checks <u>prior</u> to running for election (this coincides with RI requirements for background checks for participation in youth programs thru RI).
 - If criminal activity past or present is discovered, a review process by the Board is required to determine the nature and severity of the discovery, and a determination of whether or not to proceed with the nomination of the potential Board member
- Attend one "Fireside Chat" or get-together per year with Club members. The Board as a whole conducts 10 fireside chats per year with each Board member conducting one per year, each with different subjects.
 - A member of the Executive Committee including the President conducts Fireside Chats with new Club members on a timely basis, to be determined by the President and based on the number of new Rotarians every six months.
- Attend a quarterly membership training session at a regular Club meeting (part of Round Table format conducted by the Club)
- Encouraged to participate in membership growth and retention by assisting the Membership Committee Chair whenever possible
- Encouraged to attend District sanctioned events that RI promotes including; membership summits, Foundation meetings and District Conferences

Club Financial Requirements

A member must abide by Club financial requirements including the timely payment of all fees and dues including any and all ancillary charges to the members account. Ancillary charges may include general assessments applied to Members thru Common Consent votes for specific Club operations:

- All outstanding moneys must be paid in a timely fashion within 30 days of billing.
- After 30 days in delinquency, a 30 day warning letter is given
- If still unpaid, a 60 day warning letter is given, including a termination warning and collection warning
- At 90 days unpaid the member is sent to collections and membership status is reviewed by the Board for continuance or termination from the Club
 - As stipulated in Club and Board Guidelines, there is no waiver for fees and dues except for proven and identifiable financial hardship
 - o For un-collected debts, the Member is subject to RI guidelines for future participation in a Rotary Club

Not withstanding the above, a member may request relief for future dues by requesting a "leave of absence" for a period of up to six (6) months, renewable one time by acceptance of the Board, providing all previous outstanding debt is paid in full. The member is relieved of Club dues but must maintain RI and District dues costs at the time of request to avoid membership termination. Such termination would require the reinitiation process of the member, incurring new initiation fees and dues at that time.

For member charges such as the fundraiser tickets or special events, the members account CANNOT be used as a revolving charge account if there is an outstanding unpaid balance beyond 30 days.

Member Removal Process

The Board, after review of participation violations, shall determine the continuance or removal of the Member subject to Club bylaws and RI rules and regulations. If a Member exceeding the number of allowable absences shows good cause why he/she should be retained, the entire Board may waive removal, contingent upon the Member committing to his or her participation requirements without further default. If said Member later fails to correct the previous Membership violations the member shall be removed.

Additionally, any felony conviction of a Board member requires Board review of the nature and circumstances of the conviction for determination of continuance or removal per RI guidelines.

In all circumstances when considering continuance or removal, the Four Way Test Shall be stated and applied, and such action of decision must be made with 100% Board participation with a 2/3 majority vote.

General Meeting Information and Procedures

Club meetings start promptly on time and end on time! There is usually a full slate of Club announcements and information that is given at each meeting and it is important to be ready at the "ringing of the bell" to start the meeting.

A special aspect for Members is participating in the meeting by leading the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem or providing the meal invocation. Our Members are encouraged to accept the Presidents invitation to participate in these, and for the meal invocation in particular, the Member is free to express their faith if asked to lead the invocation.

Meetings are conducted by the President, but if he or she is unable to chair the weekly meeting, the following order of succession takes place:

- The President-Elect
- The President-Nominee
- The Secretary
- The Treasurer

Head table seating during weekly meetings is generally filled with the following participants:

- The President
- The Guest Speaker and their guests if any
- The Rotarian or Speaker Chair introducing the Guest Speaker

The President has the discretion of asking other Board members to fill the table, or invite a Club Member as the Presidents personal guest for the meeting.

Per Board Guidelines established for the Club, meeting protocol requires the following:

- If you must leave early from the meeting, please approach the head table introduce yourself to the guest speaker and indicate that you will not be able to stay to hear their presentation. *Please do not leave after the speaker has started*.
- For any type of special announcement other than "goodwill" or community events, please clear the announcement with the President. This would include mass email or bulletin announcements to the General Membership.
- For meeting set up requiring extra items such as place settings or ordering extra flowers for recognition, please direct all requests to the Club's Operations Chair. Your Board works hard in controlling costs while maintaining an enjoyable experience. Failure to clear a request thru the Operations Chair will result in those costs being fully billed to the Member.

Rotarian of the Year

The highest honor that is bestowed to a Member of the Club is The Rotarian of the Year.

The Rotarian of the Year Committee is made up of the past three presidents of the Club and meets in April of the fiscal year to determine the recipient of this award. The current fiscal year President may provide suggestions and guidance on specific members/candidates for the award, but may not vote for the recipient.

The committee, during its deliberations, uses the following criteria in selecting the candidate:

- The award is for service or recognition primarily for the <u>previous 12 months</u> of Club service (current fiscal year). Historical or past years' efforts can be considered.
- The award may be given <u>multiple times to the same Club member</u> based on the criteria specified here. Of special note, a member's leave of absence or breaks in service <u>shall</u> <u>not</u> be counted against a candidate for the award provided stated criteria is met.
- The candidate should be a "member in good standing", complying with all Club and RI rules and regulations, including having all fees and dues paid in full at the time of consideration.
 - The committee is <u>duty-bound</u> to confer with the Club's Treasurer and Secretary to verify this information before permanent selection of the recipient.

- The candidate should demonstrate criteria achieved within the fiscal year to be considered:
 - Membership participation in all club activities that are conducted
 - o Participation in Fireside Chats
 - o Community Service, either individually or part of the Club's activities
 - Special Rotary projects or event participation
 - New Rotarian members recruited specifically by their efforts
 - Board of Directors or other committee participation
 - o Paul Harris contributions or other Rotary financial contributions

After a candidate has been selected, the Committee keeps the Members name confidential until presentation of the award at either the Presidents Ball, or at a regular meeting and announced or presented to the Member before the Clubs fiscal year end.

Adoption, Recognition and Continuance

On this	day of	, 2010, the Mount	Clemens Rotary	Board of Dire	ectors form	ally
adopts the	"Membership Gui	debook of Excellence"	as ratified by the	e Club Membe	ership, for t	the
purpose of	providing informa	ation, rules and guidance	ce for its Membe	rs.		

It is further intended that this information is sufficiently specific to be meaningful but sufficiently flexible to be practical in the governance of the Board. Any change in this guide requires 100% participation of Board members and a two thirds (2/3) majority vote to make such changes. Changes contemplated are to be based on current social, economic or other Club operational factors affecting the Club at the time they occur.

The following Board of Directors as indicated with their terms to expire concurs with the stated guidelines contained herein:

Jeffrey Furest Sarah Lee-Ellena Eric Pierson Penny Schulwitz Julie Huttenlocher Nancy Dedenbach Jessica Cheshire John Walendowski Rolf Schroeter Kristine Miele	Title:	President President-Elect President-Nominee Secretary Treasurer Past President Director Director Director Director	Term Ends 6/30/2010 Term Ends 6/30/2011 Term Ends 6/30/2012 Term Ends 6/30/2010 Term Ends 6/30/2010 Term Ends 6/30/2010 Term Ends 6/30/2011 Term Ends 6/30/2011 Term Ends 6/30/2010 Term Ends 6/30/2010 Term Ends 6/30/2010
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FEBRUARY CALENDAR

2/18 (KRIS MIELE)
BARBARA DAVID IRLEN SYNDROME
/ SCOTOPIC SENSITIVITY

2/25 (KRIS MIELE)
DR. KARI HORTOS STATUS OF MSU
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5/16

SPRING ZING - AN AWESOME AND ENGAGING EXPERIENCE FOR THE SENSES TASTE-FEST AND AUCTION ZUCCARO'S COUNTRY HOUSE Minutes by Larry Neal ~~ Photos by Glenn Burton

resident **Jeff Furest** called the meeting to order at 12:15. **Jessica Stone** lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance and national anthem while Jennifer Gale accompanied on the piano. **Don Torline** led the prayer. The menu of the day consisted of applesauce, meatloaf balls and gravy, boiled potatoes, a medley of vegetables and chocolate ice cream.

Jeff Furest reported that Jackie Duemling was doing better. **Jamie Fitzpatrick** has requested a temporary leave of absence as her mother has been diagnosed with a rare form of melanoma. There will be a memorial service for Vicki Kane, wife of former club member Dr. John Kane, at the Saint Louis Catholic Community on Monday, February 15, at 10 a.m. **Bob Lee** is in the hospital. Please keep these members and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Scott Davis led the club in "Rotary, My Rotary."

Terri LeClair introduced our guests: Laura Carnaghi, wife of **Don** and Debbie Ternullo, wife of **Steve.**



Bill Patterson doled out a fine crop of red carnations. Julie
Huttenlocher bought one for "dad" thanks to his help with a stubborn
garage door. Cecilia Moloney bought one for Bill Patterson for cat
help, and Don Carnaghi bought a pair of flowers for our guests. Eric
Pierson bought a flower out of earshot of the minutestaker.













Recognition duty was handled by Bob Leslie

There were several announcements:

- Bob Baker encouraged members to sign up for the Rotary District 6380 Foundation Gala on February 18 at the Dearborn Inn. The keynote speaker is Mike McCullough, PDG and former RI director. Registration is available on the district Web site and is \$35.
- The Clinton Township Sunrise Club is having a fundraiser with \$10 coupons to Parisian available for \$5.
- Don Green encouraged everyone to attend any of the wonderful, free programs at the Lorenzo Cultural Center. The current series of programs centers around the Great Depression which stands in stark contrast even with today's poor economic climate. \$2 for non-Rotary ad.
- Phil Groh proudly announced that his 14-year-old granddaughter received a "1" in solo voice ensemble.
- Arthur Mullen announced that anyone interested in participating in one of the Macomb Cultural Exchange programs to China should contact him for meeting information. Trips are planned for late March, early April and



again next November. The cost to participate in the one-week trips is \$2,600.

rthur Mullen was asked to remain standing because of a photo of last weekend's chili cook-off which raised \$3,500 for the YMCA and Turning Point. For his exceptional work, his \$5 fine was waived and the rest of the table was asked to give a buck in recognition of Art's hard work. ••• Ron Reed was named the "best dressed Rotarian." ••• Julie **Huttenlocher** was asked

to stand and acknowledge





another family member present who lost 60 pounds and who kindly donated 10¢ each for the accomplishment. Way to go, Tom! ••• Bob Selwa was asked to point out a special guy listed in a Wayne State University alumni publication. The guy turned out to be **Ken Kish** who was recognized for keeping *The Macomb Daily* in print seven days a week. \$2. Questions arose regarding the transportation of the day's guests. ••• Valerie Miller transported Laura Carnaghi and Debbie Ternullo to today's meeting. Steve was questioned about why he didn't fork over for a flower for his wife. Given the times, the rest of the table was asked to put in \$1 each. ••• A hobbling Bill **Furest** was asked to explain his condition and proceeded to duplicate the loud dog whistle that caused a collision with his 94-pound black lab. Members at the head table were fined \$1 each. ••• Sarah Lee has been busy with her Facebook page which referenced the family observation that business picks up when the boss is out of town.

Program

ohn Walendowski discussed the development of the draft of the Membership Guidebook of Excellence which was developed as part of the strategic planning process. John turned the meeting over to President **Jeff Furest** who has been leading several initiatives to chart a strong course for the club for the future.

The strategic planning process started over a year ago and has involved dozens of members from a variety of backgrounds and years of membership. This huge undertaking has required 23 meetings and over 1,000 hours of members' time. Jeff encouraged all members to start by reading the Board Guidebook of Excellence available on the Club's Web site (www.mountclemensrotary.org) and then review the draft of the Membership Guidebook.



The purpose of the guidebook is to help clarify the process to recruit and retain members as well as to encourage leadership and mentorship within the club. All members are asked to review the draft and return a marked up copy with any comments or suggestions at next week's meeting.

Several members, including **Don Green** and **Bill Lee** commended Jeff on this well done work and how it will have a positive effect on the club for years to come.



The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

Jack Hart won the 50/50 raffle worth \$57.

BIRTHDAYS

1/27 ROBERT LEE

1/28 CAROL (DON) TORLINE

Club Anniversaries
William Lee (53), Jack Hart (13), Robert Selwa (10)

see www.rotary6380.org

events hosted by other clubs under the Local Club Events section (look for balloons) District 6380 Conference, April 30 - May 2, Dearborn Inn, Dearborn Rotary International Convention, June 20 - 23, Montreal, Quebec ~~ see www.rotary.org

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Minutes by Larry Neal

resident **Jeff Furest** called the meeting to order at 12:15. **Mary Spaulding** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and national anthem while Jennifer Gale accompanied on the piano. **John Walendowski** led the prayer. The menu of the day consisted of coleslaw, sloppy Joes, scalloped potatoes, baked beans and an assortment of iced cakes.

Jeff Furest requested that members submit any proposed changes to the draft Membership Guidebook of Excellence to him as soon as possible.

A shipment of medical supplies that many members contributed to will arrive in Belize on March 11.

We need more volunteers for the House Committee, especially for the Setup Committee! Please let **Jessica Stone** know if you are able to help out.

Scott Davis led the club in "O Canada!" in "honour" of our district governor (represented today by Associate District Governor Sandy Pradko) and "Sing a Song to Rotary."

Terri LeClair introduced our guests: Arlene Hicks, speaker and guest of **Kris Miele**; Eva Armitage, guest of the club / **Val Miller**; Sandy Pradko, Assistant District Governor; and Cindy Donahue, guest of **Ray Glime**.

Tom Davies was on flower duty. Not only did he pass out the usual carnations for birthdays, he led a complete round of "Happy Anniversary to You" in recognition of his 37th year in the club. **Phil Groh** bought a flower for Marge Russ to celebrate her exit from the hospital and return to the Zion kitchen brigade. Tom Davies bought one for **Bob Cannon** asking him to take over local government in Shelby Township. Bob respectfully declined. Jeff Furest bought one for Sandy Pradko. Kris Miele purchased one for the speaker; and **Bob Randolph** purchased one for Jennifer Gale.

Recognition duty was handled by **Bob Leslie**.

Phil Groh announced the "arrival" of his fourth grandchild, Alexander Philip Kampling, born 10/9/08 and adopted from Vladivostok, Russia.

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CALENDAR 2/25

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red Duemling was fined \$2 for his 29 years of incredible support for the Wertz Warriors / Special Olympics. Ray Glime, looking fine and spiffy for a man of four score minus one year was fined \$3 as "Best Dressed Rotarian" of the day. Dick Pierson was fined \$2 because of his residency in New Baltimore which is going to begin producing wine on Main Street. Tom Davies brought the spotlight to Terri LeClair, who is headed on a fantastic cruise from Key West to the Caribbean, Central America, and back to Charleston, \$3; and Larry Neal, who is headed to Florida for some R&R (Mark **Zuccaro**, remember you are doing the bulletin next week!). What goes around comes around and Tom was fined \$4 for not recognizing John Walendowski's wedding anniversary, somewhere between 35 and 45 years according to John. The belated recognition was followed by a flower slinging by the ever-quick Mr. Davies. **Don Carnaghi** and **Steve Ternullo** were also in the limelight again this week as a photo of some beautiful women was revealed, \$4. Members who REALLY enjoyed the Super Bowl were fined as follows: Glenn Burton, \$2; Shane Brown, \$3; and Sue Diener, \$5. Any member not properly dually decked out with a

ris Miele introduced speaker Arlene Hicks from My Private Tutor in Sterling Heights. Kris shared a very personal story with the club regarding her challenges as a child to the point of being put in special education all through her elementary years and most recently to dealing with an incredibly difficult national exam for her certified financial planner certification. Her challenges all stem from Irlen syndrome (IS). formerly known as scotopic sensitivity syndrome. IS affects the way a person experiences light and can affect behavior, attention, ability to sit still, ability to concentrate and most critically the ability to read. Arlene described the effects such as shadows on words, rivers of white on pages, letters that move and a whole variety of problems that make reading almost impossible. The remedy upon diagnosis for many of these problems is to add a color filter in the form of a sheet, glasses or even contact lenses. The difference to the patient is remarkable as Kris personally attested and can transform a person's life. Further information is available at http://irlen.com or by contacting Arlene Hicks at (586) 247-3037.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Mary Ann Hosey won the 50/50 raffle worth \$48.



2/15

badge and a pin were fined \$1.

BIRTHDAYS

2/13 CATHY (MARK) ZUCCARO

2/14 VALERIE MILLER2/15 RAYMOND GLIME

2/18 CHUCK O'GRADY 2/18 JAMES (JULIE)

HUTTENLOCHER

Wedding Anniversary John & Mary Walendowski (35) CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

AL ZUCCARO (24), TOM DAVIES (37)

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CALENDAR 3/4 (JEFF-SARAH) SARAH FUNDRAISER UPDATE 3/11(DON GREEN) CINDY SUE DONAHUE "SHERIFFS OF MACOMB COUNTY" BOOK REVIEW 3/18 (BOB BAKER) 3/25 (Don Green) Tami Salisbury -REVITALIZING EIGHT MILE/BASE LINE - EXECUTIVE DRIVE 8 MILE BLVD.

ASSOCIATION 4/1 (BOB BAKER) 4/8 (DON TORLINE) MARK HACKEL SHERIFF - ISSUES IN MACOMB COUNTY RELATING TO COUNTY EXECUTIVE (12:50)

4/15 (DON TORLINE) 4/22 (TERRI LECLAIR) 4/29 (VALERIE MILLER)

5/16

SPRING ZING - AN AWESOME AND ENGAGING EXPERIENCE FOR THE SENSES TASTE-FEST AND AUCTION **ZUCCARO'S COUNTRY HOUSE**

Minutes by Eric Pierson ~~ Photos by Jeff Furest

ur meeting started with **Shane Brown** leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem, followed by the benediction delivered by Lori Wright. Spaghetti was the lunch. **President Jeff Furest** got right to the hot item on today's agenda, the enactment of the Membership Guidebook of Excellence. It sailed through with only one dissenter. Not having a majority to filibuster, **Bill Furest** could only maintain a one loud "nay."

Dr. Kari Hortos - speaker, guest of the club and sister of Kris Miele

Flowers

Bob Torline bought a flower for our speaker, Dr. Kari Hortos, for the wonderful work she has done with the MSU medical program at Macomb. Kris Miele bought one for **Julie** Huttenlocher. Bill Furest bought one for Gerry Hanson to give to his wife because she was supposed to be in the hospital for surgery.

Led by **Scott Davis** we gave praise to our fine winter Olympians and their impressive performances in Vancouver by singing "You're a Grand Old Flag." Scott followed this up with "All Hail to Rotary."

Recognition by Bob Leslie

Bob started out with **Don Carnaghi** and recognizing him as the best-dressed Rotarian for donning a red power tie. Next on the hit list was **Ken Kish** who was appropriately fined for his association with the queen of soul. It is true. Ken was invited to a highbrow affair titled High Tea with Aretha where the topic of conversation was "a woman falling out of love."

Terri LeClair was recognized for the advertising on her sweater and it was pointed out that Lori Wright was also sporting a sweater with The Salvation Army logo on it. For these plugs, Bob offered an escape ladder to these fine ladies by quizzing Rotarians Mike O'Connor and Scott Davis. The challenge was whether they could give the last names of the aforementioned Rotarians. Mike O'Connor was unable to give Lori's last name or shall we say "he was wrong on Wright." Scott was able to give Terri's last name albeit with some



strong hints thrown his way. Mike O'Connor contested this as foul play, but Terri LeClair came in to save the day by pledging to pay both fines because The Salvation Army does such a good job.



ob felt bad for our president as it was his true desire to pass the Membership Guidebook for Excellence with a bipartisan unanimous vote. His desires, however, were dashed at the hands of his own father as **Bill Furest** delivered the sole dissent. Being fair, Bob did give Bill a chance to defend himself and give the reason for such strong opposition. He stated that there was no discussion, but conceded \$5 all the same. Finally, it was noticed that our treasurer, **Julie Huttenlocher**, had been limping around the meeting following an absence of some time. The secret was unleashed when she said that she had suffered a ski accident.



Not at Mt. Garbage, but in Steamboat Springs where her family lodged within a posh setting and enjoyed several days of hiking, skiing and horseback riding. Feeling the injury was not enough of a fine she was hit with an additional \$5.

Presentation

🖚 oday's presentation was a followup to a visit last year by Dr. Kari Hortos, D.O. Aside from being the sister of Rotarian Kris Miele, she is the associate dean of the MSU Medical School at Macomb Community College. Last year it was mentioned that this program was just about to begin and this year they welcomed their first class. The class of 2013, she was proud to say, was composed of 22 percent Macomb County residents.

MSU started its medical programs in 1969 and has become one of the leading programs for primary care physicians. As only 5 percent of medical students choose to be primary care physicians, Michigan faces a certain shortage of them in the future. This makes it an attractive option for children and, in particular, children of Macomb County. Dr. Hortos told us the educational path of the typical doctor begins with about four years in undergraduate study (or six for some of us.) This is followed by an additional four years in medical school. From there they tend to do from between three to eight years of a residency program followed by two years of pre-clerkship and finally another two years of clerkship.

The average debt that is tallied by this education is anywhere from 125-150 thousand dollars. The program at Macomb is unique in many ways. All of the classes are Synchronous Distance Education. What this means is that the teacher is on a television and has a full view of the classroom. Not only does this allow the students to interact with the professor with questions, but keeps them from falling a sleep in class.

The school has dived right into becoming an active member of the community and has several community outreach programs. One of these is medical student for a day. This is where staff members visit area high schools and take students through what medical students typically go through on an average day. Dr. Hortos relayed that this is available to any school and to contact her admissions counselor if anyone is interested in bringing them to their school. Another of these programs is Spartners for health, where the school promotes good health in the community. Finally, they have partnered with the YMCA to put together the Strong Kids campaign.

















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2/21 RON REED
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2/22 LOIS (DICK) PIERSON
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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FRANK McNelis (9), Mary Spaulding (22)

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Dear Friends:

Every day at the Mount Clemens Rotary Club we receive donations from people like you that have a shared vision of helping those in need in our community and throughout the world. People that donated to last year's event, "A Night at the Races for Charity," became an important part of Rotary in its mission to help eradicate polio, improve literacy and help improve the quality of life for many through wheelchair mobilization.

It's a pleasure to announce this year's event: "Spring Zing! A Night of Amazing Tastes" Live Auction and Taste Fest on Sunday, May 16, 2010 at Zuccaro Banquets & Catering. This year promises to be an even grander experience with a goal of having 500 guests in attendance supporting our charity beneficiaries including:

- ALS Therapy Development Institute Mary Lou Krauseneck Fund
- Medical Mobile Medical Outreach Clinic Mount Clemens Regional Medical Center
- Neighbors Caring for Neighbors Clinic for the uninsured Henry Ford Macomb Hospital
- Baker College Scholarship Program
- Macomb Literacy Partners
- United Way for Southeastern Michigan

While the economy still has its challenges, regardless of whether you are a Rotarian or not, we know we can count on you to help. "Service above self" involves not only our personal participation but our financial participation. You can look beyond the present and realize that your investment, whatever it is, will pay dividends for years to come in helping those with critical needs.

Enclosed an enrollment form with two ways to give – become an event sponsor or donate an item to the live auction. Event sponsors come in four levels and all involve having your advertisement placed in the Program Event Guide which will be distributed to every guest in attendance as well as special recognition at the event. Donating an auction item of \$500 or greater in value will also give you special promotion in the Program Event Guide.

Please complete the form and return it in the envelope provided or fax it back as indicated on the form. Please return it absolutely no later than April 30th to secure your ad. You can also submit this information at www.mountclemensrotary.org and make payment securely with PayPal®.

Sarah Lee-Ellena is our event sponsor coordinator (sarah@lee-ellenafuneralhome.com or 586-322-8505). Kris Miele (586-466-6440) is our auction coordinator. Both will be following up with you to coordinate your promotion photo or logos, but please contact them with any questions you may have. Again, thank you for your commitment to helping Rotary help those in need.

Very truly yours, Jeffrey C. Furest President, Rotary Club of Mount Clemens



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Spring Zing - An Awesome and Engaging Experience for the Senses Taste-fest and Auction Zuccaro's Country House Minutes by Ken Kish

President Jeff Furest called the meeting to order promptly at 12:15. Mark Zuccaro led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and our national anthem with Jennifer Gale providing the music. Don Torline said the prayer, noting that member Don Miller needed a little divine guidance with his recognition duties. The meal of the day featured ham, scallop potatoes and mixed vegetables.

President Jeff introduced special guest Sue Coats of Turning Point, the Mount Clemens-based shelter for abused women and their children, who thanked us for our assistance and presented certificates of appreciation to **Sarah Lee-Ellena**, **Paul Woodring**, and the Mount Clemens Rotary Club.

Besides Ms. Coats, other guests were Laura Ocelnick and Karen Holziner, both from Mary Kay Cosmetics; Chris Botes, guest of **Bill Patterson**; and club guests Chris Hynds, and Scott and Patty Fisher.

President Jeff, looking GQ as always, mentioned **Bob Baker's** attendance at a district foundation conference. He noted District 6380 ranks third in the country in fundraiser efforts and that our club, ranked third in the district, donated \$14,000 to district-sponsored efforts. Jeff mentioned the board of directors would be meeting this month at his home and he was doing the cooking.

Mary Ann Hosey was the flower/birthday/anniversary girl. Birthday members were **Gerald Hanson, Jessica (Cheshire)** Stone and **Kris Miele**. Club anniversaries were noted for **Bob (it's great to have him back) Lee, Eric Pierson and Keith Lesperance**.



Ms. Hosey disposed of the remaining flowers quite quickly: Don Miller bought one for Sue Coats, **Neil Dempsey** for a kitchen lady, Jeff Furest for **Jack Hart**, Bob Baker for **Julie Huttenlocher**, and one of our guests bought a flower for **Scott Davis**.

Our song leader **Bill Patterson**, after a rather long discussion with musical arranger Jennifer, selected "Bye Bye Blackbird" and "Roll Rotary."

Recognition by Don Miller Program

on "the hanging judge" Miller handled recognition, but only after President Jeff noted during "announcements" that the Mount Clemens Rotary Club ranks fifth worldwide in donating wheelchairs to Third World countries and Dick Pierson noted that Gerald **Hanson's** wife, Valerie, is recovering from heart surgery.

Getting down to business, the judge tapped **Bill Patterson** for \$5 for a trip to Arizona, which was not a vacation but a research trip looking for a college for his son.

Bob Lee was recognized as our "most missed" but sister and dad had to pay \$2 each.

Mary Ann Hosey paid \$4.99 to announce her son graduated from MSU and was headed to Honduras, along with mom.

The judge got **Frank Bernabei** for \$2 for being best-dressed, a recognition dapper Frank often receives.

Neil Dempsey and **Bob Leslie** were each fined \$2 for posing for a calendar (it wasn't the full monty!) and then Leslie was hit for another \$2 because his company was in the same calendar.

he highlight of the meeting, however, was a Saturday Night Live type skit featuring Kris Miele, Sarah Lee-Ellena, Tom Davies and John Walendowski. It was a hilarious introduction to a serious issue: how to raise \$50,000 at our annual event – this year called Spring Zing!

The May 16 event marks the club's 90th year of raising funds and chairperson of the event Sarah promises an entertaining evening for only \$65 per person. The goal is to have 450 attend.

The biggest announcement was that Baker College, thanks to Rotarian **Don Torline**, has contributed \$5,000. **President** Jeff, Valerie Miller and Dick Pierson have purchased tables for 10.

> The 50/50 raffle was won by Fred (the Wertz Warrior) Duemling who collected \$39.



BIRTHDAYS

2/27 **GERRY HANSON** 2/28 **CECILIA MOLONEY** 3/1 JESSICA CHESHIRE 3/3 KRIS MIELE

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

ROBERT LEE (18), ERIC PIERSON (2), KEITH LESPERANCE (10)

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3/25 (Don Green) Tami Salisbury Revitalizing Eight Mile/Base Line
- Executive Drive 8 Mile Blvd.
Association

4/1 (Bob Baker)
4/8 (Don Torline) Mark Hackel
Sheriff - Issues in Macomb County
relating to county executive
(12:50)
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Minutes by Ken Kish

President Jeff Furest called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m., giving us reports that **Gerald Hanson's** wife, Valerie, passed away; and club member **Bob Selwa** is being treated for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). On behalf of all club members, President Jeff noted our sympathy for the Hanson family and our prayers for Bob.

Jeff then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem, which we sang rather well without music. **Tom Davies** delivered the benediction and he also mentioned the Hanson family and Bob Selwa. The menu of the day provided a main course of chicken, served with potatoes, corn and cottage cheese.

After our fine meal, President Jeff encouraged good attendance this coming week to hear a report on the upcoming district council meeting, where he will present information on strategic planning for clubs. Our "Rotary Players" are also scheduled to perform the Spring Zing skit. They may be able to raise some money for the fundraiser by taking the skit on the road!

Following our club vote last week, the board of directors officially approved the new membership guide. And Jeff also mentioned that our Web site is being revamped by a new provider.

Bill "chicken man" Patterson did a great job in leading our singing: "Danny Boy" in honor of St. Patrick's Day and the old favorite "R-O-T-A-R-Y." Can't remember the last time we could be heard outside the church.

Sarah Lee-Ellena gave a quick update on the May 16 fundraiser, noting one auction item is a trip to Aruba. She said 19 restaurants have signed on to provide a variety of items. She also made a pitch for summer vacation homes and cash.



ulie Huttenlocher was our flower/birthday/anniversary girl. Birthdays were noted for Keith Lesperance and Don Carnaghi. The wife of Owen "remember me" Pfaendtner also celebrated a birthday. Club anniversaries were noted for Kris Miele and Neil Dempsey and Neil hits his 36 years right on. Julie then sold flowers: Don Green for guest Cindy Donahue, also our speaker; Jeff Furest in honor of his son's 19th birthday; Larry Neal for Eric Pierson who took over Larry's bulletin duties; Bob Randolph for Terri "cruisin" LeClair; Bob Morris for Bob Randolph because he's a good neighbor; Julie for Sarah for her hard work on the fundraiser.

Announcements ~ Good Will Recognition

on "here comes da judge" Miller took over announcements, good will and recognition.

- **Eric Pierson** said the Rotary club will plant vegetables at a project on April 24.
- Bill Patterson announced that he is looking for fine wines for the auction. No Ripple or Boone's Farm here; Bill is looking for wines priced over \$100 per bottle.
- Arthur Mullen announced a fundraiser at the Rec Bowl on Sunday for a park project sponsored by the Mount Clemens Foundation. Phil Groh gave us an update on Helen's health.

The judge then moved on to recognition, first hitting those dressed in green for St. Pat's: **Sarah, Fred Duemling, Arthur, Bill Patterson, Dana Casson and Ray Hofner**.

Next in line were those who attended the annual Medallion Ball for the Henry Ford Macomb Hospitals: **Don Torline**, who was also a speaker at the popular event; **Dana Casson**, of course, **Bob Morris and Neil Dempsey**. The fines were between \$2 and \$5, depending on whether they were fined for something else.

Bob Baker paid the max for his trip in April to Turkey. **Ray Hofner** paid only \$2 for going to Florida because it was too cold.

Terri LeClair's table mates paid \$3 each because her cruise ship was disrupted by a severe virus that caused some 200 illness, and the temperature in Belize hit a high of 70. We couldn't help but notice her nice tan, so the weather must have improved.

And lastly, **Jack Hart** paid \$1 for sporting half a name tag. He wasn't sure what happened to the other half.

PROGRAM

on Green introduced our guest speaker, Cindy Sue Donahue, a county employee and well-known historian who has published a book on the Macomb County's Sheriff's Office. She gave us history of each sheriff to serve starting in 1818 when the department was established.

Sue noted that you couldn't find most of her stories in the media, since the history of Macomb County is spiced with tales of bootlegging, bribery, illegal gambling and



houses of ill repute. No wonder Babe Ruth was

No wonder Babe Ruth was known to visit. She also mentioned that the original Rec Bowl was opened during prohibition.

The 50/50 drawing, worth \$41, was won by "Dapper" **Frank Bernabei.**



BIRTHDAYS

3/7 KEITH LESPERANCE3/8 DON CARNAGHI

3/8 DONNA (OWEN) PFAENDTNER

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

KRIS MIELE (2), NEIL DEMPSEY (36)

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CALENDAR

3/25 (DON GREEN) TAMI SALISBURY
- REVITALIZING EIGHT MILE/BASE
LINE - EXECUTIVE DRIVE 8 MILE BLVD.
ASSOCIATION
4/1 (BOB BAKER)
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Minutes by Ken Kish ~ Photos by John Walendowski

espite a dining room clock that was well off, President Jeff Furest called the meeting to order right at 12:15 p.m. Bob (it's good to have you back) Selwa led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem with Jennifer Gale on the piano. John Walendowski said the prayer before a lunch that included a seasoned meatloaf, potatoes, vegetables and applesauce.

President Jeff announced that **E.J. Rozek** is now working at the Detroit Medical Center. He also said the club donated \$250 to the annual CROP walk and encouraged members to sign up for district conference. His goal is to have at least 10 members at the conference.

Glenn Burton introduced our guests, John Curell from the Shelby-Utica Rotary Club, who was also our guest speaker; and Mayor Barb Dempsey, guest of her husband **Neil**.

Mary Ann Hosey was our flower child, noting birthdays for Neil, Julie Huttenlocher, Sarah Lee-Ellena, Terri LeClair and herself.

Mary Ann Sold Flowers:

Dick Pierson bought one for the mayor, probably because Neil didn't offer; **Bill Patterson** presented a flower to **Don Miller**, and **Phil Groh** returned the favor by buying one for Patterson. **Don Green** purchased the remaining flower for Glenn Burton for assisting him with a video.

Sarah Lee-Ellena and **Valerie Miller** gave us updates on the May 16 fundraiser, noting that 10-year club members are invited to a fireside chat on March 31 at the lakeside home of Dick and Lois Pierson. It's a brainstorming session on the fundraiser.



Valerie said there are 21 basket captains, noting that **Christine LaTour** (with Julie assisting) needs help with "beers from around the world" and **Sue Diener** needs volunteers for her basket on "games."

Valerie also mentioned that if her committee is wrapping your team's basket you need to complete it by April 1 (and she's not foolin'); if your group is handling the arrangement of the basket, the deadline is May 1.

Bill Patterson was our song man with a special selection for the district conference. The tune was called "The More We Get Together" and it was written by the wife of a longtime member of the Warren club. Our second song was the old standby "R-O-T-A-R-Y."

Frank McNelis gave us a St. Patrick's Day joke in his best Irish accent.



Bob Leslie had a really BIG announcement. Our club will mark its 90th year with a Roaring 20s theme party on June 25 at the Packard Proving Grounds in Shelby Township. The Friday night event will start at 6:30 p.m., past presidents will be invited and the price, although not finalized, will be "about \$50."

Eric Pierson said our community gardening event will be at **9 a.m. April 24** at a lot off Walnut, a short distance from downtown Mount Clemens.

Valerie Miller announced the birth of a grandchild, but showing no mercy **Don** "the nagging judge" Miller fined her \$5 for a trip to Florida.

Wasting no time, Don Miller then fined all U-M alumni for not making the NCAA basketball tournament. **Bob Cannon, Mary Ann Hosey** and Mayor Barb were then recognized for a groundbreaking photo at the site of a new McDonald's.





Tom Davies was fined \$5 for wearing jeans but he noted he was on the way to the airport – for a trip to a more sunny location. **Joe Peruzzi** paid \$5 for a two-week trip to Georgia.

Ted Bolak has a new daughter but the judge let him off without a fine.

Carl Becker admitted that when he was 12 years old, he flunked a Boy Scout Merit Badge test. Most of us can't even remember when we were 12.

Arthur "legs" Mullen was fined for attending a March meeting in shorts and **Dick Pierson** paid \$2 because his cell phone rang and he couldn't figure out how to turn it off.

ob Baker introduced our speaker, John Curell, who is the chairman of the Rotary District 6380 Conference, April 30-May 2, at the Dearborn Inn.

After **Joe Peruzzi** saved the day by getting the DVD to run, we show an interesting video on the event with an introduction by District Governor Judy Garver and a welcome from Dearborn Mayor John O'Reilly.



There's a lot of reasons to attend a district conference but, as our speaker noted, it's the best way to "rejuvenate" members.







The 50-50 raffle, worth \$42, was won by **Fred "the rich get richer" Duemling**, who cashed in the second time in three weeks.

BIRTHDAYS

3/14 NEIL DEMPSEY

3/14 Julie Huttenlocher

3/14 SARAH LEE-ELLENA

3/14 TERRI LECLAIR

3/16 MARY ANN HOSEY

3/17 DANA CASSON

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4/1 (BOB BAKER)
4/8 (DON TORLINE) MARK HACKEL
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SPRING ZING - AN AWESOME AND ENGAGING EXPERIENCE FOR THE SENSES TASTE-FEST AND AUCTION ZUCCARO'S COUNTRY HOUSE

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Minutes by Ken Kish ~ Photo by Jeff Furest

resident Jeff Furest called the meeting to order promptly at 12:15 and this week the clock was set correctly. Jamie Fitzpatrick led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem, with Jennifer Gale doing her standard excellent job on piano. Scott Davis delivered the benediction, adding prayers for all U.S. military forces serving in harm's way. We had a fine meal of sloppy joe's, potatoes, baked beans and potato chips.

Bob Baker, chair of our exchange student program, said the club is looking for host families for students from Brazil, Slovakia, Germany and Mexico.

- We received some quick updates on the May 16 fundraiser. **Valerie Miller** reminded us that the deadline for turning in basket items for wrapping is April 1, while those teams doing their own wrapping have until May 1. She and President Jeff both noted that 100 percent participation is expected. If you don't have time to solicit gifts for the baskets, or items for the auction, \$50 or \$100 donations would be appreciated.
- The always upbeat **Kris Miele** noted that we're approaching the \$20,000 mark on items for the live auction. She listed a trip to Aruba, an opera performance in Detroit with an overnight hotel stay, dinners for four and 10 and a special Tour de France package.
- **Don Torline** said his hi-tech gizmo basket includes a 42-inch TV. **Bill Patterson's** luxury wine basket could still use a couple of bottles but Bill noted he expects the basket will include an estimated \$2,000 in fine wines.
- Ron Reed is working on a less expensive wine basket and could use a few more donations – wine or cash.
- President Jeff said the club needs some 30 volunteers to work the auction, everything from ticket-takers to auction spotters.



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Sue Diener introduced our guests: speaker Tami Salisbury, Cindy Donahue, Eva Armitage, and Suzanne Pixley, the Mayor of Eastpointe.

Mary Ann Hosey handled flowers / birthdays / anniversaries in her always-efficient manner. Fred Duemling and Bob Leslie celebrated birthdays. Fred admitted to being 78 years young while Bob claimed he was 39 – again. You just can't believe a tax man at this time of the year. Arthur Mullen's wife, Lauren, also had a birthday.

Duemling was also honored for 29 years in the club and **Don Miller** marked 11 years.

Mary Ann then sold the remaining flowers: she bought one for **Terri LeClair**; **Don Green** for our speaker; **Bob Selwa** for fellow-Fordson High grad **Charles Muncatchy**; **Eric Pierson** for **Jamie Fitzpatrick**.

Bill Patterson was our song leader choosing "Victory for MSU" in honor of the Big Dance Friday night and "Roll Rotary."

recognition

on Miller started recognition with announcements. Arthur Mullen made a push for the latest performance at The Box Theater, Sarah Lee-Ellena noted the fireside chat on March 31 at Dick Pierson's lakefront mansion and then waived the 10-year membership clause and invited all members.

Don Torline offered to add a member's name to his theater basket for a donation of only \$50 and **Sue Diener** needs help with her "game" basket.

Moving on to recognition fines, the good judge hit **Jack Hart** for him and his wife being mentioned in The Insider column in my favorite newspaper (the only one still offering home delivery seven days a week), **Joe Peruzzi** and **Dave Meldrum**



paid for wearing identical shirts, **Bob Randolph** was hit for winning a raffle at a grandchild's school, **Bill Patterson** was fined for his pink tie, which he claimed was "for all the ladies."

The most unusual fine of the day went to **Ray (defense counsel) Glime and Bob (the Tiger) Selwa**. Seems Ray heisted a magazine featuring the Detroit Tigers from a doctor's office and presented it to Bob, since he's such a Tigers fan. Ray said he asked if he could take the magazine but he didn't sound so sure.

program

on Green introduced our speaker: Tami Salisbury, executive director of the Eight Mile Boulevard Association. One of the oldest roadways in America, Eight Mile dates to 1785 and is actually eight miles from the Detroit River.

History, as Salisbury noted, can often be strange, with two very different individuals playing prominently in making Eight Mile famous.

The first was Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, who proudly told all the Detroit crooks to "hit Eight Mile and get out of my town." The other, of course, is rapper Eminem, whose movie "8 Mile" made the road famous worldwide.

On the serious side, however, the association works with commercial and residential property owners to enhance the boulevard, which separates counties and traverses 13 communities. The association was formed in 1993 after Mayor Young, a critic of the idea, was long gone. But we still have Eminem.

The 50/50, which lived up to its name and was worth \$50, was won by Don Carnaghi. lease join our Facebook page! (From Jessica Stone)

Rotary Club of Mount Clemens has a new Facebook page and we need all Rotarians to become fans of the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens! This is a great way to share your experiencing of Rotary and what our club has to offer to the worldwide community. Please locate our page and invite your friends to join as well.



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3/20 FRED DUEMLING 3/23 BOB LESLIE

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he club needs someone to chair the Flowers and Birthday Committee to ask Rotarians for service each week to distribute flowers for birthdays and anniversaries. The chair also reports the roster and changes to Jessica Stone for setting up each week's meeting agenda. The Rotarian who volunteers for this position is being asked to fulfill the post April through take the position for the next fiscal year under Sarah

June, and take the position for the next fiscal year under Sarah Lee-Ellena's presidency (July 2010 to June 30, 2011). Please contact either Jeff Furest or Jessica Stone to volunteer.

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Minutes by Eric Pierson

ur meeting started with **Steve Ternullo** leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem followed by the benediction delivered by **John Walendowski**. Spaghetti was the lunch. President **Jeff Furest** started the meeting with a fundraiser update in which he was assisted by **Sarah Lee-Ellena** and **Valerie Miller**. Valerie expressed a concern that several of the baskets were not being turned in with enough filler items. For instance, if you are giving gift certificates several smaller items should be included so that the basket appears fuller. Please check with Valerie to see what items she needs and if you could provide some donations of filler items. It was also reminded that tickets for the event are currently for sale. As a tradeoff to not needing to sell raffle tickets, we are expecting each Rotarian to bring at least two guests with them.

Guests

Eva Armitage - guest of club Ted Schollenberg - speaker, guest of the club

Flowers were given to **Tom Davies** for his birthday as well as to **Dick Pierson** for celebrating his 45th anniversary to Lois; and **Ray Glime** for his 56th anniversary to Gretchen. **Bill Furest** bought a flower for his wife. He felt obligated for "April Fooling" her with a divorce request. **Julie Huttenlocher** bought one for Valerie Miller to welcome her to the board. Sarah Lee-Ellena bought one for **Dave Meldrum** for agreeing to head up the boat outing. **Nancy Dedenbach** bought one for her granddaughter. **Shane Brown** bought one for Kris Miele for her assistance in completing his basket.



Sonas

For the second week straight we were forced to sing the MSU fight song, "Victory to MSU," in which we were led by all of the MSU grads in attendance. This was followed by a festive Easter Parade in honor of the coming holiday.

Announcements

I announced a Rotary Community Service event on April 24 for the Mount Clemens Community Garden. I will be sending an email to everyone with more detail. I forwarded a sign-up sheet and will do so again at the next meeting. Volunteers may be in a few different formats for this event. There will be a heavy workday on the 24th. This work sounds more strenuous than the other work that can be done on the project. There will also be a planting day on May 1. This is lighter-duty work, as well as the ongoing maintenance on the garden throughout the entire growing season.

Recognition by Dick Pierson

ick started out by fining everyone \$1 who did not attend the first fireside chat that he hosted. For those that missed, it was a wonderful time and I am grateful that I made for the many pearls that were cast by Rotarians with many years experience.

Tom Davies was fined a \$1 for competing in a spelling bee and successfully spelling the word "cow." In true Tom Davies fashion he explained how it took him so long as he asked for the word to be used in a sentence.



Dave Meldrum, Tom Davies and **Bob Leslie** all offered up \$1 each for their recent vacations.

And a wager was laid down between all the MSU grads and the rest of the club \$5 they would pay if MSU failed to win out the rest of the NCAA tournament and the inverse should they win. We can all rest easy as they were defeated by Butler on Saturday night.

- 1. "Rotary Club of Mount Clemens" has a new Facebook page and we need all Rotarians to become a fan of the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens! This is a great way to share your Rotary experience and what our club has to offer to the worldwide community. Please locate our page and invite your friends to join.
- 2. We are also on Twitter: "Rotary Mount Clemens"
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PRESENTATION

ris Miele introduced today's speaker, Ted Schollenberg.

Ted started by asking if anyone knew what the term millennial meant. One joker posited that it was **Don Green**, but he was wrong. It refers to the generation born between 1977 and 1986. This is the second largest generation in existence behind the baby boomers. The majority of this population was raised in the suburbs and yearn for walk-able urban settings. Females in this group, on average, wait until 26 to marry and, as a whole, this group is extremely mobile.

Ted came to Mount Clemens in 1996 and instantly fell in love with the city. Being a real estate developer, Ted wanted to promote the city and its historical roots. He was told to speak with Gabe Anton to assist him in this endeavor. They had a sit-down and this is when Ted got involved in the DDA

(downtown development authority?) An ambition of the DDA is to attract more millennials into Mount Clemens as the city has many features that are so attractive to this generation already. Because Mount Clemens has more than 30 restaurants and bars and such an attractive riverfront, it presents a great urban setting.



It is believed that the introduction of even more mixed urban use will attract even more millennials into the city. The reason for this is simple. The youth are the future and the city needs the youth to grow. This generation is attracted to affordable housing, restaurants and bars, and entertainment. Mount Clemens serves as an ideal incubator for this project as it is a county seat and the largest urban center in Macomb County. That is why the DDA has created the Millennial Draw mission. Some points behind this mission include developing a marketing strategy, focus group, and to create housing. The



big five-year goal is to have 500 new dwelling units, a higher education entity downtown, an artist colony, theater, weekend street markets, downtown grocery store, making the city a cultural destination and finally, to capitalize on the city's riverfront

marina. Ted concluded his presentation by showing several impressive before and after photos of his many restoration projects within the city, including some interior shots of loft condominiums he had constructed within the city.

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CALENDAR

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Minutes by Eric Pierson

his Thursday meeting was a good one as we were blessed with the presence of our Macomb County Sheriff Mark Hackel who had the pleasure of a hotdog lunch with scalloped potatoes. As much criticism as the hotdog gets, I must say that I enjoy it. Particularly when I get two of them as I did today.

GUESTS

SHERIFF MARK HACKEL SPEAKER AND GUEST OF DON TORLINE
LARRY MOLONEY AND GALIYA GUESTS OF CECILIA MOLONEY
BARB DEMPSEY GUEST OF NEIL DEMPSEY
TREVOR FITZPATRICK GUEST OF JAMIE FITZPATRICK
CINDY DONOHUE GUEST OF DON GREEN
ELAINE JOHNSON GUEST OF FRANK BERNABEI
TIM APRINENS GUEST OF ROLF SCHROETER

- President **Jeff Furest** started our meeting looking for a volunteer to assume the flower and anniversary committee position vacated by **Lynn Davidson**. This is a very easy position. The person who takes it will also agree to run the committee throughout the next year. The work is mostly done for the remainder of this year as Rotarians have already agreed to take the remaining months. The next year mostly means that you need to find 12 Rotarians to take a month each. As a bonus to anyone who takes this position, I agree to reduce the workload by one month by agreeing in advance to take whatever month you want me to do. Now how can you refuse that? Please let Jeff or **Sarah Lee-Ellena** know if you are interested.
- Jeff also announced the date for the next fireside chat. It will be held at his home on **April 27.** This is a post-dinner meeting, so please eat before arriving. The topic of conversation will be marketing and branding of the club.
- The next three to four weeks presentations will be given by beneficiaries of this year's fundraiser with updates of what they are doing presently. Please attend as it will give you a glimpse as to how the funds we raise will be used.
- On **April 12** there will be a duel meeting. First at 5:30 at Zuccaro's we will have a fundraiser meeting. Immediately following this meeting, the board meeting will take place at Wintergarden next door to the hall.
- Sarah Lee-Ellena gave us an update on the fundraiser and announced that
 invitations were available for Rotarians to send to whomever they pleased. If
 you were not there and would like some invitations, please see Jeff or Sarah.

lowers were given to **Jamie Fitzpatrick** for her birthday. Two flowers went to **Ray Glime** to share with Gretchen for their anniversary. Caving into pressure, **Neil Dempsey** was forced to buy one for the mayor for their anniversary. ... **Bob Cannon** received one for his club anniversary, but was unable to comprehend how long he was in the club as he took some leaves of absence for work reasons along the way. Ray Glime also celebrated his 34-year club anniversary. ... It was the first time I had witnessed it and it was a great gesture as our speaker and sheriff purchased a flower for **Jack Hart** who he cited as a great influence to him coming up the ranks in the sheriff's department. When he inquired as to how to pay, Jeff Furest agreed to pick up the tab. ... **Nancy Dedenbach** purchased a flower for **Marco Lavinio** who made a rare appearance at lunch today. ... Jamie Fitzpatrick purchased one for **Valerie Miller** for her work on the baskets for the fundraiser.

Jessica Stone led us in song this week with the opening day week regular, "Take Me Out to the Ball Game." Following this up was, "Roll, Rotary."

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Bob Leslie announced that the 90th anniversary celebration of the club will be taking place at the Packard Proving Grounds on **June 25** at 6:30 p.m. It will be a Roaring '20s party complete with '20s music. They may even be wheeling out a few old Packards as part of the theme.

BIRTHDAYS

3/26 ROBERT MORRIS

3/31 TOM DAVIES
4/6 JAMIE FITZPATRICK

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

3/22 Bob & Cheryl Cannon (22)

3/22 Pete & Martha Ruggirello (22)

3/27 DICK & LOIS PIERSON LOIS (45)

4/3 RAY & GRETCHEN GLIME (56)

4/4 NEIL & BARB DEMPSEY (40)

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Don Green (58), Kolby Miller (4), Bob Cannon (9), Dave Gerlach (9), Ray Glime (34)

Recognition by Dick Pierson

ick went right for the jugular and recognized our president, **Jeff Furest**, for his amazing winning streak. President Jeff won a large drawing at a president's meeting and took the 50/50 at the Detroit club where he attended one of their meetings as a guest of Larry Powe. As a fine cannot be charged to Jeff, Dick immediately sought out **Bill Furest** who was not too difficult to locate as he was wearing Playboy Bunny ears and holding a stuffed energizer bunny. Due to his son's winning streak and the bunny ensemble it was clear that \$5 would be inappropriate so Bill agreed to a \$10 fine.

Next Dick went to **John Walendowski** to get after him for the press he received for the wayward activities of a Michigan State athlete. Apparently there was some confusion as John stated that he was not the athletic director of Michigan State and the article actually quoted someone by the name of John Lewandowski. **Bob Randolph** was given credit for passing the article said that it was close enough and thus \$5 was levied. John pointed out that he would already be fined the maximum for the lost Michigan State bet that was arranged at the previous meeting. And this is how the second \$10 fine was passed.

Appropriately next was that all the MSU grads were made to pay their \$5 fines for their team's failure at winning out the NCAA tournament.

There was a mixup when guests were announced as **Rolf Schroeter**, who arrived late, forgot to put down his guest's name on the list. It was alleged, but quickly dismissed that this may be some attempt to get a free lunch. The breach of protocol cost Rolf \$1.

Finally, Dick announced that by buying tickets for the fundraiser one could buy immunity for fees for the remainder of the month. John Walendowski inquired whether this could have a retroactive effect so that he may recapture his \$10 loss. He was denied.

Presentation

on Torline introduced today's speaker, our own Sheriff Mark Hackel. The sheriff started out with his jaw dropped as he never imagined Rotary could be so exciting citing talk of gambling, guns and our own version of the Playboy Bunny. Mark's accomplishments in both law enforcement and in education are quite impressive and have led to an amazing 29-year career with the Macomb County Sheriff's Department.

Mark started out by relaying how the times, being as they are, have brought a lot of challenges as of late with law enforcement as desperation has wrought more crime than normal. This has caused quite a strain on the department's resources and, in particular, to the jail. This is one of the heaviest costs in the department's budget. \$50 million annually is devoted to the prison with 70 percent of that total devoted to prisoner-related issues.

The sheriff stated that they have received a lot of cooperation from Macomb County judges whose creative sentencing as of late has helped to relieve that burden. The sheriff's department has instituted a lot of policies to help with the costs such as Stay and Pay policies and the charging of a booking fee \$10 of this \$12 fee stays with the jail and pays for training of new officers. The Stay and Pay plan is simply charging prisoners for staying in jail.

Mark pointed out that he received several emails from people regarding the email sensation Sheriff Arapaya from Arizona. For those who don't know, this Sheriff Joe, as he is often referred, is famous for revolutionary work with prisoners. While our sheriff

states he does not agree with making the prisoners wear pink because the uniforms cost more,

he has matched Sheriff Joe's policy of only serving bologna sandwiches. The primary point behind these emails is Sheriff Joe's policy on using chain gangs to clean up the city. While it seems to be an attractive idea, one which, the sheriff says, would thrill the prisoners as well, the reality is that the costs of going out with the prisoners would outweigh the savings such a project would bring.

The sheriff has been an active proponent to eliminating duplicity in government. The elimination of the police department in Mount Clemens was an example of how a lot of money can be saved by consolidation of government entities. The sheriff pointed out how no jobs were lost, but the city saved a lot of money as a result of the move. As his expertise is law enforcement, he sees, firsthand, the overlap between municipal forces, the sheriff's department and the state police. He would eventually like to see all of the municipal agencies consolidated to using, at least, the county jail.

The sheriff believes that the same kind of overlap that exists in law enforcement is also prevalent in the school systems and fire departments throughout the county. If the same kind of consolidation principles were applied to these areas, it should free up the county enough funds to grow the county into something incredible.

As Macomb County has the luxury of so much Lake St. Clair coastline it could serve as an ideal destination. There is no



doubt that the summer already brings a lot of people to the shores, but he wonders why the same type of thing can't

happen in the winter in much the same way tip up town is celebrated on Houghton Lake.

Another opportunity exists in Freedom Hill which is currently owned by the county, but has been sitting vacant not being utilized to its full extent. Other opportunities for growth have been lost by the county. The sheriff points out the missed opportunity of building a ballpark and casino. Sheriff Hackel concluded in saying that his vision of the Macomb County of the future is so bright that even L. Brooks Patterson will want to relocate.

Many questions followed the presentation and many were not even asked as time ran out, but amongst them was whether the jail could accommodate the increased traffic that closing municipal facilities would add. The answer was "not currently." The facilities would need to be expanded for the increase in prisoners, but that that cost would be recaptured over time due to the savings county-wide.

A question was then asked regarding the Michigan Open Carry Law. This law allows one who legally owns a gun to carry that weapon openly. This law has always been on the books, but has been getting a lot of attention just recently. Many people often confuse this with the concealed weapons law which requires a special permit. The difference is whether the weapon is concealed or not. No license is permitted if the weapon is in plain sight.

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Minutes by Eric Pierson

resident **Jeff Furest** started our meeting by announcing that Eva Armitage has been approved as a new member by the board. Per our new guidelines, this will be listed in the bulletin for two weeks to give any member an opportunity to object prior to her being officially sworn in.

Guests

Paul Gieleghem - speaker and guest of **Don Torline** Eva Armitage - guest of club

Flowers

A flower was given to **Nancy Dedenbach** to celebrate her anniversary with Ron. **Gerry Hanson** was given a flower in honor of his 15-year club anniversary. It was with great pleasure that we celebrated **Don Green's** 58-year club anniversary. Some nice words were spoken by Jeff as Don is the longest serving Rotarian in the club. **Bob Selwa** purchased two flowers. The first one to **Don Miller** for being a great guy. The second flower went to Jeff Furest for his presentation to the Detroit Rotary Club about our club. Eva Armitage then bought a flower for Don Green as a gift from the club's newest member to its oldest member.

Songs

Jamie Fitzpatrick led us in song with maracas this week. She started with the sunny day standard "Zip-a-Dee-Do-Dah." I heard a murmur from President Furest that it was his favorite song. I couldn't help but giggle to myself at a mental picture of Jeff skinning a deer singing that song. Jamie wrapped it up with "Sing a Song to Rotary."

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Recognition by Dick Pierson

ick went directly to our soon-to-be-newest member, Eva Armitage, whose phone rang during the president's opening remarks. As he could not yet fine her, her sponsor, **Valerie Miller**, was hit for the punitive damages. Don Green's table was fined a \$1 each for having the honor of sitting with such a distinguished Rotarian. Bob Selwa was fined for missing last meeting to visit his daughter and granddaughter in Livonia last Thursday. Fines for attending opening day were assessed on **Shane** Brown, Bob Selwa, Art Mullen, Gerry Hanson and Marco Lavinio. An obituary announced that a Don Miller had passed away. After taking (Judge) Don Miller's pulse, it was decided it was not our Don Miller. The judge was then fined for the confusion this caused. Dick then did a table by table quiz about the fundraiser. Shane Brown, Ron Reed and Bob Cannon were the three representatives, designated by Dick to answer questions. I believe they all were fined.

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4/12 NANCY & RON DEDENBACH (41)

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DISTRICT 6380 CONFERENCE, APRIL 30 - MAY 2, DEARBORN INN, DEARBORN

Rotary International Convention, June 20 - 23, Montreal, Quebec $\sim\sim$ see <u>www.rotary.org</u>

Presentation

on Torline introduced today's speaker, Paul Gieleghem, chairman of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners who is currently running for the state senate. Mr. Gieleghem's goal has been to chart a course for Macomb County and he is proud to say that, for the first time in six years the county will have a balanced budget for 2010.



He started things out by explaining the process of reform underway in the county. As opposed to mandated reform as was done in Wayne County, Macomb County voluntarily went in reform. This will accomplish two things: it will streamline bureaucracy and cut costs. Some of the results of the reform will include having an elected county executive and road commissioner. This will bring more accountability to these positions and will bring our county more in line with what other counties are presently doing.

In the budget, it was noticed for the first time ever that Macomb County was running a deficit in 2004. The reason behind this was due to continued growth of government against a shrinking of the tax base or population in the county. For 40 years the government operated on a growth structure that assumed population growth.

It wasn't until 2006 that they began to cut costs. Employees voluntarily changed their pension and health care benefits in an effort to assist. And the millage rate was increased.

Paul feels the future of the county rests on that of educating residents to new technologies, particularly in the defense industry. Macomb County is considered a defense incubator. Partnering with Oakland University, Macomb residents can be trained through various programs for employment in the defense industry. This will not only help here, but will enable people with the skills necessary to succeed in emerging markets.

Paul noted that we are currently in a jobless recovery and thinks the federal government should be putting TARP funds into the Michigan Works program. He feels that this would help Michigan residents get the aforementioned education.

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ohn Walendowski led us in prayer shortly before we had the pleasure of digging into a tasty turkey pot pie.



Larry Neal encouraged everyone to login into Clubrunner to update their statuses. If you have any problems he would be happy to assist you.

President Jeff Furest reminded everyone of the fireside chat to take place at his home on Tuesday, April 27. This is an after-dinner meeting where the topic of discussion will the marketing and branding of our club.



Guests

Tim Adriaens - guest of **Rolf Schroeter** Eva Armitage - guests of club

Flowers

Valerie Miller received a flower for Dennis's birthday. Frank Bernabei received one in honor of his 36th anniversary in the club. Neil Dempsey purchased a flower for Mark Zuccaro. Sarah Lee-Ellena purchased a flower for Christine LaTour in honor of surviving another tax season. Marco Lavinio purchased a flower for Dana Casson for her attending two Rotary meetings in a row. Nancy Dedenbach finished up with a flower for her granddaughter.



Sonas

Jessica Stone started everyone with a touching tribute to a friend of hers with a song called friendship. The tribute lost some of its glory, however, once the music started and it was realized that no one really knew how the song went. Fortunately she was thrown a lifesaver in **Bill Furest** whose booming voice pushed us through the song in a melodically painful way. The follow up song "R-O-T-A-R-Y" sounded much better.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Valerie Miller announced that she was waiting on basket captains to provide a detailed list of the items within their baskets so they may be put on a placard.
- is still looking for \$100 bottles of wine to complete the case of high end wine to be auctioned off. If you do not have a bottle, you can donate a check to the Mount Clemens Rotary Foundation and he could use the funds to purchase bottles.
- Sarah Lee-Ellena announced that anyone wanting to place an ad in the fundraiser program needs to do so soon as they will need to be printed soon.
- Phil Groh announced that he forgot to mention Community Central Bank's involvement in the Crop Walk. He also passed on some sad news that Helen has moved to an assisted living center.
- **Jeff Furest** announced some good news about **Mike Robinson**, who has taken a leave of absence to help his father. Apparently his father's health has turned around and he is doing much better. We are looking forward to Mike's return.

Recognition by Neil Dempsey

ike a sharpshooter, Neil took to the podium and started firing off fines. The first recipient was **Bill Furest**, whose valiant efforts at leading the song "Friendship," cost him a \$3 penalty for needing voice lessons.

Jim Haselwood was deemed today's most missed Rotarian and was fined \$5 for wintering in Puerta Vallarta.

What followed was a Rotarian quiz where my table was hosed out of \$1 each. When asked what was on the cover of the latest issue of the Rotarian magazine (a picture of a guy jogging in the desert.), yours truly offered to our delegate, **Don Carnaghi**, that it was a picture of a guy jogging in the desert. Neil called this wrong because it was a picture of a participant in a road rally jogging in Afghanistan. As my losses were only \$1, I decided it would be futile to appeal the draconian ruling. It was busts all around the room as **Scott Davis** and **Fred Duemling** also erred as representatives of their respective tables and \$1 was had from everyone in attendance.

Finally, **Ken Kish** was fined for winning two awards for editorial writing.





Presentation



Terri LeClair who brought us up to date on one of our fundraiser's recipients. As we all know, Terri is employed by Mount Clemens Regional Medical Center. She started by thanking everyone who sent her get-well wishes over the past month. Her primary presentation was regarding the hospital's Mobile Outreach Clinic.

Packaged in what looks like a 40-foot U-Haul is miniature mobile clinic capable of providing medical service at no charge to the area's homeless and low income residents. The clinic is used to treat acute illnesses (flu and cold), chronic disease management (hypertension and diabetes) and preventive care (PAP smears and prostate exams.) Minor surgeries are even performed in the vehicle when necessary. Although CT scans and the like are not on the vehicle, patients needing these types of tests are referred to the main hospital and the tests are given to them free of charge. 100% of the patients helped are uninsured. They must provide verification of low income for treatment. This is usually provided in the form of tax returns.

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Minutes by Eric Pierson

om Davies led us in prayer shortly before we had the pleasure of enjoying a ham loaf lunch. I had the good fortune of sitting next to Mary Ann Hosey, who gave me about half of her serving. Sarah Lee-Ellena gave us an update on the fundraiser and reminded everyone interested in advertising for this year's event to contact her quickly about placing their ads. Also, Jamie Fitzpatrick was looking for volunteers to work the event.

What better way to start a meeting than with a new member initiation?

Eva Armitage

joined our club this Thursday. I can personally vouch for Eva's qualifications as she has been of great assistance to me in organizing the community garden. In addition to being a master gardener as a hobby, Eva owns an Aerospace painting company. In essence, her company paints parts to be used in aircraft. Eva grew up in St. Clair Shores and has been in the area all her life. She has two sons, one of which was a quest of ours today.

Guests

Jim Armitage - guest of Eva Armitage

Flowers

Valerie Miller received a flower for Dennis's birthday. Art Mullen left too early to receive his flower. It was decided that by disclosing his age of 52 years was punishment enough. Frank Bernabei received one for the second week in a row in honor of his 36th anniversary in the club. Or 36 years and one week. Eva Armitage bought a flower for Valerie Miller for sponsoring her as a member to the club. Dana Casson bought one for Mary Ann Hosey for making putting a basket together so much fun. Bill Furest bought a flower for Jeff Furest for hosting the last fireside chat. Jack Hart bought a flower for Jennifer Gale. Finally, Bob Selwa bought a flower for Bob Lee.

Announcements

- **Don Torline** announced that the accrediter responsible for accrediting Baker College's 8-year accreditation gave their nursing program a 100 percent. As the necessary score was only 71 percent, this was quite an accomplishment even more so when it was announced by the aforementioned that it was the best ever given to a nursing program. Great job Don!
- Nancy Dedenbach announced that she was planning a couple of Tigers game Rotary events. More details will follow.
- Sarah Lee-Ellena pointed out that the original charter was in the room in all of its coffee-stained glory.

BRING A CHILDREN'S BOOK TO ROTARY on May 13!

nited Way for Southeastern Michigan is one of this year's beneficiaries to the Spring Zing fundraiser. The United Way's Early Learning Communities funds raised through the Mount Clemens Rotary Spring Zing event will support United Way's Early Learning Communities (ELC), which are neighborhood-based locations that help children enter kindergarten ready to succeed. Each ELC offers free training and resources for parents and caregivers to help them create early education opportunities and foster proper development for the children in their care. We are hoping that each Rotarian will bring a children's book to Rotary on May 13, to donate to the early learning hubs. We will be one of the speakers on this day. These books will be given to the children whose parents and caregivers are participating in our ELCs. ~~ Jessica Cheshire Stone

Recognition by Tom Davies

he always entertaining **Tom Davies** turned around and slugged my neighbor **Jim Haselwood** for the coffee stain that spread over our table consuming three place settings. Jim was charged \$2 for his close proximity to the disaster.

Dapper **Don Miller** got hit with \$3 for looking so good. **Mark Zuccaro** also got hit with \$2 for the same offense. **Cecilia Moloney** was fined for dancing with George W. Bush at her son's wedding. Don't ask me, I don't know. It is just what I heard. **Don Green** was fined \$5 for losing a bet to the mayor who did know that Cecilia's new daughter-in-law hailed from Kazakhstan. Rather than pay the \$1 wager the mayor convinced Don to pay a \$5 fine at Rotary. Good negotiating mayor Barb!



Bill Patterson was fined \$5 for having such a great tan. The tan was acquired while on vacation with Tom Davies. Tom, showing that he is impartial, fined himself \$1 for the same offense. It was pointed out by someone that Tom was wearing the same

shirt as **Ken Kish**, so Tom anted up another \$1, but recognized Ken Kish for *The Macomb Daily* getting press for receiving the third largest circulation increase in the nation.

With the news about Michigan's new texting while driving ban, Tom started a whole new category of finable offenses, texting while Rotary is meeting. **Dana Casson** received the inaugural fine for committing the offense. Tom wanted to get to the bottom of the often-maligned ham loaf and find out just how many people do not like ham loaf. All were asked to stand. Only **Terri LeClair** and **Kris Miele** did. Because Tom likes ham loaf, they were both fined \$2.

Presentation

ike O'Connor introduced today's speaker, his niece, Amy Whipple. Amy is the Midwest Regional Director of ALS-TDI. ALS is more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Although the disease has been around and known for nearly 200 years, it did not get widespread notice until the Iron Horse contracted the disease in the 1930s, hence the more commonly known name. The disease and the charity are close to the O'Connor family as Amy's aunt, and Mike's sister, Mary Lou Krauseneck, was also diagnosed with the disease and it led to her untimely death at the age of 53.

When Mary Lou was diagnosed, like anyone in her position it was clear that she faced a certain timeline. Rather than be unproductive, she got involved with ALS-TDI and inspired many people to come together for the common cause. ALS-TDI was founded in 1999 when a victim realized that little progress was made in finding any treatment options sent Lou Gehrig passed away in 1938. Even today there is currently no treatment in pill or any other form that can even slow the onset of the disease.

The disease affects 30,000 people each year leaving them with a timeline on their lives of about two to five years. Mary Lou survived for seven years with the disease. The average age of diagnosis is approximately 52 years of age and research has shown that 10percent of those affected are via familial bonds whereas 90 percent are sporadic. The disease wreaks havoc on the human body slowly taking away the ability to move, eat and drink.

ALS-TDI is considered a nonprofit biotech and was the first organization to achieve this title as it is a combination of a nonprofit charity and a biotech company. They essentially fill the gap in drug development and are primarily funded by the MDA. The gap that is filled is between basic research (government funded) and clinical development (large pharmaceuticals.) Everything is the middle is done by ALS-TDI in striving to bring drugs to clinical trials. ALS-TDI has developed a drug that has shown some favorable reactions in lab mice and are hoping to bring the drug to clinical trials within a year. The organization employs 30 full time scientist and technicians. One hundred percent of its funding is put into research.

In addition to being one of our partners in this year's fundraiser, ALS - TDI also sponsors many fundraising events. One of these events is the Tri State Trek. The last slide featured an amusing photo of our own Mike O'Connor, decked out in his biking outfit, participating in the event, a very long bike ride. Fortunately, the photo was from the shoulders up. I shudder at the thought of seeing Mike in those biker shorts.

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Dear Rotarians:

As we come into the final week before our grand event, Spring Zing! A Night of Amazing Tastes, I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication to making this one of our best events ever.

But there is still a lot to be done! I simply want everyone to ask themselves:

- Did I reach enough people?
- Did I get out of my comfort zone and make a difference?
- Am I having fun?

We are here as Rotarians to make a difference in the lives of our friends and the community we serve. Look deep down inside and see if there is just a little more that you could do to make this years event, TRULY a "Night of AMAZING Tastes!"

In Rotary,

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Phil Groh thanked all the sponsors for this year's Crop Walk.

Minutes by Mark Zuccaro ~ Photos by Mary Ann Hosey

Pledge of Allegiance, followed by **John Walendowski** in his blessing. The wonderful folks of the Zion church served up the house specialty of spaghetti with meat sauce.

Jeff made a special announcement about voting to become a member of the Macomb

County Chamber of Commerce. Majority of the club ruled in favor of membership and so it was passed.



The district conference was held last weekend in Dearborn. The Mount Clemens Rotary was well represented, with our club receiving an award for Strategic Planning.

Jessica Stone also made an announcement regarding the need of volunteers for the Spring Zing fundraiser.

Nancy Dedenbach, along with Jennifer Gale on piano, led us in song. Nancy had **Al Zuccaro** stand as the club sang to him "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" (welcome back Dad). Next song was "R.O.T.A.R.Y." because it was Nancy's little girl's favorite.



Kris Miele had the honor of introducing our guest Earl Rickman, who was also our speaker.



Jessica Stone was this week's flower saleswomen. The freebie flowers went to Birthday Boy Joe Peruzzi. Also, wedding anniversaries were Don Carnaghi, Frank Bernabei and Tom Davies (God bless those wives). A club anniversary for Sarah Lee-Ellena; the flower was received by her dad Bill. Jamie Fitzpatrick purchased a flower for her new friend Al Zuccaro. The last flower was auctioned off and won by our president, but he gave it to Tom Davies.

John Walendowski asked for any special announcements prior to his recognition program.





- **Jessica Stone** asked for a donation of children's books (0-5 years old) from any Rotarians, and to bring them in next week. The speaker next week is from the United Way, one of our beneficiaries from the fundraiser, is having a reading program for young kids
- **Nancy Dedenbach** was selling Rotary pens at \$5 each to help cover the cost of a case of pens to be given as gifts to future guest speakers.
- **Bob Baker** was part of a Turkey Friendship Exchange and presented our club with additional flags. Also, he announced the Clinton-Macomb Sunrise Rotary Club was having a benefit dinner for Christie Caio. Proceeds are to help her heart surgery and medical expenses. The event was Friday, May 7 at Zuccaro's Holiday House.



or the recognition, it was up to the members to determine whether each situation was of mercy (lenience) or grace (deserving). Jessica was corrected for her announcement of the fundraiser in two weeks from Sunday, which really is only one week away (mercy).

Ieff's issue with **Iohn** was that he double-assured the vote with regard to becoming a member of the chamber. First, he asked for a raise of hands in favor and then asked for all to yell if in favor.

A fine was had for anyone with sauce stains on their shirts.

Then John had a person from each table stand for a question. **Glenn Burton** was asked if knew the beneficiaries of the fundraiser. He did not know. Bill Lee was asked what the tag line for the event was. He did not know. **Al Zuccaro** was asked if he knew where the event was being held. Luckily for him he kind of knew, but offered to pay.

John: Great job on recognition.







harles Muncatchy introduced our guest speaker Earl Rickman, Mr. Rickman served on the Mount Clemens School Board of Education for 25 vears. Not only is he serving as president of the local Mount Clemens Schools, but also

president of the National Public

School Board Association. Mount Clemens Schools had 6,900 students with a population of 27,000 residents' 25 years ago. Currently 1,975 students and 17,000 residents. There have been many challenges with a lack of funds for schools. Reducing the budget has forced many cuts - travel expenses and employees to name a couple. For years public education has been attacked by politics. Many of the plans haven't worked. Bush's "No Child Left Behind" came from the Texas school system. Obama's "Race to the Top" began in Chicago. Earl Rickman was very energetic and showed a great responsibility to do well for the public school system.



Chuck Muncatchy finished up by mentioning that Stafford, the Lion's quarterback, visited the King Academy this past week and was apart of the ACE program. He also stated that his school district has partnered with Michigan State University's College of

Osteopathic Medicine to launch the only Medical Bioscience Academy in Macomb County. A question by Don Torline that was directed toward Mr. Rickman was about his priority or mission he has for the school system. His model "Team Work/Dream Work -Together We Can." With the support of the staff and community, kids dreams can become reality.







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Nancy Dedenbach gave the newly arrived snow birds the opportunity to purchase Rotary pens since they missed the opportunity last week.

Minutes by Dave Meldrum

resident Jeff called the meeting to order at 12:10 and opened with a short prayer and the "voice" led us in the Pledge. A wonderful lunch of coleslaw, carrots, potatoes and ham was served by our church crew in their usual expeditious manner. Nancy Dedenbach orchestrated the music of "April Showers" and "Sing a Song to Rotary" accompanied by Jennifer Gale on the piano.



Cuests

Bill Himmelberger - the district assistant district governor from Romeo Amelia Brown - guest of **Dana Casson**

Christine Zimmerman, Denise Dorse and Laura Henderson - guests of **Jessica Stone** Former Rotarian Ralph Burton - guest and son of **Glenn Burton**Aaron Greek - guest of **Don Green**

President Jeff begrudgingly announced the resignation of our secretary **Penny Schulwitz**, effective June 30 due to employment obligations. Many thanks to Penny for all of her hard work and effort, and you will be missed, and always welcomed back. **Sue Diener** has agreed to fill Penny's position as a board member. Thank you, Sue!

Flowers were distributed to **Ken Kish**, **Dave Gerlach** (absent) and **Don Torline** for birthdays. Spouses' birthdays were also acknowledged for Candice **Miller (Don)**, Anne-Marie **Devantier (Ted)**, Debbie **Ternullo (Steve)**, Gretchen **Glime (Ray)**. **Bob Randolph** had a flower bestowed upon him for 57 years of blissful marriage! Congratulations! **Bob Cannon** and **Owen Pfaendtner** received the two remaining carnations.

- **John Walendowski** offered time for announcements and goodwill, prior to recognition. Glenn Burton announced (via \$5 contribution) for Bayview's media coverage, and **Don Torline** coughed up \$50 for the outstanding accomplishments of Baker College in several areas. Nancy Dedenbach announced a sign-up sheet for a Detroit Tigers baseball game on either August 24 or September 24.
- John also indicated that it would be advantageous to bring a guest to one of the next two meetings in order to avoid the woes of recognition.
 - John called upon **Scott Davis** to recall the "Grace or Mercy" issues of last week. John was full of mercy this week as he recognized Jessica Stone for bringing three guests. Don Miller was recognized for his cameo appearance in the film "You Don't Know Jack." Ken Kish coughed up \$2 for the article in the Daily regarding dry weather and low lake levels. (Ken, take a look out of the window -- it's been raining for three days!) MSU grads were able to fine a member of choice for academic achievements of the university. Owen Pfaendtner and **Marco Lavinio** each offered some cash for rare appearances to the meetings. Ray Glime chipped in \$2 for not knowing our newest member. Steve Ternullo evaded the fine by not only knowing Eva's name, but her occupation as a "spacey artist."

- President Jeff thanked all of the committee members for the efforts in this Sunday's fundraiser.
 - Kris Miele introduced our own Jessica Stone who prefaced our two speakers with a bit about the United Way and the Early Learning Committees. They provide free training and resources to providers who assist in school entrance. Jessica brought Christine Zimmerman to the podium who addressed the issue of literacy affecting kindergarten readiness. Eighty percent of our brain is developed within years 0-3, so children learn with lasting effects in their first three years. Early literary intervention has proven to be of benefit to society by lessening crime and ease of learning in school. Denise Dorse supported Christine's position and indicated Macomb County enrolled 600 persons in training programs that have resulted in 9.000 hours of childcare training. Play-and-Learn Groups provide excellent learning opportunities.
- Dana Casson introduced our next speaker, Amelia Brown. Through the Henry Ford Health System, the program "Neighbors Caring for Neighbors Clinic" has been initiated to provide health care to the uninsured. They have clinics in Mount Clemens, Warren, Washington and at Baker College. 16,000 patients have been serviced with 47,000 visits since 2004. They serve people with continuity and offer education regarding tobacco use, hypertension and diabetes.

50-50 was won by Nancy Dedenbach - \$44.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:40.

BIRTHDAYS

5/7 KEN KISH

5/7 CANDICE (DON) MILLER

5/8 ANNE-MARIE (TED) DEVANTIER

5/9 DAVE GERLACH

5/9 DEBBIE (STEVE) TERNULLO

5/11 GRETCHEN (RAY) GLIME

5/13 DON TORLINE

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

5/10 BOB & CHARLOTTE RANDOLPH (57)

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6/10 ARTHUR MULLEN
6/17 ARTHUR MULLEN
6/24 (SARAH LEE-ELLENA) JEFF'S
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Minutes by Eric Pierson ~ Photos by Ted Bolak

en Kish led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the meeting was underway. A beautiful day led to a sparse crowd. Scott Davis gave the benediction and chicken was served for lunch. Last time we had chicken, my theory was shot down as I received a breast. I was starting to think that our chickens had no breasts. Explaining this theory to Neil Dempsey, I noticed that he had received a breast and I was about to receive a thigh. Neil, knowing what a breast guy I am, and in the spirit of giving, gave me his breast and took my thigh. Thank you Neil, It was delicious.

Sarah Lee-Ellena thanked everyone for making the fundraiser such a success. 340 guests attended the event. 269 of that crowd consisted of Rotarians and their guests. The number of 340 was up from 165 in 2009 and 209 in 2008. Per President Jeff Furest, the bar has been reset higher. Great news for the schmuck who has to set it up next year. Oh wait, that's me. Amidst the comments heard was that the baskets were incredible. I received many compliments on the tastefest as well.



Guests

Mira Green - guest of **Don Green** Helen Groh - guest of **Phil Groh** Gretchen Glime - guest of **Ray Glime** Michael Haldavnekar - visiting Rotarian from Lake Nona (Orlando, FL)

Flowers

Steve Ternullo took to the flower duty first giving to Phil Groh to celebrate his birthday and then on to Sarah Lee-Ellena for her's and Mark's anniversary. Ray Hofner celebrated his 14-year club anniversary. Ray Glime purchased a flower for Mira Green. Don Green reciprocated by purchasing a flower for Gretchen Glime. Frank Bernabei bought a flower for Jennifer Gale for always doing such a great job with the music. Steve Ternullo gave a flower to John Walendowski for doing such a wonderful job as the Rotary Auctioneer.



Songs

Singing was led by **Nancy Dedenbach** who started with the sunny day standard "On the Sunny Side of the Street" and finished with "Vive Le Rotary."

Announcements

- Nancy Dedenbach brought a gift from the people at POHI. They put together a nice card with photos of all the things Rotary had purchased for them with the actual kids using them. There were many nice things written in the card as well
- **Steve Ternullo** reminded everyone that the third Thursday of each month is food bank day and to bring food or donations for the food bank on those Thursdays.
- **Phil Groh** pointed out to all Rotarians that it was Helen Groh who put together our songbook many years ago.

Recognition by John Walendowski

s today was an official bring-a-guest-to-Rotary day, anyone who did not bring a guest was asked to chip in a \$1 each. This was the beginning of a very expensive day for Rotarians. I hit the \$5 max and was never personally recognized for anything. **Bill Patterson** was fined for an ad in the newspaper, but his fine was reduced to \$2.99 out of mercy of the recognizer as he had the good taste to wear the same color shirt as the same. Basket winners were asked to recognize themselves. Only two Rotarians in attendance won baskets. **Joe Peruzzi** won his own team's basket. This \$655 valued basket cost Joe the max fine and **Ken Kish** also contributed for his win of the congressional basket put together by **Don and Candice Miller**.





As it was food bank Thursday, all Rotarians who brought no food were hit with a \$1 fine. Gretchen Glime had two of Don the balloon guy's creations on hand with her. She had brought them hoping to reunite them with their true owner, Carol O'Grady, but since she was not there they were auctioned off to **Ray Glime** for \$5. Finally, everyone who did not have their pin was hit with a \$2 fine.



50/50 WAS WON BY JACK HART.





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5/14 BOLAK, THEODORE

5/16 LARRY (CECILIA) MOLONEY

5/17 DEAN BELISLE

5/17 DAVE MELDRUM

5/18 PHIL GROH

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Presentation

ay Glime introduced our speaker and gave us some insight to one of his hidden passions. When Ray started to have grandchildren, he started collecting magic tricks to entertain them. He demonstrated briefly by turning a duck print on a handkerchief into a rabbit print on a handkerchief. He has purchased this and other tricks from ABC Magic Store, which used to be on Groesbeck then Gratiot and is in the process of relocating to downtown Mount Clemens.

Our speaker today was Dave Snyder, the owner of ABC Magic store. Dave equates owning a magic store to owning a boat in that it is basically a hole to keep throwing money into. Clearly, Dave runs the store more out of his passion for magic rather than for income. 27 years as a Boy Scout leader has taught Dave a few things. One is that he did not need the PA to address the crowd today and that performing magic is good for kids. It teaches them to be comfortable with getting out and presenting to an audience.

The majority of the presentation was a magic show, which is tricky to put into words, but I will try to give an image as best that I can. Dave started with a rope trick that bewildered Bob Baker, the selected participant. Although a confessed

non-psychic, Dave was able to guess Bill Patterson's mother's maiden name, the last four digits of **Bob Lee's** phone number and the card that President **Jeff Furest** had not even selected yet.

He showed us how to do a card trick using sleight of hand and a card with two faces and a card with two backs. He also showed us how to do a rope trick and a trick with two straws after sharing a humorous story about how he and a fellow magician often will have a contest on who can do the most tricks at a table while dining.

Dave then picked **Jessica Stone** and Jack Hart out to demonstrate an elaborate trick with a quarter and a fishbowl. I still haven't figured this one out yet. Dave also owns ABC Entertainment. Run out of the same building, they provide entertainment usually for children's parties. In addition to magicians, they have balloons and clowns. The store also has magic classes and every February, Dave invites fellow magicians from around the country to come out for a special workshop. It was a very entertaining presentation and the few people who did attend today, although likely \$5 less in their pockets, enjoyed a great presentation.





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Minutes by Eric Pierson ~ Photos submitted by Jeff Furest

Shane Brown led us in the Pledge of Allegiance today and **John Walendowski** gave the benediction. The ladies at Zion prepared a nice cool lunch of chicken salad and fruits for such hot day.

President Jeff started by letting all of us know that there will be no meeting on July 1 in observance of the Fourth of July weekend.

Sarah Lee-Ellena let us know that they are still working on the numbers from the fundraiser and they hope to have this info for us shortly so that we may plan a meeting with the beneficiaries.

Guests

Jane Selwa - guest of **Bob Selwa**Come Slavaire - guest of club/speaker/inbound Rotary
Exchange student from France
Bob Overhiser - Host parent of Come Salvaire, and a Ann
Arbor North Rotarian



Flowers

Sue Diener started with giving flowers to both **Don Carnaghi** and **Bob Leslie** in celebration of their respective club anniversaries. **Dana Casson** gifted a flower to John Walendowski for yet another great auctioneer performance at her fundraiser. Bob Selwa bestowed flowers upon all guests. Dana Casson then bought another flower for Jeff Furest for being the top raffle ticket salesman at her fundraiser. Finally, Our guest and fellow Rotarian, Bob Overhiser from Ann Arbor, purchased a flower for **Bob Baker**.

Sonas

Singing was led by **Nancy Dedenbach** who started with "Ain't We Got Fun" and concluded with "All Hail to Rotary."

Announcements

- I announced a Rotary Community Service event. We will once again sort food at the food bank on **June 8**. This is set for 6 p.m. that evening and more details will be available at the next meeting.
- Bob Leslie reminded us of the 90th celebration/President's Ball to take place on <u>June 25</u> at the Packard Proving Grounds. Cost is \$50 per person and it will be a '20s and '30s theme.
- **Dave Meldrum** announced that the boat outing this year will be on **July 22** at Club Island. More details to come.



Recognition by John Walendowski

ohn started out at **Jamie Fitzpatrick** for putting in her advertisement in an announcement of a golf outing



which I did not get the info on. The advertisement cost Jamie \$2.99. The balloons that looked so plush last meeting looked a little less so today. Although **Ray Glime** took the best care of them for their true owners, the O'Gradys, one flew out of a sunroof and the other had shrunk to about a tenth of its former self. This did not take away from the joy it instilled in **Chuck O'Grady** who happily paid the \$2.99 to return this handicraft to his wife.





Dana Casson was recognized and fined \$2.99 for her fundraiser. She took the opportunity to thank all Rotarians who attended the event. Terri LeClair was hit for \$1.99 for a cell phone faux pas last meeting. Best-Dressed Rotarian went to a exceptionally sparkling Valerie Miller who was happy to show off her "Bling." Knobby knee awards were bestowed upon Bill Lee, **Jim Haselwood and Art** Mullen for sporting shorts to the meeting. As John's final

week of recognition, his suspicions were confirmed that, indeed, they were more Rotarian fundraiser basket winners than the two previously reported. Jamie Fitzpatrick volunteered that she won her basket. As she put it, the basket that sat in the corner of a room in her home for two months is back in the same spot. **Bob Selwa** won the Detroit Tigers basket. Finally, **Bill Patterson** won the liquor basket. No Boone's Farm or Mad Dog, just premium liquors.

BIRTHDAYS

5/22 NANCY (GERALD) INNES

5/23 GEORGE SASSIN

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

5/26 BOB & LINDA MORRIS (20)

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Don Carnaghi (8), Bob Leslie (33)

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Presentation

B (pronounced ``coom``), Inbound Rotary Exchange Student from northwestern France. Come is currently in his second exchange. The first exchange sent him to Argentina.

Come started out by emphasizing what Bob had said in his introduction that Rotary Youth Exchange is about peace. He added that global peace can only be accomplished by creating global relations. The Youth Exchange program creates these kinds of relations. He is thankful for the opportunity the program has given him and has learned much more about the United States than he could have from France. He considers this the richest year of his life. He feels that the opportunities in both countries have opened his mind.

Come's accent, being thick, presented a problem for this scribe. He kept saying a word I did not understand. I finally came to the realization that he was saying "individualism" in a reference to freedom. It was hard to understand a lot of this, but he mentioned that America is the land of individualism and that this presents an interesting dynamic for someone from outside America.



When asked what food he would miss the most when he returned home, he stated that he will most miss the American breakfast that he enjoys with his host family every Sunday.

Come's host family is no stranger to the Youth Exchange program. Bob's daughter is currently in Germany as an outbound exchange student. At 38 members, the Ann Arbor North club is not large, but has been very active in the Youth Exchange program.

Bob is the Youth Exchange officer in his club. Bob gave us a brief history of the Youth Exchange program from its roots in Copenhagen, Denmark in 1929. The program was very popular, but remained relatively unknown outside of Europe until after World War II. Post-World War II it spread throughout the world with its mission to make a difference in the world.

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Minutes by Rolf Schroeter



he June 3 Mount Clemens Rotary meeting started at 12:15 sharp with **President Jeff Furest** presiding, his last meeting as president of the Mount Clemens Rotary Club. Jeff has worked very hard over the last year and deserves to be commended on a job well done. He worked tirelessly on the Strategic Planning initiative and the Rotary Guidebook of Excellence among many things and has proved himself to be a good leader. Thank you Jeff for a year well done!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Penny Schulwitz**, and the mealtime prayer was led by **Scott Davis**. Our home cooked meal was lovingly prepared by the illustrious ladies of Zion, and consisted of BBQ beefies, parsley potatoes, peas and carrots, and coleslaw. Dessert was an assortment of different homemade cakes.

Our guest was Tony Bartolameolli, of Image Elite. Guest of the club.

After we welcomed our guest, **John Walendowski** auctioned off a bottle of port, namely a 1995 Redwood that had been left over from our Spring Zing fundraiser. After a vigorous flurry of offers and counter offers, President Jeff prevailed and won his quarry for \$40.

It was also mentioned at this time that the total money raised at the fundraiser was \$62,180, with a net of \$40,000 to go to various beneficiaries.

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In a rather emotional moment, Jeff announced that longtime member Penny Schulwitz was leaving Rotary because of scheduling conflicts with her job. Penny has been our club secretary for many years now and has worked tirelessly and without complaint in that difficult job. Her encyclopedic knowledge of Rotary and passion for the club has made an indelible impression on us all and her service will sorely be missed. Penny has continuously demonstrated the true spirit of Rotary, keeping us all on track at board meetings, keeping notes, minutes and archives. She has also shown us the true meaning and strength of quiet grace. In that spirit and as a gesture of gratitude from the club, the board of directors has voted to grant Penny a lifetime membership to Rotary. Thank you Penny for a job well done! We love you. Please don't go far.

Flowers

Flowers were sold by **Jessica Stone**. First off was **Bob Morris**, buying a flower for Penny. **Neil Dempsey** bought a flower for **Val Miller**, and **Mary Ann Hosey** bought a flower for **Don Miller**. **Shane Brown** bought a flower for John Walendowski.



Jim Haselwood was our song leader and selected "Lazy River" for our first song. The Rotary song was "Rotary Will Go Round The World."



Club Announcements & Goodwill

- Ray Glime announced that the Detroit Rotary Club is having a ceremony next Tuesday, June 8 dedicating the restored flagpole at Belle Isle. It was designed by famed Detroit architect Albert Kahn. The ceremony is at 5:30 and 7:30. Please contact Ray for more information.
- Ted DeVantier announced the Mount Clemens Rotary Foundation has matching grants to benefit Lawndale Park and other parks in Mount Clemens
- Eric Pierson, who heads up the Rotary
 Community Service announced that Rotarian
 Eva Armitage planted the entire garden. Eric
 is now setting up a watering. Please contact
 Eric for more information.
- **Bob Leslie** announced the up and coming 90th anniversary celebration and Presidents Ball, to be held **Friday**, **June 25**. We will be celebrating our incoming president Sarah Lee-Ellena as well as 90 years of Mount Clemens Rotary. The location is the Packard Proving Grounds and Research Labs on Van Dyke, just south of 23 Mile Road in Shelby Twp. The theme is the Roaring '20s and period dress is encouraged. Also, if you have a vintage car, please feel free to bring it that evening. The grounds are on the west side of Van Dyke. Look for the Albert Kahn designed dormitory out front and that main iron gates that are shaped like the grille from a Packard automobile. This most definitely will be a fun evening. Please RSVP ASAP. Please contact Bob for more information.



Stephen Ternullo is announcing that Selfridge ANG base is having their golf outing and needs volunteers. Please contact him for more information.

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5/29 LARRY NEAL

5/30 MARTHA (PETE) RUGGIRELLO

6/1 Margo (Bob) Baker

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

5/31 ARTHUR & LAUREN MULLEN (7)

5/31 MIKE & GRETCHEN ROBINSON (24)

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O'Connor, who won sunglasses and golf rounds recently. Apparently there was some controversy over the location of the winning ticket, but Mike prevailed and collected his winnings. Four clams and 99 cents. Next in Julie's gunsight was John Walendowski, who ponied up the same for his "Mercy and Grace campaign." • • • • Bob Morris was cited for 20 years of marriage. Bob and Linda spent their anniversary in North Carolina. Bob paid 20 clams, one clam for every year of marriage. • • • • Val Miller was cited for having her own boat, aside from her husband. Reasons stated were that so her husband could commute from their island paradise to work. Four clams and 99 cents from Val. • • • • Cecilia **Moloney** went to her 50th college anniversary. One clam for each year out of school. • • • • Julie then targeted the tables for trivia questions from 1920. I missed the first question, but understand that the table represented by **Ken Kish** answered it correctly. The middle table, represented by **Bob Baker** wasn't able to answer the question "Who was governor of Michigan in 1920?" It was Governor Groesbeck. Tough question for sure! The third table, represented by **Bill Lee** also fared not so well. The question pertained to jazz jargon of the '20s, and was also not answered correctly. Another tough question, most definitely. The folks at the tables that were unable to answer their questions correctly were fined two clams each.

ulie Huttenlocher's first victim was Mike

Program

hursday's program was presented by Tony Bartolameolli, who has created and is now managing our website. Tony described as to how social media is now the fastest growing segment of marketing now. Social media is lightning fast, inexpensive and becoming the most pervasive form of communication of the 21st Century. Tony described how we are utilizing this technology with Mount Clemens Rotary. Things that have been linked to our website include Twitter, Facebook, Linkdln and other forms of social media. Tony also said how we have been able to find out unsolicited, the amount of hits people have made to our website with just the fact that it exists. Tony mentioned that as members of Mount Clemens Rotary, we can also advertise on the Rotary website, for a nominal cost. Handouts were passed around to all the tables explaining how to do sign-up. The costs are \$3 per month for a six-second rotating ad banner on our main Web page, \$5 a month for a 10-second rotating ad for each Web page. Ad size 300 x 100 pixels at 72 DPI -\$50 one-time setup fee. For more information, please contact Jeff Furest, Website and Marketing Chair at jefffurest@yourfinancialcoach.com

Thank you Tony for a most informative and interesting program.

The winner of the 50/50 drawing was **Neil Dempsey**. The pot was \$58.

Ding! Meeting adjourned!

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he June 10, 2010 Mount Clemens Rotary meeting started promptly at 12:15 p.m. with **Jeff Furest** presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Neil Dempsey**. Our piano accompanist was Jennifer Gale, and the mealtime prayer was led by **John Walendowski**

Our meal was lovingly prepared by our Ladies of Zion, which consisted of spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, Italian bread and assorted cookies for dessert.

Our guest was introduced by **Bill Patterson**. Our guest was Fran Boyd, mother of **Sue Diener**.

Our flower salesman was **Arthur Mullen**. First off to buy a flower was **Julie Huttenlocher**, who bought a flower for her father **Tom Davies**, who is currently hospitalized in Huron Valley Hospital. **Kris Miele** bought a flower for **Sarah Lee-Ellena**. **Bill Patterson** bought a flower for **Mark Zuccaro**, **Marco** bought a flower for Julie and Arthur Mullen bought a flower for Jeff Furest.

Jim Haselwood was our songbird, and the songs that we sang were "Take Me Out to The Ball Game," and our Rotary song was "A Helping Hand."













Announcements

- As I said before, Julie Huttenlocher said her father Tom Davies is in Huron Valley Hospital. Please keep Tom in your prayers.
- Jeff announced that June 24 is the beneficiaries meeting.
- Sarah announced that on the 24th as well is the debriefing meeting, discussing the "Good, bad and the Ugly" so to speak as to how the fundraiser went.
- Kris Miele announced that she is heading up the committee next year for lining up speakers for our programs.
- Arthur Mullen announced that there is a "blitz build," at Lawndale Park in Mount Clemens next week. Please contact Arthur for more information. Arthur also announced a benefit at Buffalo Wild Wings on June 14.
- **Eva Armitage** announced that the Rotary garden is in, and they will be scheduling watering of said garden.
- Julie announced that Community Service Project on June 8 went well.
 It was attended by five Rotarians, Eric Pierson, Jessica Stone, Bob and Margo Baker and Neil Dempsey. They were able to sort out three large bins of food in less than 2.5 hours. A good time was had by all
- **Dave Meldrum** announced the boat outing, to be held **July 22**. This year's theme is the Detroit Tigers.
- **Bob Selwa** is heading up the music committee for next year.
- Bob Leslie announced the induction party for Sarah, concurrent with our 90th year celebration, to be held on June 25 at the Packard Proving Grounds in Shelby Township. Bob also announced that John MacArthur will be speaking next week about the history of the Packard Grounds.

Recognition

he respective tables of **Bob Baker and Neil Dempsey** were fined one clam for incorrect answers.

- • Bob Selwa was fined for not being at Rotary the day after the almost-perfect game. He was reading to his grandson's kindergarten class. Three clams.
- • Sarah Lee-Ellena was fined for having a two-sided article in the New Baltimore paper. Four clams.
- • **Bob Cannon** was fined because he was inducted recently as the chairman of SEMCOG. Four clams.
- • Dave Meldrum was fined getting only two out of three names for the newly hatched peregrine falcons in Mount Clemens. Three clams.
- • Eva Armitage was fined for her recent acquisition of her new boat. Eva is having a bit of anxiety piloting her boat, so **Val Miller** is coaching her. Two clams.
- • Rolf was fined for having a typo in last week's bulletin. Incorrectly said that it was Jeff's last meeting as president. Rolf meant that this is Jeff's last month as president. Sorry about that Jeff. Ten clams.
- • Al Zuccaro was fined for bringing in his own cracked red pepper to season his lunch. Even though he shared with the rest of his table, he was fined three clams.

Speaker



ur speaker was Arthur Mullen and he spoke about the micro beer industry, and beer touring in Michigan. Arthur began by giving a brief history on brewing beer in America, starting with early ale brewing in about 1630. German lagering arrived about 1840 and is still a popular way to produce beer today. Arthur continued with the effects on beer during prohibition and the subsequent "shake out" of beer producers after the second world war. In 1980 began the micro brewery movement. Patrons began desiring more flavorful beers and greater varieties, and producers started to focus more so on quality and diverse style and tastes. A man named Michael Jackson, not the singer that we are all familiar with, but a renowned beer hunter said that U.S. produces the best beer in the world.

Arthur went on to describe how he started to tour Michigan in search of the many micro breweries and brew pubs. He started doing that in the late '90s and visited more than 60 by the end of '99. This rather interesting and detailed talk was concluded by stating that there are 83 micro breweries and brew pubs in the state of Michigan which contribute greatly to local economies by generating taxes and creating jobs. If you're interested in taking a tour throughout Michigan in search of micro breweries and brew pubs, talk to Arthur. He'll give you great advice.

Thank you, Arthur, for a very interesting speech.

50/50 WINNER: **BOB MORRIS** - \$41.



Linda May's garden - monarch on butterfly weed

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6/4 MIKE ROBINSON 6/9 BOB RANDOLPH

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6/7 DEAN & LISA BELISLE (13)

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Linda May's garden - yellow swallowtail on lilies

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Bob Leslie reminded us about our President's Ball and 90th anniversary party, on Friday, **June 25** starting at 6:30 p.m. Please contact **Mary Spaulding** to reserve seats. We need a headcount very soon. (*Mary, please reserve two seats for me. Thanks - Rolf.*) Bob also needs volunteers to help set up and take down for this event.

Val Miller reminds us about the upcoming boat outing **July 22**.

This year's theme is the Detroit Tigers.

Minutes by Rolf Schroeter

une 17, 2010 was a beautiful day and President-elect Sarah Lee-Ellena called the meeting of the Mount Clemens Rotary Club to order at 12:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Eva Armitage**. Our piano accompanist was none other than Jennifer Gale. Our prayer leader was **Phil Groh**, who also let us know about the recent passing of two longtime Zion Church members Mildred Schalm Moiser, and Robert Frederick Schwinke. Both have been involved with the Rotary lunch program at Zion Church for years. Please keep their families in your prayers during this difficult time for them. ••• Our meal consisted of baked ham, green beans, baked potatoes, that special coleslaw with apples and pineapples mixed in (Yum!) Bread was served as well. Dessert was assorted cookies and a choice of chocolate or tapioca pudding. ••• Our guests were Killian Casson, guest and daughter of member **Dana Casson**, and John MacArthur, guest of the club. ■■■ Member birthdays were: Charles (Chuck) Muncatchy, June 13, **Penny Schulwitz,** June 14 and **Don Miller**, June 17. Happy birthday to you all. ■■■ **Don Oldham** celebrated his club anniversary this month. He was inducted June 12, 13 years ago. Congratulations Don! ■■■ Our flower child of the day was **Arthur Mullen**. First off was Val Miller who bought a flower for Eva Armitage, who has been getting more confident at piloting her boat, thanks to Val's mentoring. Bob Selwa bought a flower for our guest Killian Casson. Dana bought a flower for Bob Selwa in return and **Bob Leslie** bought a flower for our guest and program speaker John MacArthur. Finishing up were Bill Patterson who bought a flower for Sarah Lee-Ellena and Joe Peruzzi who bought a flower for Arthur Mullen. ••• Our song bird was **Jim Haselwood** who led us in singing "Victory for MSU" and "You're a Grand Old Flag."

Announcements and Goodwill

It was announced that we need people to sign up for our various committees for next year.

Also Sarah announced that there will be a debriefing meeting next week on June 24 going over various aspects of our recent "Spring Zing" fundraiser. Discussions will be about what went well, what didn't and what can be done to improve for next year's fundraiser.



Much-missed member **Marty Rubin** is doing well and has been visiting with his family in Denver, Colorado. He has been there since March.

Tom Davies has been released from the hospital and is doing quite well at home. Please continue to keep him in your prayers for a fast and complete recovery and his return to Rotary.

Arthur Mullen announced that the Lions club is having a carnival in downtown Mount Clemens this weekend. From the size of it, what with all the rides and attractions, it looks like it will be a lot of fun. Please support our brothers and sisters in service with the Lions club and try to attend if you can. Arthur paid a \$5 fine for announcing a non-Rotary event. Money well spent for a good cause.

Val Miller is having a variation of a fireside chat. Hers will be a "seaside chat" to be held on Club Island on July 15. Please contact Val to sign up. Val said that if her boat fills up, **Steve Ternullo** will lend his boat to transport members to the island.

Recognition: Neil Dempsey

- Bill Furest showed up with a bandage on his forehead. Said that he will no longer allow his wife Carey to clean his rifles. Three clams.
- Don Miller was accused of the high crime of public theft. **Ray Glime** levied the charge against Don for stealing his library book, which by the way is overdue. Larry Neal was also fined for not "ratting anyone out." Larry said there are library association privacy laws that needed to be upheld. Yeah right! Sounds a lot like "HIPPA." I didn't get the amount of the fine against Don, but Larry was fined two clams for his silence. Don however said that he will pay the late fees for the book in addition to his Rotary fine. Interestingly enough, the title of the book is "Supreme Courtship." Don assured us that he is not getting any ideas.
- Those Rotarians that had NOT yet reserved their seats for the President's Ball were asked to stand and fined one clam each for their negligence.

THE 50/50 DRAWING WAS WON BY **CHUCK O'GRADY**. THE POT WAS 45 CLAMS.

END OF MEETING. DING!



BIRTHDAYS

6/4 MIKE ROBINSON

6/9 BOB RANDOLPH

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

6/6 DEAN & LISA BELISLE (13)

6/8 GERRY & NANCY INNES (24)

6/9 Don & Mira Green Mira (61)



Program

ur program was given by John
MacArthur, who heads up the Packard
Proving Grounds preservation group in
Shelby Township. John is also a member of the
Kiwanis club, another great service
organization. John became involved with the
Packard Proving Grounds in the late 1990s
when the grounds became in jeopardy of being
razed. John played a video for us that was
narrated by actor and History Channel
narrator Edward Herrmann who is also on the
board of directors for the Packard Proving
Grounds preservation and restoration. The
video told the story of Packard's birth in





Warren, Ohio, and subsequent move to Detroit. Packard's tagline was "Ask the man that owns one." Packard bought the property in Shelby Township in 1927, on Van Dyke, just south of 23 Mile Road. Famed Detroit architect Albert Kahn designed the gate lodge, which can be seen from Van Dyke, next to the main entrance. The gate lodge has a 10-car attached garage with dormitories above for the drivers and research technicians. Kahn also designed the other buildings on the site as well. The main gate was designed to resemble that of the front of a Packard. The proving grounds were designed be torturous to the cars, recreating the various horrible conditions that most cars go through during their service life. The 2.5 mile oval track was built so smoothly that it was possible to drive around the track without holding onto the steering wheel.

In 1928, a land speed record was set there that stood until the 1950s. That record speed was 148.7 mph. An aircraft runway was built in the oval and Colonel Charles Lindbergh flew in there twice to test fly aircraft there. The proving grounds were used for many promotional backdrops for years with Packard ads that were printed in magazines and newspapers. In the 1950s there was a reversal in fortunes with Packard, and despite the quality that their cars were built with, fierce competition wound up killing the company. Studebaker and Packard merged in the mid- 1950s. Unfortunately both Packard and Studebaker were carrying significant debt and due to that, Packard was unable to raise the money to fund the tooling for the 1957 model year changeover. In 1957 Packard unfortunately faded into oblivion, with Studebaker soldiering on for several more years. It has been said, if the 1957 Packards were built, they would have sold quite well. In 1961 Ford bought the property and used it for many years. In 1998 Ford no longer needed the facility and decided to sell off the property. The test track was removed in 2003 and a subdivision was built there. The gate house, repair shops, water tank, and airplane hangar were spared as well as the famed iron gate. A small section of the test track was also spared.

Princeton elms were planted along the gate house road to recreate the famed elm trees that lined the road for years that were lost to Dutch Elm disease. The Princeton Elms are more resistant to Dutch Elm disease. This was done much to the credit of John MacArthur and many other folks.

We hope that this program served to whet your appetite to come out to the 2010 Mount Clemens Rotary Club President's Ball and 90th anniversary celebration at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, June 25. Please call Mary Spaulding to reserve your seats and we'll see you there. Thank you John, for presenting this most informative and wonderful program.

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7/1 NO MEETING 7/8 (JEFF FUREST) SARAH'S INCOMING ADDRESS

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ATTENTION! THERE WILL BE NO ROTARY MEETING NEXT WEEK, JULY 1. If you come, the only sound that you'll hear outside of the central air conditioner would be that of your own breath. Unless you want hear that, don't come.

Dave Meldrum announced the boat outing for **July 22.** The theme for this year is the Detroit Tigers. Please sign up ASAP.

Minutes by Rolf Schroeter ~ Photos by Jordan Furest

oday's weather was pleasant, despite a bit of hellfire and damnation earlier in the week. We experienced heavy rains, lightning and thunder, high winds, tornados and even a 5.0 Richter scale earthquake in Ottawa Ontario, which was felt in many places including the Detroit metro area. However, there were no locusts or boll weevils this week. Despite it all (not withstanding our oily gulf), the meeting started promptly at 12:15, June 24, 2010. Jeff Furest presided. This was his last meeting as president. * * * Nancy Dedenbach led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, our piano accompanist was Jennifer Gale, and our mealtime prayer was led by **Don Torline**. * * * Our meal was prepared by the lovely ladies of Zion, which was barbecued chicken, parsley potatoes, corn, cottage cheese with peaches and bread. Orange sherbet with chocolate wafer sticks was our dessert.

Our guests were introduced by **Bill Patterson**. They were: Ann Petrieches from Henry Ford Hospital, guest of Rotary; Jordan Furest, guest of **Jeff Furest**; Carey Furest, guest of **Bill Furest**; James Radiosh, Macomb Literacy, guest of Rotary; Laura Henderson, Macomb Family Services, guest of **Owen Pfaendtner**; Amy Whipple, Macomb Family Services, guest of Owen Pfaendtner; Christine Zimmerman, Macomb Family Services, guest of Owen Pfaendtner; Tim Adriaens, guest of **Nancy Dedenbach**; Jennifer Callens, Macomb County Foundation, guest of club; Erica Hill, Family Leaps and Bounds

It was announced that Jeff Furest received his 5th Paul Harris award. Well done Jeff!

Our flower boy was once again **Arthur Mullen**. First off was **Bob Selwa**, who bought a flower for Jordan Furest, who was our photographer today. **Chuck O'Grady** bought a flower for Carey Furest. Not to be outdone was Don Torline, who bought a flower for Jeff Furest, and last but not least was **Dana Casson** who bought flowers for **Terri LeClair** and **Bob Cannon**. *** Our song bird was **Jim Haselwood**, who led us in "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" and "R.O.T.A.R.Y."

Announcements and Good Will

Bob Selwa announced Detroit Tigers themed trivia game to be played on the island at the boat outing. Please leave your IPods on the boat.

Val Miller and **John Walendowski** are hosting a "Seaside Chat," **July 15** on Club Island. Please contact Val or John to sign up.



Photos from Nancy Dedenbach: Mount Clemens Rotary Club Lawndale Park. Rotary gifted \$6,000 to Mount Clemens Downtown Development Authority for the park. My



granddaughter Luca Dedenbach is in the pictures watching the construction. "Luca Dedenbach thanks the Mount Clemens Rotary for her new park!"

Recognition ~ Julie Huttenlocher victimized the following Rotarians:

- Keith Lesperance as well as Bob Morris were fined for advertising on their shirts. Three clams to Keith, three clams to Bob, and an additional five clams to Bob for trying to cover up the fact.
- The respective table of Terri LeClair and Tom
 Davies were fined one clam each for their return to health, vitality and Rotary.
- **Don Torline** was recognized for Baker College having 874 graduates this year.
- The following Rotarians were fined one clam each for being the "Best of the Best" in Macomb County: Mark Zuccaro, Terri LeClair, Bob Morris, Frank Bernabei, Neil Dempsey, Chuck O' Grady, Laurie Wright, and Bill Patterson.
- Since this was Sarah's last meeting as a mere mortal Rotarian, she was fined five clams just for general principles, and all Rotarians NOT attending the President's Ball and 90th Anniversary Ball tomorrow were fined one clam each.
- **Val Miller's** phone went off during recognition, with the creepiest ring tone ever. Four clams to her!

DON'T SHOW UP NEXT WEEK!

CELEBRATIONS FOR JUNE 17 AND JUNE 24

BIRTHDAYS

6/13 CHARLES MUNCATCHY

6/14 PENNY SCHULWITZ

6/17 Don Miller

6/19 MARK ZUCCARO

6/24 LINDA (BOB) MORRIS

CLUB ANNIVERSARY
DON OLDHAM (13)

oday's speaker was **outgoing President Jeff Furest**. Jeff was introduced by **incoming President Sarah Lee-Ellena**. Sarah began by say how well Jeff has performed during his year as president, and how hard he had worked on the Strategic Planning Initiative. Jeff, with his education in marketing, was able to lead the club in marketing and branding and guide us into a new direction, which has resulted in an increase in membership this year. Jeff had many strategic planning meetings that went late into the night oftentimes. This was done in addition to the monthly board meetings, which also ran rather late sometimes. I think we all can say to Jeff, job well done!

Jeff's outgoing speech was from the heart. As a club one year ago, we had approached a 27% attrition rate, with a membership drop from 110 to 80. The week that Jeff took over, we lost five members. Jeff was also dealing with one of the most controversial aspects of Rotary International, which is classification. It was not an easy set of circumstances to assume the presidency. It was because of these circumstances that Jeff decided to make our club his project, making sure that we would create an environment that people would want to commit to and stay involved with, and get others to commit as well. Jeff realized that what he recognized is a pure desire for one to give ones own time, talent and energy, to make a difference in peoples lives, our community and our world.



As his last act as
President, Jeff awarded
to Jessica Stone the
"Rotarian of the Year"
award. Jessica is most
deserving of this award
and was not at all
expecting it. She was
most pleasantly
surprised.

Jeff, on behalf of the Mount Clemens Rotary

Club, I - we would like to thank you for a job well done as president of this club. Your hard work, vision, leadership and tenacity has left an indelible mark on the history of this club.

Thank you very much! 50/50 raffle winner was **Bill Furest**, who won a pot of \$52. Meeting adjourned. Ding!



Mount Clemens Rotary Club June 24 meeting minutes by Rolf Schroeter Jeff then recognized the following people:

Nancy Dedenbach, who is leaving the club board, but serving two more years with the Foundation. Jeff thanked Nancy for her mentorship, humor, tenacity and her friendship.

Jeff also proposed a President's Day, an idea borrowed from the Detroit Rotary Club. Both Jeff and Nancy have been influenced by all the terrific leaders in our club, and would like to recognize their contribution annually.



Kris Miele - Kris was called back to serve on the board after the loss of EJ Rozek. She had initially lost the election, but has done a marvelous job with the speakers schedule.

Rolf Schroeter was recognized for his sense of pride, integrity, and community history with Rotary and Easter Seals. His cooking skills were also noted. (Thanks Jeff, I learned under my mama's homespun horse sense.)



Penny Schulwitz, was recognized for her ten years of wonderful service.

Val Miller was recognized for her friendship and leadership. Val will serve wonderfully.

John Walendowski - his fine job as membership chair, his sense of teamwork in launching the website and social media marketing effort.

Soon-to-be-president-elect **Eric Pierson** in leading our club's service projects, getting involved and bridging our organization with the community.

Julie Huttenlocher was recognized for doing a fine job in helping to maintain fiscal integrity.

Sarah was recognized for her history, idealism and spirit. Jeff looks forward to mentoring and continued work with her and rest of the board.

What all these folks have in common is a capacity to give, and that's why we're here. Their efforts have helped to create one of the most successful fund-raisers since **Dick Pierson's** fundraiser of 1992 (Madonna Bra).

Jeff then gave out money to the following beneficiaries:

- Macomb Literacy Partners, directed by Rotarian Ted Bolak. \$5,000 from the MTCRF and matching grant from Macomb Rotary Foundation, an additional \$5,000.
- United Way, represented by Jessica Stone, \$5,000 from the MTCRF, and \$5,000 from Macomb Rotary Foundation.
- Mount Clemens Foundation, Jennifer Callens, \$6,000 MTCRF with a matching grant of \$6,000 from Macomb Rotary Foundation for the Lawndale Park Project.
- Mount Clemens Regional Healthcare Foundation, Mobile Critical Care Unit for the uninsured, represented by Rotarian Terri LeClair, \$6,000.
- Henry Ford health System Neighbors Helping Neighbors uninsured clinic, represented by Rotarian Dana Casson, \$7,000.
- Baker College Scholarship Fund, represented by Rotarian Don Torline. \$7,000 from MTCRF.
- ALS Therapy Development Institute, represented by Amy Whipple, Mike O'Connor's niece, \$10,000.

Congratulations to you all.

















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