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Minutes by Bob Morris

Today, at 12:15 p.m., a new era in the storied history of the Mount Clemens Rotary was ushered in. It was at that moment that President **Eric Pierson** applied the business end of a butter knife to the old Rotary bell, and began his first meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star-Spangled Banner" were led by **Neil Dempsey**. Piano accompaniment was provided by Jennifer Gale, and **Tom Davies** led us in prayer. Today's lunch featured a main course of baked barbecued chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans with almonds, bread basket, and cottage cheese with peach slices. A multicolored sherbet reminiscent of a California sunset was served for dessert.

Once we were fully sated from today's luncheon fare, President Eric updated us on the latest board meeting. At that meeting, the fiscal 2011/2012 budget and **Eva Armitage's** request for a leave of absence were approved. Eric also reminded us that the boat outing was scheduled for July 21 and that we should contact **Dave Meldrum** as soon as possible to sign up.

Eric reminded those in attendance that our meeting on Thursday, July 28, would be held off-site at the Concord Inn on Gratiot Avenue in Clinton Township.

Joe Peruzzi did a super job of welcoming our guests this day. They were Denise McAtee, guest of **Kris Miele**, Bill Pierson and Connor Pierson, both guests of **Dick Pierson**, and Helen Groh, guest of **Phil Groh**.

Mary Ann Hosey took on the task of peddling the petals. Both **Frank Bernabei** and **Don Oldham** received one for their recent birthdays. Recipients in the category of 'partner birthdays' included **Nancy Dedenbach**, **Sarah Lee-Ellena**, and Phil Groh, who conveniently turned his over to wife Helen, who was in attendance. Bill Patterson received one for his wedding anniversary and Rolf Schroeter got one for his club anniversary.

Don Green bestowed a bloom on Ken Kish for seeing to it that *The Macomb Daily* published the Declaration of Independence in time to be read on the 4th of July. Mary Ann Hosey bought one for President Eric as a welcome gift and Eric, in turn, bought one for immediate past President Sarah.

Frank Bernabei thanked Nancy Dedenbach for answering her phone and confirming that there was no meeting last week. Dick Pierson then bought one each for his son, Bill, and grandson, Connor. **Julie Huttenlocher** was next, thanking her father, **Tom Davies**, in advance for watching her kids. Don Green bought another flower for President Eric in recognition of Eric's decision to wear a suit on his first day. The last flower was put up for auction and went to Neil Dempsey for the high bid of \$4.

Bill Patterson led us in song, selecting "Keep Your Sunny Side Up," in celebration of the glorious midsummer weather, and also the familiar refrain of "R-O-T-A-R-Y." As usual, we were expertly assisted by Jennifer Gale on piano.

Announcements this day included a reminder by **Jamie Fitzpatrick** to bring in our Head Start learning materials to be donated as this month's community service effort. President-Elect **Bill Patterson** announced that he has established the *date of this year's fundraiser as March 25, 2012*. He also indicated that he would be calling on many to assist in making it a success. Lastly, a bit of Good Will was expressed by **Phil Groh**, who noted that Zion United Church of Christ had celebrated its 157th birthday on July 3.



Julie Huttenlocher was the recognizing Rotarian today. **Bill Patterson** was her first victim and was fined \$4 for the crime of picking a weird song during today's music segment. **Glenn Burton** was hit for \$3 for being best dressed. Proud Papa **Dick Pierson** was fined \$5 for doing such a great job of raising our new president. **Sarah Lee-Ellena** was fleeced of a \$5 bill for her willingness to sit with Eric at the front table even though it was her first meeting after relinquishing the presidency. **Frank Bernabei** was relieved of \$2 for showing up at Zion last Thursday when there was no meeting scheduled. **Tom Davies** attempted to evade his daughter's inquisition regarding a purchase, but to no avail, as he eventually paid up \$5 and admitted to the purchase of a new Corvette convertible. **Nancy Dedenbach** was next on the \$5 hit list for going RVing in Maine with cheapskate husband, Ron, who insisted that they simply sleep in the RV on the side of the freeway instead of paying for a slot in a campground. **Al Zuccaro** was in clear violation of the ban on advertising by wearing a Lite Beer by Miller logo on his shirt. His fine increased to \$3 when it was revealed that he, also, showed up at Zion last week. Similarly, **Don Oldham** paid up \$2 for doing the same.

As is the tradition in our club, President Eric was the program today, delivering his vision for the coming year. He began by telling us a little about himself and his background, having grown up in Harrison Township and spending a lot of time in nearby Mount Clemens as a youth. He attended L'Anse Creuse High and went on to get a law degree and MBA in 2001.

Being a part of Rotary has always been a goal of his and so has being president of the club. He reminded us of his father's service to the club as president and his brother, Bill's, previous membership here. His brother is currently a member and two-time past-president of the Richmond club. Rotary is clearly in his blood.

He applauded the training and support he has gotten since agreeing to become president and acknowledged the truth in **Chuck O'Grady's** statement that it would be one of the greatest things he will do in his life. Just standing there speaking to the club, he said, proved to him. All this, Eric feels, has fully prepared and empowered him to lead the club in the coming year.

High priority will be paid to increasing our club's membership in the coming year. Although many clubs have suffered loss of membership just as ours has, Eric is convinced that we should not take comfort in that. He wants the club to grow and continue to be the great club it has always been. Bigger clubs can do bigger things and it is his goal to have a bigger club once again.

To this end, the board has resolved to offer some incentives. Starting now and effective through November 30, there will be no initiation fee for new members. Further, any sponsor of a new member will receive a \$500 credit toward a Paul Harris Award. Two new members, therefore, will result in a full Paul Harris award to a single sponsor. In pursuing new members, Eric urged us to focus on friends and just plain good, fun people.

Eric praised his board of directors and complimented them on their enthusiasm and synergy. He introduced each member and expressed his excitement and confidence in what they will accomplish in the coming year. Eric also introduced each committee chair.

In closing, Eric recalled his recent experience looking through the archives of the club, which are stored in the basement of the Mount Clemens Public Library. He was taken there by club historian Phil Groh and was struck by similarities of the goings on of the club way back in the earliest days. If you ever have the opportunity, Eric highly recommends you take a look for yourself.

He then took some time for questions and answers and wrapped things up, receiving a well-deserved round of applause.

The 50/50 pot totaled \$48 and was won by Nancy Dedenbach. Should be just enough for one night at a nice RV park with a little left over for two ice cream cones.



From the Community Service Team

We are excited to begin a new Rotary year of Community Service in Mount Clemens and Macomb County! This year the leadership will be driven by Mike O'Connor and his community service team, but we need all Rotarians to be a part of this by giving of your time and talents to our community! We are planning to continue our community service project of collecting items each month to help give back to our community. This year we will be collecting items to give back to an organization for two months instead of collecting new items each month for different organizations. The best part of this project is delivering the items to the organization as you see what a difference our club has made in the community and learn so much more about the organization. All deliveries take place immediately following the last Thursday of the month of delivery. It only takes an extra 20 minutes, but it is worth every moment. Here is what is planned for the months of July and August. Rotary Club of Mount Clemens will be collecting educational materials for the Macomb County Head Start Program. Head Start is a school readiness program for 3 and 4 year old children. They address each child's needs individually in a play based and supportive environment. Head Start staff facilitates a smooth transition into kindergarten. The educational materials should be meant for the ages of 3 and 4 and examples would be early reading and activities books. Let's get going on bringing in donations to this week's Rotary meeting!

*Sarah Lee-Ellena, President
Mount Clemens Rotary Club
Mount Clemens, MI 48046*

Dear Ms. Lee-Ellena,

Thank you for the generous donation of \$6,500 from the Mount Clemens Rotary for Turning Point's children's camp! Funds will be used to support children in crisis who will be given the sense of security they need and an opportunity for some fun while in shelter. Please know that this gift will make a difference in the lives of many children affected by violence. We also want to thank you for your efforts in securing a matching grant from the Macomb Rotary Foundation!

Last year, 35 children experienced our camp program. Because of your generosity we will be able to offer this program again. Camp is such an integral part of our work with the children housed in our emergency shelter during the summer months. Through this wonderful experience, children who have had too many adult worries, are introduced to fun, new, age-appropriate experiences – experiences that don't involve fear or the sense of adult responsibility that often develop as a result of witnessing domestic violence in their homes. In addition, the children participate in field trips and other recreational fun activities that help to alleviate their stress during crisis. Many have first experiences such as the first time they go skating or the first time they attend a ball game.

Support from your organization will help many children receive much needed joy this summer. Thank you for your commitment to our community and these children. Turning Point is grateful to have partners like Mount Clemens Rotary as we strive to end domestic violence and its impact on individual families.

*Sincerely,
Suzanne Coats
President and CEO*



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With trusty butter knife in hand, **President Eric** rang the bell to begin today's meeting at precisely 12:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and *The Star-Spangled Banner* were led by **Al Zuccaro**. Piano accompaniment was provided by Jennifer Gale, and **Tom Davies** again led us in prayer. Today's lunch featured a main course of turkey macaroni salad with melon and strawberries, bread basket, and assorted cakes for dessert.

Nancy Dedenbach announced today's only official guest, her husband, Ron. Before doing so, however, she introduced us to her granddaughter, "the true love of her life."

Because of the boat outing taking place this afternoon, there were no flowers to sell.

No songbooks were distributed today so Al Zuccaro led the group in the singing of *God Bless America*. As usual, we were expertly assisted by Jennifer Gale on piano.

President Eric had the only announcements. He corrected an error in last week's bulletin regarding the offsite meeting at the Concord Inn. That meeting will take place on August 4, not July 28.

He also announced that **Ray Hofner** had recently married his longtime companion, Vivian. Upon hearing this news, a heartfelt congratulatory applause rose up from the membership.



Lastly, Eric passed along a message from **Phil Groh** announcing that Raymond W. Rocker, husband of Delores Rocker, had passed away last Saturday and had been laid to rest on Tuesday.



Nancy Dedenbach led recognition today. **Jack Hart** was her first victim and was fined \$2 for eating cake before lunch was even served. His offense was amplified by the fact that he dumped some quantity of crumbs on the floor in the process. As a defense, Jack said that there were two other

Rotarians involved. But since he did not name names, he was the only one fined.

Frank Bernabei was next on Nancy's hit list. He apparently commented on Nancy's pastel colored wardrobe by saying she looked like the Easter Bunny. One can only guess that Frank was unaware of Nancy's recognition duties at the time. Regardless, he was fined \$2.

Scott Davis was fined for having a healthy appetite. While sitting at the same table as Nancy, he polished off one plate of turkey macaroni salad, then promptly strode into the kitchen and returned to the table with another. Nancy levied a \$2 fine on Scott, as well.

It goes without saying that our spouses represent many things to us in our lives. Today, Nancy's spouse, Ron, was a prop. She stood Ron up at the front of the room so that we could all see his T-shirt. The shirt bore the images of six stone-carved faces familiar to anyone who has lived in this area for awhile. Nancy challenged each table to answer a question about them. **Sarah Lee-Ellena's** table correctly identified the images as being the carvings that appear at the top of the old Macomb County Building. **Tom Davies'** table correctly identified two of the images as representative of the Air Force and the Navy. **Bill Furest's** table correctly identified two others as being other branches of the U.S. military. All tables would have gotten away free of fines until **Al Zuccaro** was compelled to comment on how one of the images resembled former Fascist leader Benito Mussolini. For that, his entire table was fined \$1.

From the Macomb County Public Library: Most noteworthy among the design elements which grace the Macomb County Building's facade are the six granite figures perched atop the structure. When the designs were drawn, a military motif was favored because of the nearby presence of Selfridge Field. For that reason, the visages of a soldier, sailor, marine and airman were incorporated in the design. In a nod to the county's history, the figures of a Revolutionary War soldier and a Native American were added as well. The front and back of the building feature the Revolutionary War soldier and Native American faces. The sailor and marine face Cass Avenue, while the soldier and airman gaze toward Selfridge Air Base. Macomb County Building Facts Year built: started in 1931; partially occupied in 1933; substantially finished in 1944. Height: 13 stories, rising 219 feet above street level Architect: George J. Haas Cost: \$605,000

Since this was an abbreviated meeting due to the annual boat outing, there was no program today. However, **Frank McNelis** was allowed to fill a little time with a joke about logic. Well, it really wasn't about logic, but you'll have to ask Frank if you want to hear it.

The 50/50 pot totaled \$21 and was won by **Glenn Burton**.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 7/2 FRANK BERNABEI
- 7/7 MARY SPAULDING
- 7/8 RON (NANCY) DEDENBACH
- 7/10 MARK ELLENA (SARAH LEE-ELLENA)
- 7/10 ROSANNE (GEORGE) SASSIN
- 7/11 PATTY MCKAY
- 7/13 TIM ADRIAENS
- 7/13 DON OLDHAM
- 7/13 HELEN (PHIL) GROH

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

- 7/1 MIKE & HOLLY O'CONNOR (17)
- 7/6 BILL & SHEREE PATTERSON (26)
- 7/9 FRED & JACKIE DUEMLING (59)

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

- DEAN BELISLE (19), TED BOLAK (3), ROLF SCHROETER (5)



A future Rotarian has arrived. Jessica Stone and her husband Jeff are excited to announce the arrival of their daughter, Megan Alice Stone. Megan arrived on Wednesday, July 13, 2011 at 10:57 a.m. weighing 7 lbs. 11 oz. and she is 19 inches. The entire family is doing great and enjoying their time together.



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President-elect **Bill Patterson** called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. with a plank of a fork. **Tom Davies** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, the national anthem while Jennifer Gale accompanied on the piano. **Lori Wright** led the prayer. The menu of the day consisted of lettuce salad, turkey pot pie and fudge ripple ice cream.

The president-elect announced that the 2012 fundraiser will be held on Sunday, March 25 at Zuccaro's. It will have a party-like Caribbean theme with a steel band and a goal of 400 attendees. Mark your calendars now!

Kris Miele introduced our guests: Salvator D'Angelo, director of admissions for the Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility and **Nancy Dedenbach's** granddaughter Luca.



Mary Ann Hosey was on flower duty. Nancy Dedenbach purchased one for Luca. Bill Patterson bought one for **Val Miller** for an awesome board dinner and the boat outing. Kris Miele bought one for the speaker. **Paul Woodring** bought one for **Bob Randolph** for being a "Handy Andy." **Bill Furest** bought one for **Ken Kish**.

Kris Miele selected, "Summertime" and "All Hail to Rotary" as the songs for the day.

Next week, the club will meet at the ConCorde Inn.

Anyone showing up at the church can expect to be fined \$5 the following week!

- **Mike O'Connor** reminded everyone that this month's community service project is Head Start and to bring educational toys for kids ages 3 to 5. Also, the committee is asking for ideas for community service projects. Please send your ideas to Mike.
- Bob Randolph noted that the preferred seating for the "Big House" is sold out.
- **Jamie Fitzpatrick** indicated that the membership drive is on through November 30. Anyone bringing in a new member will get a \$500 Paul Harris credit. There are membership folders available at the meetings to give to prospective members.

More announcements

- **Bob Lee** noted that his father **Bill Lee** was recovering from a bowel obstruction and should be back next week. **Fred Duemling** is in Colorado for the summer. It has been duly noted that both Rotarians are greatly missed! Rotarians are asked to empty their pockets of any change into a jug that will be used as part of the fundraiser on March 25, 2012.
- **Nancy Dedenbach** has secured 15 tickets to the Tigers' game on Tuesday, September 27, 7:05 p.m. against the Indians. Six tickets have already been taken. These are good seats. Tickets are \$45, contact Nancy if you are interested.

RECOGNITION

Nancy Dedenbach made the recognition rounds. **Don Oldham** paid \$1 for a forthcoming photo of the back of his head at the Mount Clemens Bakery. **Bill Furest** paid a hefty \$10 for blatant advertising of his firm on his shirt that he was "testing out" for a fundraiser his firm is sponsoring for "Wigs 4 Kids." The man acting as president was fined \$5 for a water bottle. **Mike O'Connor** paid \$2 for a bag clip in the shape of dentures. **Cecilia Moloney** paid \$2 for a piece of AT&T junk mail with almost her name on it.

Boat outing photos from Jeff Furest:



SPEAKER

Kris Miele introduced Salvator D'Angelo, admissions director for the Martha T. Berry Medical Care Center. Mr. D'Angelo indicated that the current facility is very modern and completely remodeled over the past six years. He encouraged everyone to visit it and see how it has become a hidden gem of Macomb County. It offers short and long-term care. Residents vary from ages 40 to 105. Younger residents may be those with MS who do not have any care available at home. This weekend a patient will be celebrating her 103rd birthday. A new director named Jennifer Morgan has recently taken on the administration of the facility. There are many DVDs available about a wide variety of topics that relate to long-term care. The facility, once supported by the county, is now fully self-supporting. It has skilled nursing as well as a dementia unit. Although the updated rooms are mostly semi-private, there are full walls between patients unlike the typical curtains. The typical long-term stay is seven to nine years. On a side note, Mr. D'Angelo indicated that hospice is not just for those with just a few weeks or months to live and that they can provide assistance with longer term pain management at home.

Ken Kish won \$48 from the 50/50 drawing.

With the clank of a knife the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

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The August 4 meeting of the Mount Clemens Rotary Club was held at a new location. The ConCorde Inn located on North Gratiot in Clinton Township was host for the club's proceedings. Greeted at the door were 50/50 money-grabbers **Don Oldham** and **Paul Woodring** and they guaranteed that everyone was a winner. At precisely 12:16 President **Eric Pierson** called the meeting to order in the fine and spacious ball room of the Inn. Lending support at the head table were the “The Old Man” **Dick Pierson** and “not so old” **Keith Lesperance**. **Don Torline** lead the club in the Pledge and national anthem and **Tom Davies** gave the prayer for the day. Jennifer Gale made the north trek to provide the music. The Baldwin piano Jennifer played never sounded so good.

At five tables strong we dashed to the buffet. The meal consisted of tossed salad, rolls, oven-broasted potatoes, grilled vegetables and grilled chicken. Pepsi products were served as well, a first. Alas, there was no dessert for a disappointed few.

Pres. Eric announced that there will be a board meeting next Tuesday at Steve's Backroom hosted by **Bob Selwa**. The club runner e-magazine is promoting a “Fun Run” next weekend. Check there for details.

Don Carnaghi announced our only visitor but no stranger, Carey Furest to the club.

Next up were the Zuccaro Brothers to provide flowers and song. **Mark Z.** proclaimed birthdays for absent members **Jim Haselwood** and **Steve Ternullo**. **Don Green's** wife Mira was regaled as having a birthday as well. Then the flowers started to fly ... **Bill Furest** beat me to the punch in buying a flower for his wife ... Don Torline greased **Neil Dempsey** with a flower for being Recognition Chair ... **Bob Leslie** gave one to Mark Z. ... Mark Z. flipped a flower to Prez. Eric. ... Prez. Eric passed one along to the “best-looking Rotarian” **Albert Zuccaro**. **Jeff Ellena** “the good son” bought petals for his mother **Sarah** ... As a warmup, Al Z. lead us in a birthday song for the nonexistent birthday boys. Since the songbooks did not make the trip to the Inn, Al had to K.I.S.S. so we sang “Take Me Out to the Ball Game” (with help from Bob Selwa) and “R-O-T-A-R-Y.”



A club flag from Switzerland showed up at the meeting courtesy of **Bob Baker** who traveled there recently.



Announcements

Jamie Fitzgerald stated for the month we are collecting Head Start children's books, along with a membership drive of any new member brought into the club, thru November will receive a 500-point credit to a Paul Harris Fellowship.

Don Green declared **Cecilia Moloney** was off the market by way getting married after 50 years of dating ... way to hold out Cecilia ... Goodwill was nonexistent within the club.

It was time for **Neil Dempsey** to be the "finest" ...

Dana Casson swung for \$10 in the winning merits of her two daughters success in winning junior golf tournaments ... **Bob Baker's** trip to Switzerland became a little more expensive thanks to Neil ... **Bob**



Selwa's Detroit Tigers hat and glove hit a \$3 home run ... \$3 was the cost of a boat outing that **Bob Cannon** and **Joe Peruzzi** took recently in Lake St. Clair ... "Bad Boy Biker" **Don Miller** was seen in

Washington, D.C. and Oshkosh Wisc. riding his bike so it cost him 1.333 gallons of gas ... **Tom Davies** was accused of "working today." He did clarify that it was only a half day so a \$2 tax was levied ... It seems **Don Torline** has a problem with dates, places and emails so for being ahead of his time he paid in advance \$3 ... Bill 1st financial planning firm was in the paper but only his son Jeff was mentioned, sounds like a future fine ... **Paul Woodring** was a good Samaritan in saving **Don Oldham** from going to Zion church for the meeting but it did not go unnoticed so Don was out \$2.

The speaker for the day was President Eric and the topic consisted of where our club should meet. Pres. Eric's vision is to grow the club to over 100 members. He cited some of the other larger clubs in Michigan, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids and Detroit all meet at prestigious venues. The board members have been reviewing this issue for the past nine months and they believe it is time for a change. They specifically looked at three locations - Zion Church, Gowanie Golf Club and the ConCorde Inn and the pros and cons of each. Zion Church, our current location is becoming pricey, parking is costly, and the food quality and variety is lacking. It is central to downtown but for some perspective members the alliance with a religious aspect does not fit our non-domination policy. Gowanie Golf Club which is private, could be more costly, less private setting, not centrally located and possible difficulties in the winter months. The ConCorde Inn provides a large area, ample parking, catered buffet meals at the same price that we are currently paying. There was a large show of hands that were in favor of the move to the Inn. There was a spirited discussion between the members on the topic which showed they care deeply about the club and the direction we are headed. So it was resolved that the board will take this matter up on Tuesday and make a decision.



The 50/50 for \$49 was won by **Bill 1st** so Carey took the winnings home ...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

7/31 JIM HASELWOOD

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Our meeting was underway at 12:15 p.m. when President **Eric Pierson** sounded the bell. Leading us in the Pledge was **Nancy Dedenbach**, and the prayer was given by **Al Zuccaro**. We had a meal of salad, scalloped potatoes, green beans and ham; and for dessert we enjoyed a light and refreshing angel food cake with pineapple whipped cream topping.

Presidents Time/Special Announcements

President Pierson started the meeting with some sad news; the board has approved the resignation of both Ted Bolak and Art Mullen.

On a happier note, he also announced that the final decision has been made in regard to the change of venue for our weekly meetings. We will be finishing up the rest of August at Zion as usual. The first of September will also be held at Zion but it will be catered by Zuccaro's and we will be treating the lovely ladies of Zion to a nice lunch and thank you celebration for all the years they have served us. Our first official meeting at our new venue, ConCorde Inn will be September 8. We are all looking forward to this new chapter!

Eric also announced that we are looking for a Rotarian to head up our Sunshine Committee. This person will be responsible for sending flowers, cards and general “good will” to any Rotarian that is in need of a little cheer or congrats. Mr. or Mrs. Sunshine will also keep the club posted on: health issues, emergencies, births of children/grandchildren, etc.; of other club members. If you would like to be dubbed Mr. or Mrs. Sunshine or you know someone that would be a good fit for the position please let President Eric know.

Guests and Visitors

Don Carnaghi had an especially hard job today recognizing our guests and visitors; it was definitely a full house! We gave a warm Rotary welcome to: Lawrence Moloney, guest of **Cecilia Moloney**, Mel Mleich, a guest from the Romeo club, Chris Schuppe, guest of **Ted DeVantier**, Nick Gettleson guest of **Tim Adriaens**, Karen Mikhail, guest of **Dana Casson** and our two guest speakers Mary Ellen Zander from The Macomb Daily and Shea Prevost from NRS Media/Macomb Daily.



Hopefully we made all these guests feel welcome and we truly hope to see them at future meetings (don't forget that we are waiving the \$75 membership fee from now until the end of November. For more information on becoming a member contact me (**Jamie Fitzpatrick**) at (586) 601-6983 or at jamiefitz81@gmail.com

Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries

A **I Zuccaro** started off the fun by buying the first two flowers from himself to give to Larry and Cecilia Moloney in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary and congratulations for renewing their vows at St. Peter Catholic Church in Mount Clemens. Then **Kris Miele** also bought two flowers, one of each of our guest speakers. **Mike O'Connor** purchased one for **Bob Selwa** as a thank you from the board for hosting the board meeting and treating us all to delicious Middle Eastern food and drinks at Steve's Backroom ... yum! Nancy Dedenbach got a beautiful flower for her beautiful granddaughter and **Larry Neal** bought one for **Ken Kish** (but I couldn't hear why.)

Music



Bob Selwa led us all in song dedicated to Larry and **Cecilia Moloney** because of their 50th wedding anniversary. With their son and daughter and four grandchildren and other relatives and many friends, Larry and Cecilia renewed their vows Saturday at St. Peter Catholic Church of Mount Clemens. It was there that they married 50 years ago. In their honor first the ladies of the club sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" with the boys singing it back. Congratulation Larry and Cecilia!

Club Business/Announcements/Recognition

- We are in the final month of our collection of educational books for the Macomb County Head Start Program. Don't forget the best part of these collections is delivering the items to the organization as you get to see what a difference our club has made in the community and learn so much more about the organization. We will be delivering immediately following our Thursday Rotary meeting on August 25. It only takes an extra 20 minutes, but it is worth every moment.
- **Jamie Fitzpatrick** (not Fitzgerald) reminded everyone of the membership drive that is going on until the end of November. For every new member that you bring to the club you will receive a \$500 credit for a Paul Harris award. If you bring in two members you will get a Paul Harris Award! Also, during the membership drive we will also be eliminating the \$75 new membership fee!
- **Kris Miele** had some good will when she announced that she is now hiring! She is looking for a part time person (about 16 hours/week) to do some admin/office work. If you know of anyone looking for a little work please contact Kris at kmiele@sigmarep.com

After all the good will and announcements **Julie Huttenlocher** started in fast and furious! First she got one of our newer members **Elsa** for being the best dressed Rotarian this week! Then with fashion on the brain she swooped down on **Nancy Dedenbach** for \$5 for her "international flair" which consisted of a shirt and sandals that her daughter brought her back from Lebanon (Nancy was also wearing pants but I'm not sure where they were made). **Larry Neal** was fined for being a Super Hero for literacy! Due to his hard work a library for the blind and disabled was saved from evil! For that he was fined \$5. KA-POW! **Jeff Furest** shaved his beard and was fined \$5 - but that's not all - he went on vacation with his daughter and had such a good time he donated \$100 to the club! Thanks Jeff's daughter! **Ray Glime** got a proposal from Julie to have his table pay \$1 each for his replacement Past Presidents Pin. (His last one was lost in a fire.) Then Cecilia Moloney donated \$50 to the club (\$1/year of her marriage.) It was a good day for recognition!



Speaker/Program

Our speakers today were Shea Prevost and Mary Ellen Zander. Shea spoke about a seminar that will be taking place on Tuesday, August 16 and Thursday, August 18 at the Mirage in Clinton Township (see attached flyer for more info). The Macomb Daily is committed to focusing on the needs of our local business community. With that in mind, they have partnered with an international marketing firm to present the AD!mpact Marketing Solution. This unique marketing solution will show you ways to market your business more effectively and efficiently than you've ever thought possible. They would like to extend an invitation to view and experience the program that has been designed specifically to accommodate your business, and you will benefit simply by attending. The presentation takes approximately 30 minutes. It is the most important announcement that newspapers will be making this year and can save your business thousands of dollars. If you would like to attend please see the attached flyer for information on reservations to the event. For more information on the Macomb Daily or NRS Media go to www.nrsmedia.com or email Shea Prevost at shea.prevost@nrsmedia.com or go to www.macombdaily.com or email Mary Ellen Zander at Maryellen.zander@macombdaily.com

Congratulations to the winner of the 50/50 this week and with that the meeting was adjourned by President Pierson at 1:30.



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Minutes by Glenn Burton

On a beautiful day in August I made my way thru the land of orange barrels to Zion Church for the August 18, 2011 meeting of the Mount Clemens Rotary Club. I was greeted at the door by **Cecilia Moloney** who was looking for “Fiddy/Fiddy” customers. Assisting in the sales was **Bob Baker**. At 12:15 sharp President **Eric Pierson** picked up a butter knife and clanged the Rotary bell three times to call the meeting to order. **Franklin McNelis** was chosen to start the club in Pledge and national anthem. For the prayer **Bob Selwa** worked in a JP McCarthy angle of how every day is a “gift.” So true.

The meal that was served is **Mike O'Connor's** favorite, chicken shell pasta salad, fruit and bread. Dessert, of which Mike. O'Connor had two, consisted of cake and tasty banana bread.

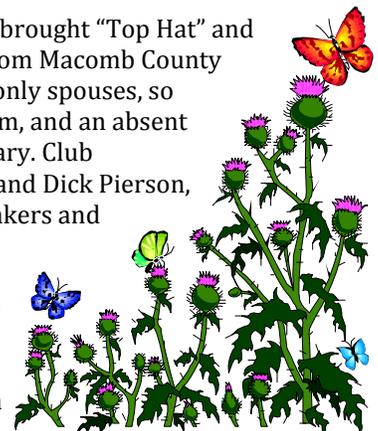
The best-dressed lady for the day was **Val Miller** as she collected attendance slips from the tables. President Eric mentioned that Linda May's husband is in Ann Arbor for a medical treatment so we should keep him in our prayers. God Bless.

One of Prez. Eric's goal is to expand the membership of the club. He is making it a personal pledge to grow the club by one new member a week ... go Eric ... Our new meeting location will be the ConCorde Inn starting September 8. So the next two weeks will be special at the church with the “Final Supper” September 1 which will be catered and we will serve the Ladies of Zion. An opera singer will accompany the normal fine music we are use to.

Kris Miele is looking to September 16 as a “Chicago” play will be held in Richmond; details and flyer to follow.

Jack Hart has become our “Sunshine Committee” so if you know any member who is need of cheering up Jack is our little “Rayman” for cards and letters. We were reminded of the “Water Jar Fleece” for change weekly to donate to.

Don Carnaghi mentioned guests, of which **Dick Pierson** brought “Top Hat” and the speaker for the day Terri Benson and Nicole White from Macomb County Habitat for Humanity. There were no member birthdays only spouses, so **Albert Zuccaro** gave a flower to **Mary Ann Hosey** for Tom, and an absent **Joe Peruzzi** and wife. **Phil Groh** had a wedding anniversary. Club anniversaries were celebrated: **Tim Adriaens**, one year, and Dick Pierson, 23. The flowers went fast -- two by Kris Miele for the speakers and highest bidder **Jack Hart** bought one for the “best piano teacher” Jennifer Gale along with **Ray Glime** bestowing a flower to **Nancy Dedenbach's** granddaughter. Bob Selwa lead the birthday song and then the club sang a beautiful rendition of “How Sweet the Sound” with **Bill Patterson**, Val Miller, **Mary Ann Hosey**, Kris Miele and **Don Oldham** front and center.



RECOGNITION

PROGRAM

Julie “**The Hammer**” **Huttenlocher** was next to announcements, goodwill (there was none) and recognition. Mike O’Connor had two for the club, “Head Start Book” program which ends in August and the need for a hands-on Community Project for September. Julie then called for all the “Macomb County Males” to stand up if they were “Old” or part of the Old Crowd, all were assessed \$1. Esteemed Chicken & Fowl judge Bill Patterson was plucked for \$5 for going to the Montana and Alaska state fairs. The retired Bob Selwa wrote an article for The Macomb Daily which took him 1,825 days to write, so due to slow work, \$5. Also in The Macomb Daily, Jack Hart is considered a school election expert \$5. All 11 Base Community Council members paid a \$1 for the upcoming Air Show. Our most-missed “**Fast Freddy Duemling**” was fine and un-fined ... The scribe, due to the wardrobe, was pressed for \$3. Sitting with the ladies of Rotary is \$5 offense for “Ladies Man” **Scott Davis**.

Kris **Miele** introduced our speaker, Terri Benson from Macomb County Habitat for Humanity, Christian based organization. Terri has been with MCHOH for four years and she started at the time of the Lee house. Over 100 families in Macomb County have been helped by them. With 14 house built over the years and currently, seven new homes are under construction and 19 under rehabilitation. The homes are sold on 25 year, interest-free basis with 250 hours of sweat equity needed for ownership. Housing classes are taken to help educate the applicants as to responsibility of home ownership. The goal is to give them a hand up rather than a hand out. Hopefully, as a club ,we can put together a team to help this fine civic organization.

Don Oldham won the Fiddy/Fiddy \$38

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PROGRAM CALENDAR

9/1 (AL ZUCCARO) JENNIFER
MUSICAL INTERLUDE FOR THE LUNCH
LADIES AND ROTARY

9/8 (ERIC OR JEFF) DAVID PALMER
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC “COMEDOR”
FOR IMPOVERISHED CHILDREN

9/15 (BOB MORRIS) JULIE
CHAMPION NATURE PROGRAMS AT
METRO BEACH

9/22 (KRIS MIELE) BRANDON
KNIGHT GREEN ECONOMY PROGRAM
MANAGER, METRO DETROIT

9/29 (KRIS MIELE) FUZZY MANNING
WELCOMING HOME VETERANS TO OUR
COMMUNITY

10/6 (KRIS MIELE) ELSA
SILVERMAN BRAVO EVENT FOR
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What you are about to read could be the truth or fiction...

Fresh paint on the streets greeted us as we made our way into Zion Church for the August 25, 2011 meeting of the Mount Clemens Rotary. **Paul Woodring** and **Cecilia Moloney** were rapidly selling the club's lotto tix's for the hopeful / suckers. The loose change bottle made an appearance by **Kris Miele**; those members who had any change, gave a deposit. At 12:15 President **Eric Pierson**, once again, brought out the butter knife and clanged the meeting to order. We have to get Prez Eric a gavel, the bell can't take it much more ... Our civic-minded **Nancy Dedenbach** guided the club in the Pledge and national anthem. Jennifer Gale provided the beautiful musical notes for the club to sing to. We were honored for the day to have in our midst the Assistant District Rotary Governor Bill Himmelberg, who gave a fine Rotary-based prayer. For our final meal that the ladies of Zion served us, the ever-popular barbecued chicken, green beans almondine, potatoes, peaches and cottage cheese with mixed ice sorbet for dessert.

Since it was our second to last meeting at the church, Prez Eric wanted to get started early. After 62 years and more than 3,100 meetings, we will be moving to the ConCorde Inn on North Gratiot starting with the September 8 meeting.

The speaker for the 9/8 meeting will be my nephew, David Palmer. David started an after-school education program in the city of Esperanza located in the Dominican Republic. The school has more than 100 students in less than one year of operation. He will give a talk about the “Joan Rose Foundation” and the needs the school has.

Next week, the meal will be catered by the Famous Zuccaro Family and served to the ladies of Zion, as a thank-you for their years of support to the club. Prez Eric put out a call to the club for the missing key to the Rotary cabinet, of which detective **Jack Hart** claimed the key was “hidden” on top of the cabinet.

Don Carnaghi greeted the guests and visitors, Jane Selwa wife of **Bob Selwa** and Bill Himmelberg guest of the club, along with our speakers for the day from the Richmond Community Theatre.

Albert Zuccaro sold the flowers for birthdays. I received one for the day of my birth, as well as Bob Selwa and Eric Pierson's wife. Nancy Dedenbach requested a flower for her granddaughter. **Frank McNelis'** kindness did not go unnoticed by **Julie Huttenlocher** so a flower went his way. **Phil Groh** cooked up a flower for the head of the Zion kitchen and big bidder **Kris Miele** popped \$5 for a flower for **Sandy Luenser**, one of our speakers.

Have a safe Labor Day



Our musical conductor was Bob Selwa, who gave us a 241-word travelog introduction to “America the Beautiful.” Bob was able to work in Pike's Peak, alabaster cities and a new Michigan location, Traverse City on Lake Huron. His victims accompanying him up front were Cecilia Moloney, Paul Woodring, **Sarah Lee-Ellena** and **Bill “big pipes” Patterson**, of which we sang all four verses.

Announcements & Recognition

Speakers~Program

Julie **Huttenlocher** brought her fine game. First asking for announcements --

- **Kris Miele** pitched the coin bottle donation program which Don Oldham will take over for the next two weeks.
- The tooth extractor **Mike O'Connor** was tooth busy to distribute the "Head Start" items so Prez Eric and his truck stepped up to make the delivery.
- **Val Miller** wore the membership hat and reminded us of our drop in #s from 108 down to the current 72. So any members who bring in a newbie, receive a 500 credit toward a Paul Harris Fellowship.

There was no "Good Will" for the week that anyone would admit to. So Julie went to work. Being on the front page of *The Macomb Daily* is a sure \$4.99 for **Nancy Dedenbach**, regardless of what she did and said. **Bill Patterson's** PET Certificate was walked on by Julie for a \$5 charge. Bill Lee's hospital stay earned his kids **Bob Lee and Sarah Lee-Ellena** a \$3 premium. My spell-check proofreading error cost me \$5 (remember it could be fiction). Mount Clemens Rotary promoter Rolf Schroeter was a dream cruiser over the weekend, complete with Rotary stickers on his classic car, at a cost of a gallon of gas. Another classic car buff **Dick Pierson**, got smacked for \$3. Just so Julie did not hurt anyone's feelings or pocketbooks a sliding scale fine based on years in the club was assessed from \$5-\$1.

50/50 for \$58 was taken by **Bob Selwa**.



Kris **Miele** introduced our speakers, Max and Sandy Luenser of the Richmond Community Theatre (RCT). The RCT was at our club last year to promote "Dracula" which was attended by 20 members. This year the RCT was here to give us a taste of "Chicago" a play they

will be performing on September 16 at 8 p.m. for a cost of \$15 per person. The RCT is located at 69619 Parker St., Richmond. Please sign up or call Kris at (586) 321-2611 for tickets. A 6 p.m. dinner at Bregman's Inland in be hosted for an additional fee. Max Luenser was here to razzle and dazzle the club. The RCT has been in existence since 1965 and moved the current location, a church, in 1973. The church is recognized in the National Historic Register and due to its age requires much upkeep. So the RCT is a great way for them to fund their improvements. They can hold up to 100-120 people for a performance and have had more than 13,000 attend their shows in the last 46 years. Four members of the RCT performed a series of high energy skits from "Chicago" as a preview for the club. It should be a fun night.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

8/9 GERRY INNES
8/14 TOM (MARY ANN) HOSEY
8/14 JOANNE (JOE) PERUZZI
8/22 JANE (BOB) SELWA
8/23 MELLISA (ERIC) PIERSON
8/25 GLENN BURTON

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

8/9 SUE & DAVE DIENER (36)
8/10 STEVE & DEBBIE TERNULLO (32)
8/18 PHIL & HELEN GROH (54)

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BEACH

9/22

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Minutes by Jamie Fitzpatrick

The last meeting at Zion Church started promptly at 12:15 p.m. when President Eric chimed the bell with his butter knife. **Rolf Schroeter** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance without any piano accompaniment! (I believe Jennifer Gale was working on a very important special gift for the ladies of Zion.) **Scott Davis** led us all in prayer and we all lined up for our wonderful buffet style lunch provided by **Mark Z.** and the wonderful people at Zuccaro's Catering. We were treated to chicken and artichokes, pasta with red sauce, green beans, pasta salad, a fresh garden salad (with tomatoes fresh from **Papa Al Zuccaro's** garden) and a variety of desserts.

Don Carnaghi filled us in on our two guests: the lovely Mama Lillian Zuccaro who was a guest of Papa Al's. Our other guest was the VERY talented Tamara Whitty who provided us with a very special midday treat.

President Eric wants to remind us of the membership drive that is going on until the end of November and that the district governor will be at our meeting on October 13.

Larry Neal started the flower sales by selling the first to **Bob Selwa** who gave it to Jamie Fitzpatrick (I'm not sure why because I was distracted selling more 50/50 tickets -- but thank you Bob :)). Larry Neal bought a flower for **Don Green** who was the only Rotarian present who was there in 1949 for the first meeting at Zion and again in 2011 for the last. Nancy finished up the flower sales by getting one for the beautiful future Rotarian Luca.

Keeping it short, Al Zuccaro, A.K.A. Papa Zuccaro, led us with just one song -- “R-O-T-A-R-Y!”

After the music we were reminded of the September social event: Richmond Community Theatre's presentation of “Chicago” (see reverse).



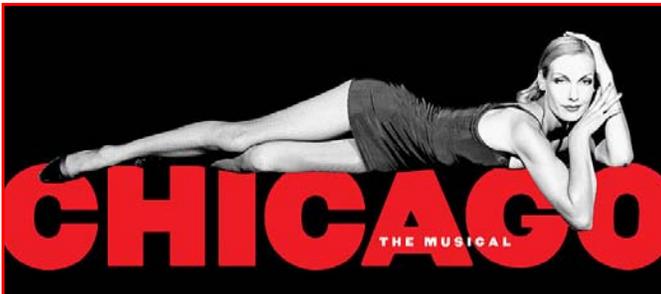
Then **Nancy Dedenbach** was out for blood with a quiz on fish. First was Don Carnaghi's table with a question about mercury in fish which he got correct so his table was not assessed a fine. The next was Rolf Schroeter's table with a question about eating the organs of the fish and he got that one correct and his table got off scot-free. The last question was for **Mary Ann Hosey's** table and it was if it was OK to eat swordfish. She said “sometimes” which was incorrect. The correct answer is DON'T EAT swordfish because it has the highest content of mercury. Then Nancy went back to Papa Zuccaro's table and made everyone pay up for the wonderful, tasty tomatoes that he provided.

After recognition Prez. Eric gave a wonderful farewell speech to honor the Ladies of Zion which was followed up by a farewell speech from the head Lady of Zion Marge Russ. Marge took a few minutes to thank us for our time at Zion and said she was going to miss seeing us on Thursdays for lunch. Our club has been meeting at Zion Church since 1949, with a little lapse.

To show the ladies how much we appreciate the time that they have put into feeding us we treated them to lunch and a wonderful musical interlude which included the mezzo-soprano, Tamara Whitty. What a wonderful midday treat for all of us. We all agreed that it was great to hear our own Jennifer Gale on piano. It truly was a great sendoff.

See you all at ConCorde Inn on Thursday!

Tamara Lehew Whitty, mezzo-soprano, began singing, dancing and acting as a young girl in her home town of Butler, PA. She continued her education at Syracuse University as a student of Helen Boatwright. Active in both the music and the musical theater programs throughout Syracuse, she completed three degrees (BA music history, BM voice performance and MM voice performance). Since moving to Grosse Pointe Park in 1995, Tamm has been a regular member of Michigan Opera Theater's AGMA Chorus and has performed roles in Anoush, The Marriage of Figaro, and The Pirates of Penzance. She was also a member of the MOT Outreach Program for whom she has performed Hansel in Hansel and Gretel and other characters for audiences throughout the state. Her love of music theater has led Tamm to perform various cabarets in the Detroit area and her theater credits include Yum Yum (Mikado) and Lucy (You're a Good Man Charlie Brown.) She has been a soloist at the Lexington Bach Festival, with the Detroit Concert Choir, DeHaven Chorale, and the Metropolitan Detroit Chorale. As a recitalist, she has performed in Detroit, Boston, Syracuse, Cincinnati, Windsor and Paris (France). For seven years, Tamm served as music director for Grosse Pointe United Church conducting four ensembles and was Children's Chorus director at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. In 2000, she was recipient of a cultural exchange scholarship to study and perform with the Operalaboratorio di Palermo in Sicily and in 2003 returned to Europe for intensive study with the Pantheatre in Paris. Tamm has been teaching private voice for 16 years in several area high schools and at her own studio in Grosse Pointe Park. She is proud to be on the faculty and Artist in Residence at the Mount Clemens Arts Consortium.



Richmond Community Theatre

presents

“Chicago”

**murder, greed, corruption, violence,
exploitation, adultery, and treachery ... all
those things we hold near and dear to our
hearts**

**Book by Fred Edd and Bob Fosse
Music by John Kander and Lyrics by Fred Edd
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Dinner at Bregman's Innland at 6 p.m.
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Minutes by Jamie Fitzpatrick ~ Photos by Jeff Furest

It was a dark and rainy Thursday afternoon as the members of the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens slowly made their way through the large gathering room at the ConCorde Inn. As usual the air was filled with chitchat and goodwill as we all choose the seats where we would spend the next hour and 15 minutes. Then all of a sudden, at precisely 12:15 p.m., a loud CLANK rang out! It was the sound of a butter knife hitting a bell which told everyone that President **Eric Pierson** was ready to start our meeting. First, **Jeff Furest** led us all in the Pledge of Allegiance which was a prelude to the national anthem with Jennifer Gale at the piano. Then **Don Torline** led us all in prayer and we lined up for grub.

Lunch consisted of delicious cream of cauliflower soup, a sandwich bar with tasty croissants and an assortment of meats, cheeses and fixings an assortment of salads and it was all followed up with a cookie!

As we were all quietly stuffing our faces, President Eric began with his announcements. If we need anything during our meeting we should ask Linda - she works at the ConCorde Inn and will be floating around during our meetings. Also, Andy and Kristin are the event coordinators at the ConCorde and can assist us if we need any help with big picture things. The ConCorde Inn also wants to show their gratitude for us choosing them as our new meeting place and has extended a 10 percent discount off events that Rotarians book at the hotel as well as a six-month membership to their gym for only \$100. They are also giving us a discount on Jacuzzi suites for only \$89/night! The president also wanted to let the membership know that this month's board meeting will be held at Bill Patterson's house next Tuesday.

Next up we had Mr. Sunshine, A.K.A. **John Hart**, give us an update on Linda May's husband's condition. The doctors are still trying to figure out what is going on and still don't have a definitive answer to what is actually wrong with him. (From Linda: Larry has a large left-side brain lesion very deep in the speech/right-side control center of his brain. Two biopsies have not determined what it is. They are now thinking glioma or lymphoma.) Our thoughts and prayers ♥ are with Linda and her family and will continue to be with them until we hear good news.

Ted DeVantier introduced us to the faces in the crowd that weren't familiar -- **Ralph Burton** with Virginia, and Terri Palmer, Sal DeAngelo and Jennifer Morgan, and our guest speaker Dave Palmer. After giving them a warm Rotary welcome **Mike O'Connor** started selling this flowers. The first was bought for me by Eric Pierson for helping him move our stuff from Zion to their new home at ConCorde. Jeff got a flower for one of our guests Terri Palmer; **Sue Coats** bought a flower for Jennifer Gale for her beautiful music. Mike O'Connor bought one for our guests and **Don Carnaghi** bought one for Prez Eric Pierson for being tall (actually I'm not sure the real reason:)).





Al Zuccaro led us in a few songs -- the very appropriate "Rain Drops Keep Falling on My Head" and the Rotary song "A Helping Hand" which was not our best performance but what was important is that we tried!

Next, **Julie Huttenlocher** opened the floor for goodwill and announcements and **Sue Coats** from Turning Point wanted to let us know of a couple of events that are going on soon. On September 30 they are having a luncheon and shelter open house and on October 1 to kick off Domestic Violence Month there is the Tara Grant Memorial Walk which is a 5k/10k run/walk/bike. You can find more information for both events on their website, www.turningpointmacomb.org or by calling (586) 463-4430.

The next announcement was from one of our guests, Jennifer Morgan, who wanted to let us all know about a study going on with the American Cancer Society. The study is open to anyone who is willing to make a long-term commitment, is between 30 and 65 years old and who has never been diagnosed with cancer. For more information visit www.seeuthere.com/cps3enroll/southeastmi or refer to the information sheet included with this week's newsletter.

Don Torline had some goodwill to share with the group about Baker College. The students that took their state license exams for medical assistants, surgical technicians, health information technicians, radiology and nursing. ALL PASSED! Congratulations to them and the facility at Baker College!

Once goodwill and announcements were finished Julie Huttenlocher started recognition. The first to be recognized was **Frank Bernabei** for his killer dressing skills. Then poor, hungry **Jim Haselwood** was fined for skipping to the end of the line at lunch to get a cookie to eat while he waited for his turn for a sandwich. **Chuck O'Grady** was singled out as a Wolverine to set up a bet for the game this weekend against Notre Dame -- the rules are: if Michigan wins, the alumni will pay \$3 and if they lose they will pay \$5 ... can't wait to see them pay \$5 next week! Then, the honest Julie Huttenlocher fined herself \$2 for making a wrong turn and ALMOST going to Zion today. She then fined **Nancy Dedenbach** for not showing up today because it was her turn to do recognition! She also fined **Art Niederkohr** for being the Chamber of Commerce's Member of the Month (he gets to display the trophy at his chiropractic office all month!)



Jeff Furest then had the honor of introducing our speaker. Dave Palmer, the founder of the Joan Rose Foundation, is a very inspiring young man! The Joan Rose Foundation was founded in 2010. It would not be possible if not for the generosity and support of people in the

Detroit area as well as some donors from other parts of the United States.

"I would like to thank each and every person who has contributed their hard-earned money or spent their valuable time helping us. We currently operate in the city of Esperanza in the Dominican Republic."

The Joan Rose Foundation currently has one development program, or comedor, in Esperanza, Dominican Republic. Esperanza is a rural community located in the northwest of the Dominican Republic made up of Dominicans and Haitians. It has a population of about 70,000 and the majority of its inhabitants either work in the fields or in factories in the free trade zone. Neither of these jobs pays enough money to support a family and the community is exceedingly poor.

The comedor/development program is called the Rose Center and is a place where children can go during the hours after school and before their parents get home. The center provides the children with a hearty lunch, clothing, medicine, medical checkups, education and character development. The meal generally consists of a salad, rice, beans, a protein source and a daily multivitamin. This lunch generally doubles or triples these children's daily caloric intake, and has been specifically designed to provide essential nutrients and vitamins crucial for development.

Children in our program are provided with basic clothing necessities they may previously have gone without. However, extra clothing such as shoes, dresses, sandals, and other prizes are rewarded to children for exemplary behavior.

Each child is given a medical examination upon entry of the Rose Center. Any necessary medication is brought to the children and a doctor runs recommended tests. They continue to get medical attention as needed and biannual checkups.

The children also receive education in a wide variety of subjects. Every child is taught reading, writing and math. Children can also learn about history and science if they choose. Older children are also taught how to weld along with other trades. Lastly the children are taught character development and other basic life skills. This encompasses everything from conflict resolution, to saving money, to basic health information. The Joan Rose Foundation seeks to prepare these children for the real world, whether that includes going to a university or working in a trade job.

For more information please visit www.joanrosefoundation.com, if you would like to make a donation please make checks payable to: Joan Rose Foundation, 1471 N. Glengarry, Bloomfield, MI 48301.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. with the 50/50 raffle winner, Mr. Sunshine - **John Hart**, walking away with a cool \$45!

A reminder to everyone that our membership drive is in full effect! From now until the end of November we are waiving our \$75 new member fee! We are also awarding a \$500 Paul Harris credit for every new member a Rotarian brings in from now until the end of November. What a great time to invite someone to a meeting at our new location! Also, this week's meeting had the highest attendance of all meetings this year and we had a total of seven guests! Yeah! Let's keep letting people know about the best kept secret in the Mount Clemens area!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
9/5 **GAIL (BOB) LEE**

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!
9/1 **MARK & CATHY ZUCCARO (23)**
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Our meeting was underway at 12:15 p.m. when President **Eric Pierson** sounded the bell. Leading us in the Pledge was **Larry Neal** and President Eric Pierson asked that we all have a moment of silence for our prayer before our meal today. We had a wonderful meal of chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes, salad and carrot cake for dessert.

President's Time/Special Announcements

President Pierson started the meeting with a lot of announcements: first the board meeting was on Tuesday at **Bill Patterson's** house and we made a lot of decisions (by the way -- thank you Bill and Sheree for the wonderful hospitality!) We are deciding to donate \$250 to the Santa Parade in Mount Clemens, just like we do every year. We have also decided to donate \$50 to the Civil Air Patrol to have the cadets carry our banner for us in the parade (unless anyone would like to do it!) We are asking that Rotarians bring in bags of candy for them to throw while they march. We are also going to purchase two cases of Green Mountain Coffee. We will be selling the bags of coffee for \$10 and a portion of the money will go to the Rotary Water Project, Rotary International and our club will also make a little money on the deal! For more info on the coffee see the back page of this month's *Rotarian Magazine*.

- President Pierson also wanted to clarify the guest lunch policy. When you bring a guest to lunch you are expected to pay for their meals until they fill out an application. Once the application is filled out and turned into the board they will be considered guests of the club and their lunch will be covered by the club.
- He also informed us that Scott Davis has resigned his membership. Eric also asked if anyone knew who to contact to change the Rotary street signs to reflect our new meeting location to which **Bob Morris** said he would help get that done.
- Also, if you would like to send out an email to all the members of the club, please just email mountclemensrotary@gmail.com and we will email it out to the members.
- Also, please be aware that there is parking in back of the ConCorde Inn if you are having trouble finding spaces up front.

There were some awards handed out to the members with perfect attendance. The members who received the award were: **Eric Pierson, Jamie Fitzpatrick, Bill Patterson, Valerie Miller, Sarah Lee-Ellena, Bob Selwa, Al Zuccaro, Bob Baker, Bob Randolph and Phil Groh.**



SunShine

Mr. Sunshine was absent from the meeting so **Julie Huttenlocher** passed on some news. **Nancy Dedenbach** had an accident. She was the passenger in a golf cart that flipped a few times causing her to break her collarbone and clavicle. She is healing at home. We all hope Nancy heals quickly! Also **Bob Randolph's** wife took a spill and had to get surgery. Bob's family will be in are prayers as well for a quick recovery!

Guests and Visitors

Don Carnaghi introduced our only guest and our speaker for the day: Julie Champion.

Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Mike O'Connor was selling flowers today. The first went to **Bill Patterson** who was celebrating his four-year anniversary with the club -- Mike is putting that flower on his tab. Next **Dana Casson** bought one for **Ken Kish** and then **Jeff Furest** bought one to give to his daughter Jorden for her 16th birthday (hopefully that isn't the only gift she is getting). Then **Bob Selwa** got one for **Bill Patterson** to share with his wife Sheree for hosting the board meeting (the food was wonderful and of course ... so was the wine). **Don Green** bought the next one for **Bob Cannon** and Bill Patterson bought one for Julie (our speaker) and **Bob Morris** bought one for **Sue Blanchard** (which **Sue Diener** will deliver). And the last one went to **Sarah Lee -Ellena** from her brother **Bob Lee**.



Music

Al Zuccaro led us all in an appropriate song "Button Up Your Overcoat" and "Roll Rotary."

Club Business/Announcements/Recognition

■ **Neil Dempsey** reminded us about the play Chicago on Friday night. Dana Casson wanted to make sure we all were planning on going to the Festival of the Senses on August 24 and 25. Go to www.ctfestivalofthesenses.com for more information.

■ **Dick Pierson** was planning the cider mill trip and wanted to see if Saturday or Sunday was best for people, there will be more info on that soon. **Glenn Burton** donated some money to the club in honor of his son speaking at the last meeting.



Thank you! They are beautiful. ~~ Larry & Linda

■ **Jamie Fitzpatrick** asked people to donate some cash to send flowers to Linda May just so that she knows we are thinking of her and her husband during this difficult time, to which **Jeff Furest** donated



\$50 and a few other Rotarians also donated for the flowers. (Hope you liked them Linda!)

■ **Chuck O'Grady** wanted to let everyone know that he was embarrassed to be singled out as a Wolverine -- he said he HATES MICHIGAN! (I embellished a little.) Then Chuck O'Grady, **Julie Huttenlocher**, Mike O'Connor and Frank McNelis all paid up for the game last weekend. Mike O'Connor wanted to make it clear that he went to Michigan for dental school only and he doesn't consider himself a Wolverine. He did however pay his debt. Dana Casson's table got fined \$1 for the front page picture of her daughter Killian, a ninth-grader, was the medalist at the county golf tournament as she shot 77 at Cherry Creek. She helped Utica win the team championship! Dana agreed that is was worth \$5 to her! Good work Killian!



■ Then Bob Selwa presented the club with a "flag" from Posen Potato festival and paid a "few bucks" in its honor. Joe Peruzzi was fined a few bucks for walking across the Mackinac Bridge over the weekend. Then when we thought it was all over **Frank Bernabei** fined **Bill Furest** for calling the Rotarian girls that received perfect attendance ugly. Frank stated that you can call the men ugly all you want to the girls are all very pretty -- Thank you Frank!

■ Finally, **Jamie Fitzpatrick** reminded everyone of the membership drive that is going on until the end of November. For every new member that you bring to the club you will receive a \$500 credit for a Paul Harris award. If you bring in two members you will get a Paul Harris Award! Also, during the membership drive we will also be eliminating the \$75 new membership fee!

Speaker/Program

Then Bob Morris introduced our speaker. Julie Champion is the supervising naturalist at the Metro Beach Nature Center. She has worked with the Metroparks for 32 years at various parks and for the last 21 at Metro Beach. She presented on Huron-Clinton Metroparks and their involvement with the Michigan No Child Left Inside Coalition. Today, children are spending more and more time indoors with computers, television, smart phones and less time playing outdoors. There is growing evidence that this contributes to the increase in childhood obesity, diabetes, and learning difficulties. Michigan's No Child Left Inside Coalition is working toward promoting activities and policies that will help children reconnect with nature since it is essential for their physical and mental well-being.



Julie wants us to know about the event on Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. at Metro Beach Nature Center. For more information please call (586) 463-4332. For more information on the No Child Left Inside Coalition please go to www.helathykidshealthyfutures.com



Congratulations to **Larry Neal** who was the winner of the 50/50 this week, the pot was \$52 and with that the meeting was adjourned by President Pierson at 1:30.

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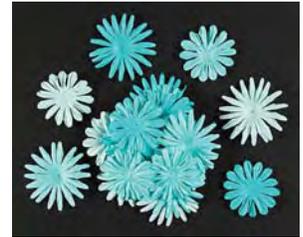
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The national anthem was belted out without the beautiful piano accompaniment of Jennifer Gale. Jennifer emailed to let us know she was not able to come to the meeting but the email wasn't received until after the meeting. Jennifer's mother was having surgery to have a tumor removed. Her outcome is anticipated to be quite good as she is very healthy. We will all have Jennifer and her family in our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery!

We had another delicious meal of breaded chicken in gravy, salad, mashed potatoes, veggies, and red velvet cake.



President's Time/Special Announcements

Guests and Visitors

Ted DeVantier introduced our guests. **Gerry Hanson** had his son Jerry Hanson Jr. there, **Sue Coats** brought Debbie McPeek and **Bob Cannon** had Tomo Funahashi from Japan. **Bob Selwa** had brought his wife Jane to the meeting in celebration of their anniversary and **Glenn Burton** brought Ralph Burton.

Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Mike O'Connor was selling flowers today. The first went to **Kris Miele** from **Al Zuccaro**. Al wanted to thank Kris for the great job she did putting together the *Chicago* outing. The last flower Dick Pierson bought a flower for Jim Hanson (Jr. not Sr.)

Music

Al Zuccaro led us (again with no piano accompaniment) in song with “Que Sera, Sera” and “Sing a Song for Rotary.” I hope Jennifer is back next week ... it just isn't the same!

This message from Ray Glime . . .

Last week I was in Sarasota, Florida, on business, so on Friday, September 16, I drove down to Venice and had dinner with former Mount Clemens Rotarian (now Venice, Florida Rotarian) Jay Kasmak and his wife, Carolyn. They both looked great. The attached picture proves the point. Carolyn continues to be on oxygen and takes chemo every Tuesday, after which she and Jay go to lunch. The Kasmarks are planning another cruise (their fifth?) through the Panama Canal next month (October) and, of course, they asked about their many friends here in Rotary and asked me to say “Hello” to all of you.



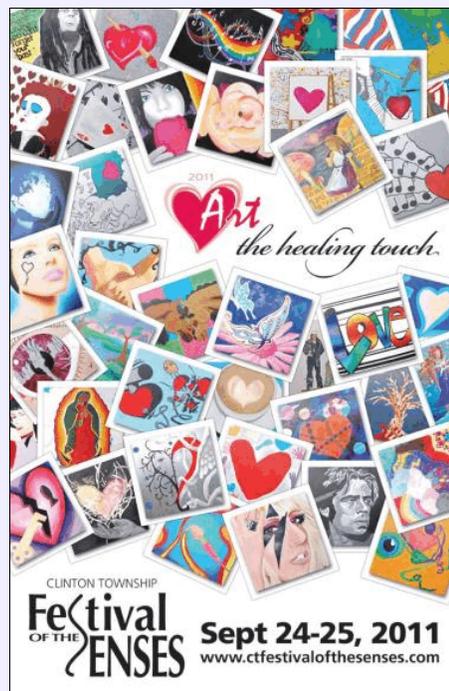
Club Business/Announcements/Recognition

- **Bob Leslie** announced that they welcomed his first granddaughter to the world -- Harlow Ann. I'm sure Grandpa will bring her to a meeting soon!
- **Mary Ann Hosey** reminded us to make sure we all were planning on going to the Festival for the Senses on August 24-25 go to www.ctfestivalofthesenses.com for more information.
- **Dick Pierson** announced the info on the Family Fun Orchard Outing. It will be on **Sunday, October 23** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Blake's Orchard and Cider Mill, 17985 Armada Center Road in Armada. Wristbands are \$7/pp and children under two are free. To get the discount you have to mention Mount Clemens Rotary and you will also get \$1 off a gallon of cider and a dozen donuts. For more info, contact Dick Pierson! I can't wait!
- **Kris Miele** wanted to let everyone know that *Chicago* was fun and there is a fundraiser coming up Thanksgiving weekend at the Richmond Theater. They will be performing *Yes, Virginia. There is a Santa Claus*. She will be looking for corporate sponsors. Please contact Kris if you are interested!
- Finally, **Jamie Fitzpatrick** was sick so she didn't remind everyone of the membership drive that is going on until the end of November. For every new member that you bring to the club you will receive a \$500 credit for a Paul Harris award. If you bring in two members you will get a Paul Harris Award! Also, during the membership drive we will also be eliminating the \$75 new membership fee, so I am reminding you now!
- **Julie Huttenlocher** started in with recognition. First she cited **Mary Ann Hosey, Joe Peruzzi and Bob Cannon** for their bright green and yellow shirts advertising the Festival of the Senses.
- **Mary Spaulding** got hit for \$4.99 for most-missed Rotarian.
- **Gerry Hanson** gave some cash for his new grandson but Julie forgot to say anything to the club about it.
- Everyone who was going to the Art Fair gave \$1 and **Frank Bernabei** got fined \$3 for eating his cake before we got our meal.

Speaker/Program

Eric Pierson introduced our video speaker, District 6380 Gov. Steve Youtz. Steve Youtz, whose home club is Milford, wanted to remind us of the many things that Rotary and Rotary International are doing. There was a little speech from the RI President who wanted to remind us all of the words of Mahatma Gandhi "Be the change you want to see in the world." If anyone would like to see the DVD please let me know and I would be happy to get a copy to you.

Congratulations to **Larry Neal** who was the winner of the 50/50 AGAIN this week (don't think that it is going unnoticed -- second win for Larry this month), the pot was \$54 and with that the meeting was adjourned by President Pierson at 1:30.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

9/16 JOHNNA (KEITH) LESPERANCE
9/17 TONI (BILL) LEE

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

9/16 TED & ANNE MARIE DEVANTIER (11)
9/18 BOB & JANE SELWA (41)
9/18 DON & CANDICE MILLER (27)

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Minutes by Glenn Burton

The clouds broke and the sun came out, the members of the Mount Clemens Rotary made their way to the ConCorde Inn for another Thursday meeting. Greeting us were the cash-grabbing 50/50 team of **Cecilia Moloney** and **Bob Randolph**. As I sailed toward the head table, I heard our “pianist in residence” Jennifer Gale and **Al Zuccaro** working on a musical number???



I felt a strange change in the air and then it became apparent, **Bill Patterson** informed me that he was steering the ship today for our down-and-out **President Pierson**. At 12:15, Bill rang the ship's bell and everyone came to attention. Bill threw a Tigers curve in the form of the reciting “The Four-Way Test.” The club started to falter as we got to the fourth line so I quickly held up the adjacent flag as we and we completed “Will it be beneficial to all concerned.” **Don Torline** took the helm and paved the way for the national anthem and Pledge. **Bob Selwa** gave the prayer, especially noting the absence of **Nancy Dedenbach** at the Tigers game on Tuesday due to her physical condition.

At four tables strong we walked the plank to the meal line. The grub consisted of breaded chicken (two weeks and counting) garlic mashed potatoes (two weeks and counting) tossed salad (two weeks and counting) rolls and three types of cookies that **Mike O'Connor** doubled up on. Pepsi products were also at the bar for consuming. A very filling meal.

With no first mate or second mate on deck in the form of our treasurer and secretary, or documentation, Bill pleaded with the crew to give up and birthdays, anniversaries or club anniversaries because Mike O had a flower in waiting for those who did. The only member who admitted to a B-day was Bob Randolph for his wife. Bob Selwa stepped up to the plate in buying one for Nancy D and her aliments. Big shooter **Neil Dempsey** bought two – for **Robert Leslie** and **Mark Zuccaro**. **Frank Bernabei** made up with Bill Furest by giving him a petal. For the hard work **Mary Ann Hosey** put into the Festival of the Senses, **Don Green** graced her with a bloom. **Larry Neal** threw a flower to **Jerry Innes** why I don't know. The only guest for the day was our speaker Fuzzy Manning. We sang our favorite greeting song.

Music man Albert Zuccaro grabbed the mic to lead the crew into uncharted waters of “Bye Bye Snow Bird” and “Rotary Will Go ‘Round the World” – a first. Speaking of 1st, Bill 1st's painful warbling/singing did not go unnoticed by the crowd.



- Bill pitched the members for our membership drive. If you know anyone in the community that provides a service to you personally “don’t be shy” and pass the name along to the committee.
- **Sue Diener** spoke of the 2011 “Roundup Walk” for Families Exploring Down Syndrome which takes place October 8 at Macomb Intermediate School on Garfield. Register at 10:30.
- **Jack Hart** alerted the members to the brochure on the tables regarding the November 8 Macomb County Special Education ballot proposal, to get out and vote.

Neil Dempsey was next on deck for Goodwill and Recognition

- **Kris Miele** is very happy about the Baker graduate that she is employing and for that **Don Torline** gladly paid \$5.
- **Jack Hart's** non-Rotary announcement cost him \$5.
- We had a stranger in the crowd, in **Jerry Innes**, as our most-missed; \$4.99.
- The traveling **Tom Davies** got pinched for \$2 for his trip down south.
- As mentioned before, **Bill 1st's** musical talents hit him for \$3.
- The club's "All Things Tigers" **Bob Selwa**, complete with baseball hat, sacrificed for \$5.
- Finally, for the end of the month, no badge or pin \$1.

The 50/50 for \$40 was claimed by Neil Dempsey.

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Our speaker was Fuzzy Manning, a Vietnam vet, and mental health care clinician and therapist located in Grosse Pointe. His specialty is providing therapy service to veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress. Currently, the country is experiencing 60,000 of our best and brightest vets coming home every year and having some form of PTS. This translates back to the family with some very deep consequences such as suicide, drug use, divorce, bankruptcy and unemployment.



VETERANS DAY 2009

Integrating the vet back into the real world is a challenge to the VA system and it is on overload to deal with the problem. The VA is not staffed or equipped to handle the issue and this is where Fuzzy and others in his profession are providing a great service to the men and women who have service this country. Fuzzy's research has shown that it takes about 50 years after a war has ended to fully heal the mental wounds of war for the vet and second and third generation families.

He also notes the loss of community by way of the television. Families do not get out and interact with their neighbors due to the time spent in front of the TV. Fuzzy believes that thru groups, clubs, schools, business and churches they can build a bridge to integrate the vet back into society. A great talk about a big issue confronting our society.

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Minutes by Joe Peruzzi

Club president **Eric Pierson** kicked off the meeting at 12:15 p.m at the ConCorde Inn Best Western in Clinton Township. **Chuck O'Grady** led us in the pledge while Lori Wright offered up the prayer. Jennifer Gale sounded the national anthem. Lunch consisted of salad, chicken parmigiana, pasta, asparagus and brownies for dessert.

Guest and visitors: **Bob Baker** introduced Ken Lampar, guest of **Larry Neal**. Ken is from the Macomb Literacy Partners and has applied to become a new member of our club.

President Announcement:

President Eric announced that the Anchor Bay Rotary Club was hosting its annual wine tasting scholarship fundraiser Friday, Nov. 4 at Sycamore Hills Golf Club. For more info go to the Anchor Bay Rotary website.

Flowers, birthdays and anniversaries:

Tom Davies announced birthdays including **Lori Wright, Marco Lavinio, Eric Pierson and Frank Bernabei**. He proceeded to ask **Valerie Miller** and **Julie Huttenlocher** to guess Frank's age. Valerie responded 59 and Julie said an incredible 29. Frank kept mumm.



Jim Haselwood celebrated a partner's birthday while Chuck O'Grady was singled out for a wedding anniversary. Chuck announced that he and Carol still hadn't figured out who was the boss in their marriage ... but speculation at many of the tables suggested that it is still not too late for Chuck to learn the magic phrase "Yes Dear" to ensure a happily everafter ending.

Julie Huttenlocher celebrated a 16 year club anniversary.

Cecilia Moloney purchased a flower for her greeting partner **Bob Randolph** while **Kris Miele** bought a flower for **Bob Lee** for graciously portraying Father Michael in her community play.

Bob Randolph led us in two songs ... "America the Beautiful" and "Smile, Sing a Song."

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

*Ken Lampar
Director, Macomb Literacy Partners*

*Jennifer Morgan
Director, Martha T Berry*

Announcements and Recognition

Neil Dempsey fined **Jamie Fitzpatrick** for personally carrying the loose change jug to each table for contributions. This writer thought Jamie's extra effort was a great way to encourage a little additional giving.

- **Ray Glime** announced that everyone was invited to attend the upcoming Michigan-Michigan State tailgate party at Madison's in downtown Mount Clemens beginning at 5 p.m. Thursday, October 13. This date is actually a day later than Ray announced at the club, but he was kind enough to call me Thursday evening to provide this update. Great job.
- **Jack Hart** urged Rotary members to vote yes on the upcoming MISD millage, while **Bill Patterson** announced he would be showing off some of his festive chickens at this Saturday's Poultry Show in the Birch Run Conference Hall. **Ken Kish** said the hall was next to KFC ... not funny.
- **Don Green** paid \$5 to announce that the Wayne State University Warriors were 5-0 in its football conference, **Chuck O'Grady** was fined \$2 for not knowing who's boss in his house, and Jim Haselwood was fined for not initially wanting to buy his spouse another flower after already buying a flower last week. He was offered a sympathetic booooo.

Neil wrapped up recognition by fining **Rolf Schroeter** \$2 for visiting Chicago, **Valerie Miller** \$4.99 for hunting elk and drinking wine in California, and **Bob Lee** \$4 for visiting his cottage in Ontario to clean it up after a visit by **Don Torline**.

Speaker/Program

Kris Miele introduced guest speaker Elsa Silverman of the Mount Clemens Regional Healthcare Foundation who gave club members a rundown on the upcoming BRAvo breast cancer fundraising event scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. Wednesday, October 12 at the Mirage Banquet Hall on 18 Mile Road and Garfield in Clinton Township.

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths for women, and early detection can save a life. Many women age 40 and over don't have the funds to pay for a breast screening exam and BRAvo aims to raise funds to help those who can't afford the test.



In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month (October) the Mount Clemens Regional Medical Center and the Ted B. Wahby Cancer Center are hosting the fun-filled event featuring the winning bras from a bra decorating challenge and live auction of bras autographed by celebrities.

Festivities will include hors d'oeuvres, BRAtini bar and cocktails. A silent auction will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. with a live auction of celebrity-autographed bras beginning at 7:45 p.m. Autographs include those of Kid Rock, Taylor Swift, Keith Urban, Carrie Underwood, Reba McEntire, Marlee Matlin, Kim Kardashian, Eva Longoria and Lea Thompson, to name just a few.



Tickets cost \$35 each. For more info call 586-741-4330.



Final Note: During lunch Ken Kish informed me he had written two headlines in anticipation of Thursday night's final Tigers game against the Yankees. They read, Tigers KO Yanks and Damn Yankees. In the newspaper biz you have to cover your bets. Go Tigers.



50/50 Raffle ... **Don Carnaghi** won \$27.

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THINGS PSYCHIC

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GLRI HEALTH EDUCATOR MI

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President Announcements:

President Eric announced that **Kris Miele** could use some help finding weekly speakers for the club. Please provide a name and contact number and she will do the rest.

Jamie Fitzpatrick and Julie Huttenlocher are scheduled to carry the Mount Clemens Rotary flag in the city's annual Thanksgiving/Christmas parade and they would like some company. The parade is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 25.



Eric reported that the club had donated to the Zion Church the podium and speaker system used at the Zion Church.

Chuck and Carol O'Grady will open their home to this year's Rotary holiday party and the club currently has regular and decaf coffee for sale at \$10 per bag with funds going to Rotary International and the Water Project in Tanzania.

Guests and Visitors:

Bob Baker introduced guests Ken Lampar, guest of the club, Lillian Zuccaro, guest of **Al and Mark**, Assistant/Area District Governor Bill Himelberger, and District 6380 Governor Steve Youtz.

Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Tom Davies announced birthday celebrant **Bill Lee** (**Sarah Lee-Ellena** promised to deliver his flower), while **Cecilia Moloney** celebrated a wedding anniversary. Kris Miele bought a flower for **Elsa Silverman** for a great job on last week's BRAvo event. **Mark Zuccaro** purchased flowers for both his mom and dad, **Mary Ann Hosey** bought a flower for **Ken Kish** for *The Macomb Daily's* great coverage of the Festival of the Senses, and Ken was then coerced into buying a flower for Mary Ann. **Valerie Miller** rounded out the flower purchasing by giving one to Sarah Lee-Ellena for hosting a great board of directors dinner.

Music:

Bob Randolph lead the club in "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" and "Sing a Song to Rotary."

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Neil Dempsey called for announcements and **Jack Hart** urged Rotary members to vote yes on the upcoming MISD millage. **Dana Casson** invited club members to a Henry Ford Medical Center fundraising event at the Chrysler Museum scheduled for Tuesday, October 18. Contact her if you would like to attend.

Bob Baker needs additional Rotarians to help in the annual Youth Exchange interviewing process, and **Dick Pierson** reminded the club that from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday, October 23 you can receive discounts at Blake's Orchard on Armada Center Road.



Jamie Fitzpatrick also reminded us that the membership drive continues through the end of November. You will receive a \$500 Paul Harris credit for every member you sign up. The membership fee has also been waived.

Al Zuccaro was fined \$3 for continuing to wear a Columbus Day shirt for the past week. Hope he had it washed, at least once. \$1 fines went to all Rotarians who use the Moravian Bridge. It re-opened on Friday, October 14 after months of being closed for construction.

Julie Huttenlocher was fined \$3 for not wearing a Rotary pin and badge and for spilling water at the table. She was in a hurry. Finally, **Dave Meldrum** was hit up for \$4.99 for a photograph of him and a "partner" dancing.

Guest Speaker:

Assistant/Area District Governor Bill Himmelberger introduced District 6380 Governor Steve Youtz to a round of applause. Steve opened his program by thanking everyone for being a Rotarian during a challenging time not only for the clubs but for the nation. He felt he had been preparing for his current role for many years. One of his major themes was the definition of doing good in the community. If you get a warm, fuzzy feeling inside, then you are probably doing the right things for the right reasons, he said.

He spoke of three concepts outlined by the new Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee. Rotarians should be guided by three things -- the family, continuity, and change -- as they work to support the 2011-12 RI theme, Reach Within to Embrace Humanity.



Family is first because the family is the starting point for everything Rotary is trying to accomplish. The family is the building block of the community and that includes our own families, our Rotary family and the families of the world. If we wish to see a world that is more joyous, we first have to make sure that the families of the world are more joyous, that they have the things they need to be happy, to thrive, and move forward. So we have to look at housing, at clean water and sanitation, at health care, at all the issues affecting mothers and children.

Continuity involves continuing and strengthening those things Rotarians do well. He said there are many areas in which Rotary has been, and continues to be successful -- working for clean, safe water; spreading literacy; working in so many ways with Generation Next, our youth, and the clubs' greatest project, polio eradication.

And the third emphasis is embracing change. We must understand that true change can only begin with each of us, and start within us. We cannot share peace with others if we do not have it to give. At the same time he emphasized the change that young people bring to the party. They are smart, can multitask and have plenty of great ideas. Rotary needs their participation, and they need to become part of the social pital that moves our society and the world forward.



50/50 RAFFLE DICK PIERSON WON \$40.

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Minutes by Joe Peruzzi

Club president **Eric Pierson** kicked off the meeting at 12:15 p.m. with a quick announcement that today's lunch did not include chicken. **Larry Neal** led us in the Pledge while **Lori Wright** provided the prayer. Lunch consisted of meatloaf, salad, a vegetable and brownies.

President Announcement

- President Eric announced that the club could use some help with the weekly setup. You may have missed some of the flags and club pennants and that is because there are not enough hands to always set up everything. Contact Eric if you can help.
- **Jessica Stone** was welcomed back after an extended absence and everyone gave her a well deserved round of applause. She is selling the coffee we talked about in last week's bulletin. Funds from your \$10 per bag coffee go to Rotary International and the Water Project in Tanzania.
- **Kris Miele** could still use some help finding weekly speakers for the club. Please provide a name and contact number and she will do the rest.

Guests and Visitors

Bob Baker introduced Ken Lampar, guest of the club.



Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Bob Leslie handled these duties. Club anniversaries were celebrated by **Bill Furest** (32 years) and **Paul Woodring**. **Jamie Fitzpatrick** and **Sarah Lee-Elena** split the cost of a flower for **Dana Casson** for the very successful BRAvo dinner and fundraiser. Bill Furest bought a flower for his son, **Jeff**, and Jeff reciprocated by buying a flower for his dad. Larry Neal bought a flower for guest and speaker Ken Lampar, and Bob Leslie purchased one for **Chuck O'Grady** for graciously planning to open his home for this year's Rotary Christmas party. Chuck announced that the party will be held on Saturday, December 3. **Mike O'Connor** received a flower from Jessica Stone.

Music

Bob Randolph led the club in "Smiles" and "R-O-T-A-R-Y," but then gave everyone a scare by collapsing to the floor just as members were putting away their songbooks. Eric and Jeff kept a cool head while tending to Bob. Emergency 911 was quickly called. Both the Clinton Township Fire Rescue Department and Medstar were on the scene within four minutes. Fortunately Bob regained consciousness and by that time was sitting up in a chair. Medstar transported Bob out of the hall. *From Theresa Randolph, Bob's daughter-in-law: "Bob was released from the hospital on Monday afternoon. They thought a pacemaker was in order but changed their minds. He's home and happy to be there." Theresa also said her mother-in-law fell and broke her hip/leg in seven places a few weeks ago and is in a rehab facility until she's well enough for more surgery. She is hoping to come home after the surgery. Theresa and Bob's son "have been sending dinners and treats over for Bob."*

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Guest Speaker

Macomb Literacy Partners Director Ken Lampar said the mission of MLP is to eliminate adult illiteracy in our community by developing programs that promote the advancement of literacy. MLP is housed in the Macomb County Reference and Research Center on Hall Road just west of Garfield. Ken was pleased to announce that an \$18,000 donation for operations was recently received from the Friends of Macomb Library Partners and that those funds would go a long way in continuing the services of the MLP.



primary language. Compounding this growing problem is the fact that state legislators have chosen to reduce funding for schools at every opportunity in the past year.

Ken said he hoped to reinstate the "Read to Me, Rosco" program now in hiatus due to funding reductions. Rosco the Clown offers entertainment that gets children excited about reading and he demonstrates strategies that will foster a love of reading for the whole family.

Most adults who seek the services of the Macomb Literacy Partners strive to gain better employment opportunities, want to be able to help their children with homework, and want to read a book, Bible or other materials.

Ken closed the meeting with a special "thank you" to the Mount Clemens Rotary for its support of the Macomb Literacy Partners. If you want to help, why not attend the upcoming Dino Ciccarelli fundraising event on Tuesday, November 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. It will be held at the Ciccarelli's Sports Bar Theater, 46793 Hayes Road in Shelby Township. Your \$25 will include pizza, salad, pop, a cash bar and a special appearance by Dino, himself. For more info, call Ken at 286-2750.

If you think illiteracy is not a problem in Macomb County, think again. Ken informed us that 43 percent of illiterate adults live in poverty; 60 percent of illiterate mothers live on public assistance, and that the overall illiteracy rate in Macomb County is more than 13 percent. That last statistic means there are between 70,000 and 109,000 people in Macomb County who are illiterate. He added that 50 percent of children with illiterate parents will remain illiterate in their adult years.

Causes for illiteracy in Macomb County include poor school attendance, poor home life and family values, and an increase in family units where English is not the

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Club president **Eric Pierson** opened the meeting at 12:15 p.m. with a reference to today's menu: sausage and sauerkraut, corn, salad and brownies. **Joe Peruzzi** led us in the Pledge while **Tom Davies** provided the prayer.



President Announcement

Following lunch, President Eric announced that the club had received an additional supply of decaf coffee. Funds from your \$10 per bag coffee go to Rotary International and the Water Project in Tanzania. **Sue Coats** was today's coffee-selling contact. ●●● I will add, once more, that **Kris Miele** could still use some help finding weekly speakers for the club. Please provide a name and contact number and she will do the rest. Additional hands are also required for weekly lunch setup and tear-down. Just show up a bit early.



Guests and Visitors

Bob Baker introduced our guests including Ken Lampar, guest of the club, Guy Ciceroni and Mike O'Shaughnester, both of the Troy club, Elaine Johnston, guest of **Frank Bernabei**, Debbie Phillips, guest of **Val Miller**, Cindy Sue Donoghue, guest of **Don Green**, Carol Parent, guest of **Nancy Dedenbach**, and Tim and Laina Pierson, guests of **Dick Pierson**.



Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Ken and Diane Kish celebrated a 33-year wedding anniversary while **Jeff Furest** bought a flower for his mom and dad who celebrated 50 years of marriage. Valerie Miller bought a flower for her guest, Debbie; Eric Pierson bought a flower for his niece, Laina; our Troy guests Mike and Guy bought flowers for each other; and **Chuck O'Grady** purchased a flower for **Bob Randolph** for making it back to the club after passing out last week during music. By the way, Bob was diagnosed to be suffering from low blood pressure and dehydration. He's doing much better, now.



Music

Bob Selwa led us in song, and baseball was again on his mind. In honor of the World Series being contested by the Texas Rangers and the St. Louis Cardinals, Bob had us sing "Red River Valley" and "Home on the Range." The feeling was that Bob was rooting for the Rangers.



Announcements and Recognition

Tom Davies called for announcements and a recuperating **Nancy Dedenbach** challenged the club to compete against the Kiwanis in this year's Christmas bell ringing match-up for The Salvation Army. Further details to be announced. By the way, Nancy fined herself for being crazy enough to try to drive a golf club down a steep hill. All kidding aside, we're glad she is getting better.

- **Valerie Miller** is planning a *Christmas season outing on December 18 at the Macomb Performing Arts Center* featuring the Detroit Concert Choir, followed by dinner at Ernie's Kings Mill. Dinner and the theater are \$45, while dinner only is \$30. More details to follow.
- **Bob Baker** said he could use some help moving chairs and tables at Zion Church prior to the annual Youth Exchange interviews scheduled for Nov. 12. Contact him if you can help.

Recognition

Neil Dempsey took over and immediately singled out **Bob Randolph** with a \$2 fine for impeding progress of a Rotary meeting when he passed out last week. He was asked not to stand up. Neil then asked all University of Michigan fans to stand up and proceeded to chastise them for losing four years in a row to Michigan State. He fined them all \$4 except for Julie Huttenlocher ... she was hit up for \$5.

Don Carnaghi had the biggest fish story of the day ... maybe even the year. While fishing off the coast of Mexico, he landed twelve 30-pound mahi-mahi, had them cleaned and frozen and flew them back to the states in airline luggage. Big mistake, it took an extra day for the airline to find the fish. Still half frozen, according to Don, but a very expensive catch, for sure. Next time try Kroger. He had to pay \$3.

Ray Glime was seen walking around the ConCorde Inn with his favorite musical and talking jack-o-lantern. Not sure if he was fined, but he certainly was entertaining. Finally, **Bob Selwa** was fined \$2 for not making sure everyone at **Neil's** table had songbooks. Bob responded that not everyone should sing ... burn.



Guest Speaker

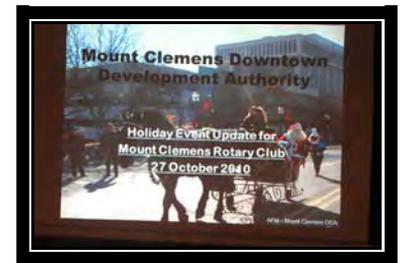


A special blue ribbon committee was appointed to discuss downtown concerns. From recommendations of this committee the Mount Clemens Downtown Development Authority was established in April of 1983.

The goals and objectives of the DDA as stated in the act are, "to halt property value deterioration and increase property tax valuation where possible in the business district and to eliminate the causes of that deterioration and to promote economic growth."

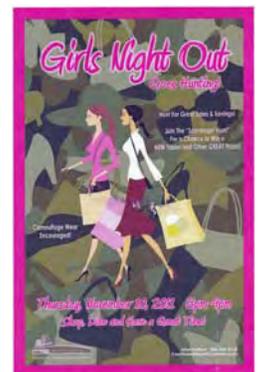
It is the belief of the DDA that by keeping the economy and vitality of the downtown healthy we also improve property values throughout the entire City of Mount Clemens as well as the quality of life for all of its residents.

Macomb Place is a primary example of one of the DDA's biggest successes. Other activities include wayfinding signs, marketing, promotion, enhanced security and special events. Funding comes from a small operating millage that collects about \$58,000 a year and an incremental tax on businesses set in 1985. Today, the DDA's total budget due to property devaluation is \$261,000, far less than it had only a few years ago.



The DDA does an excellent job in promoting the city through special events. By "putting feet on the streets," the DDA contributes to the city centre's vitality and long-term economic well-being. Without this emphasis, local small towns could experience the even higher vacancy rates found in most strip malls around the metro area. Mount Clemens emphasizes old fashioned events such as summer fun themes, car cruises, Stars and Stripes, Dog Days of Summer, Halloween Spooktacular, etc.

Here is a rundown of what's on tap: **Girls Night Out from 5 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, November 10** ; a Christmas Open House from 5 to 9 p.m. on Friday, November 18; the annual Santa Parade on November 25; New Years Eve Gala on December 31; and the annual Ice Sculpting Show on Feb 3-5. That's a lot of events over the next couple of months. Mount Clemens and local business would surely be diminished if the DDA were to be further reduced in scope over the coming years. At the same time our Rotary club is certainly diminished by not having Art as a continuing member. He should probably reconsider his decision ... that's an editorial comment.



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Minutes by Dave Meldrum ~ Photos by Jeff Furest

President Eric called the meeting to order promptly @ 12:10. Nancy Dedenbach lead us with the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem. Keith Lesperance proclaimed faith in God and asked for His blessing. The buffet consisted of deli style breads, meats and cheeses accompanied with salads and carrot cake for dessert.



Mike O'Connor introduced the following guests: Bruce Kirkpatrick guest of Kris Miele; Kelly MacLeod, our clairvoyant speaker; Linda May (often missed-honorary member), guest of Ken Kish; former member Ralph Burton, guest of Glenn, & Ray Opezzo, guest of Bob Selwa.



Flowers were purchased for birthdays and anniversaries

In absentia, Art Niederkohr, Ted DeVantier, Bill Furest and Ken Kish for their respective anniversaries, Bill Furest for his bride's birthday, Carey. Larry Neal received a carnation for his six-year anniversary in the club. The rest of the flowers were purchased by Bob Selwa for Ken Kish, Mary Ann Hosey for someone, Jamie Fitzpatrick for injured Nancy Dedenbach, Ted DeVantier purchased two flowers for our speaker and Linda May.

Mary Ann Hosey led us in song with Jennifer's accompaniment-standing for "God Bless America" & "Roll Rotary."

President Eric started with the announcement that November is Rotary Foundation Month. There are two positions open for the board of directors. Please see Sarah Lee-Ellena if you are interested.



Julie Huttenlocher announced that any makeup now gives credit for the meeting and the meal.

Larry Neal was proud to introduce another new member, Ken Lampar. Bill Patterson performed the welcome announcement, and presented Ken with the plaque and pin, Welcome to the club, Ken!



- **Val Miller** continues to sell coffee.
- The social committee has set up a Christmas concert with the Detroit Concert Group on **December 18**. Dinner will follow at Ernie's.
- **Chuck O'Grady** has extended a gracious invitation to his home on **December 3** for the Rotary Christmas Party. There are only two meetings left to sign up, so don't delay. The event will start @ 5:30 p.m. and the cost will be \$35-\$40 per person, depending on the number of attendees.
- **Jamie Fitzpatrick** indicated there are only two weeks remaining for the new membership drive, which entertains a great invitation to become a Paul Harris Fellow.
- **Bob Baker** is imploring help for the Youth Exchange interviews.
- **Mike O'Connor** 'fessed up that he got two bags of coffee for the price of one. Mike just passed The Four-Way Test!
- **Bill Patterson** announced the fundraiser committee will meet on the 17th. All members interested should attend.
- The community service project this year will be the Macomb Community Foundation. **Bob Leslie**

Glenn Burton handled recognition

Nancy Dedenbach paid \$5 for an outdated 2007 calendar. The boat outing lives on with donations from **Val Miller** (\$2), **Mike O'Connor** (\$5), **Bill Patterson** (\$2) for photos from Club Island. **Jeff Furest** donated \$1,000 on behalf of his father, and Bill has now become a Paul Harris Fellow. **Ken Lampar** was initiated as a new member for his presentation on the Literacy Partners. **Dave Meldrum** was fined \$5 for golf on Marco Island. **Larry Neal** paid \$5 for Facebook notice and lastly, **Julie Huttenlocher** paid \$5 for her hubby's successful business, making the top 20 insurance agencies in *Crain's*.

Our speaker was introduced by **Kris Miele**.

Kelly MacLeod is a psychic-medium and therapist. There will be no summation of her very intriguing presentation. Everyone needs to close their eyes, rid yourself of any negativity, let your subconscious and conscious mind dwell only in positive arenas, and let the energy and vibrations consume you. Upon doing so, Kelly's sixth sense will intervene and you will become well-informed and positively energized.



50/50 (undisclosed amount) was won by **Jeff Furest**.

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The meeting was called to order at 12:10 by incoming president **Bill Patterson**. President **Eric** is out in the woods hunting.

Don Torline lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance and **Tom Davies** offered the prayer. Lunch consisted of a delectable antipasto salad, lasagna and Italian sausage mixed with peppers, with homemade cookies for dessert. **Mike O'Connor** introduced our guests, Sam D'Angelo and Jennifer Morgan, both guests of the club, hopefully our next incoming new members.

Don Green provided us with a medical update on **Ray Hofner** and **Bill Lee**. Both have suffered health setbacks and please remember them in your prayers.

Bill Patterson announced the meeting for the fundraiser that will be held immediately after next Thursday's meeting. Anyone interested in lending assistance is more than welcome to attend.

Flowers were purchased by **Dana for Jamie, Val and Mary Ann**. Last were omitted because everyone knows them for their exceptional services to the club. **Glenn Burton** bought a flower for our guest speaker, **Neil Dempsey** flowered someone unknown to the scribe, and **Don Green** purchased a flower for **Frank McNelis**. Jamie reciprocated by buying a flower for Dana.

Mary Ann Hosey, accompanied by Jennifer, lead us in song – “She’s a Grand Old Flag” in honor of Veterans Day, and “Viva La Rotary.”

- Announcements and Goodwill started with **Chuck O'Grady**. Please sign up if you plan to attend the Christmas celebration at Chuck's home on **December 3**. Carol O'Grady will be preparing all of the food!
- Jamie gave the final call for the new membership drive, and announced the Wreaths Across America program for the vets.
- **Val Miller** requested sign-ups for the Detroit Concert Choir at the Performing Arts Center followed by dinner at Ernie's. Cost is \$46 per person, and coffee can still be purchased for the benefit of the RI water program.
- Mike O'Connor is heading up the Rotary Community Project, which will be a benefit for a homeless family. More details to follow.
- **Bob Baker** is conducting interviews for Exchange Program. Those interested should contact Bob.

Ruthless Glenn Burton, donning the finest threads in town, recognized the following victims: **Frank McNelis** paid \$5 for leaving his coffee at the meeting last week. **Dana** chipped in \$5 for partaking in Japanese tea. **Dave Gerlach** donated \$5 for being most missed. (Now we probably won't see him for another four months!) All Oakland University grads paid \$4 for their alma mater hosting the Republican debates. **Chuck O'Grady** and **Don**



Carnaghi each paid a premium for any deer that may meet its demise. Glenn hosted "Let's Make a Deal" and an entire table was fined \$5 each for not knowing the name of the incoming president of RI. **Larry Neal** gladly volunteered \$5 for passage of the millage.

Jamie Fitzpatrick introduced our guest speaker, Michelle Brunette. Michelle represents the Michigan Department of Community Health and provided a very interesting presentation on the health issues of fish consumption in our daily diets. There is a magazine titled the "Michigan Fish Advisory" which debuted in 1970. The Advisory outlines the chemicals that can be consumed for the various fish. Mercury, PCBs and dioxin have been released over the years in the water and the air, and the longer the fish lives usually determines the amount of contaminants that the fish will absorb and pass on to humans. The contaminants can unlock cancer cells within our system, so it is important to measure our fish intake via the scale that rates the fish on a level from 1-8.



50-50 was won by **Bob Randolph**.

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CALENDAR

11/24

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

12/1

BOB LESLIE/BARBARA DEMPSEY AND
DOUG ANDERSON ~ MOUNT CLEMENS
STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

12/3

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE
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Minutes by Dave Meldrum



Incoming President presided in the absence of **President Eric** (deer hunting.) The meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance followed by prayer offered by **Tom Davies**. The hotel provided a buffet lunch of salad, rolls, roast beef, corn and brownies and homemade cookies for dessert.

Guests were introduced by **Mike O'Connor**. Elizabeth Fogel is a guest of the club, and hopefully a future incoming member and Macomb County Sheriff, Tony Wickersham, was introduced, who will be the guest speaker.

Neil Dempsey recognized the birthdays and anniversaries

The remaining posies were purchased by: **Bob Leslie** for our guest, Tony Wickersham; **Val Miller** for our club guest Liz Fogel; Dana for **Don Torline**; and **Bob Morris** stepped up to the plate for **Glenn Burton** and **Dave Meldrum** for writing the bulletin.

Mary Ann Hosey led us in song, getting us ready for the holiday season with “Let There Be Peace on Earth,” and then a club favorite “Sing a Song to Rotary.”

- Announcements began with Val Miller selling her coffee for the benefit of water wells, and in **Jamie's** absence announced the sale of wreaths for the Air Force cadets. Cost is \$15 per wreath.
- Mike O'Connor reiterated the community project for the Macomb Charitable Foundation.
- **Bob Baker** met with the Youth Exchange Group and 11 students have been accepted.
- Mary Ann Hosey questioned the number of guests for the Fraser Singers on December 15, so if you are bringing a guest, please let President Eric know, so we can give the hotel the proper head count.
- Bob Leslie proudly announced that his daughter is getting hitched.

RECOGNITION

Tailtwister **Glenn Burton** did not miss many with recognition.

Dick Pierson paid for a photo sitting in the Middle Channel during the boat outing. **Kris Miele** chipped in \$5 for not bringing her laptop for our guest speaker last week. **Tom Davies** paid \$5 for felonious abstraction of personal property (50-50 money).

Three bearded wonders paid \$3 each for sitting at the same table. **Fred Duemling** donated \$5 for his upcoming trip to Hawaii. **Bob Selwa** was recognized for his article in *The Macomb Daily*, and **Bob Morris** paid another \$3 for not knowing the proper scribes.

Let's Make a Deal cost **Ray Glime's** table \$5 each for not knowing the trend of women's longevity. The second table missed the year of establishing PolioPlus (1985 for those of you who don't know) and put \$5 in **John Hart's** basket. The third table missed that there has been \$2.6 billion raised in the Rotary Foundation since 1917, costing each another \$5. The last table didn't know there are 34,000 Rotary clubs, so they paid their \$5. I think no one was spared.



PROGRAM

Bob Leslie introduced our guest speaker, Sheriff Tony Wickersham. Tony gave us his extensive personal education background, and indicated the first person he ran into at the department 26 years ago was Jack Hart. (What a scary thought, and he still stuck with the job.) The department's budget is \$60,000,000 of which 75 percent goes to operate the jail that can capacitate 1,238 inmates. The department employs 473 employees, and contracts with various surrounding communities for services, such as Mount Clemens and Harrison Township. They have a Marine Division with five full time staff and four additional staff in summertime months. There are 286 people who volunteer for various department functions that include motorcycle, bicycle, mounted and aviation divisions. The newest item on the block is that there is an extensive camera surveillance system that will be monitored from the jail facility. Thanks for a very interesting program!

50-50 was claimed by **Nancy Dedenbach** (\$38).



Please call the O'Grady residence if you plan to attend the Christmas party, and have not yet signed up. The party is **December 3** at the O'Grady home.

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Minutes by Larry Neal

President **Eric Pierson** called the Mount Clemens Rotary Club to order at 12:15 p.m. **Julie Huttenlocher** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and “The Star-Spangled Banner” while Jennifer Gale accompanied on the piano. Before lunch was served, **Bill Patterson** led the prayer. ♥ Bill asked that all Rotarians keep the family of **Bill Lee** in their thoughts and prayers as the family copes with the loss of this incredible member of our Rotary club and the community. ♥ The day’s menu featured Greek salad, shish kebabs, rice and chocolate chip cookies. • President Eric Pierson provided an explanation for his recent absence due to deer hunting season and noted he had shot a four-pointer. He’ll be off again next week on a similar quest. **There will be no club meetings on December 22 or 29.**

Don Carnaghi introduced our guests: Doug Anderson, Mount Clemens City Manager; Sal D’Anger; Barb Dempsey, Mount Clemens Mayor; Jennifer Morgan; Elizabeth Vogel, prospective member. • **Steve Ternullo** sold flowers. **Bob Leslie** buttered up Mayor Barb Dempsey; **Bob Randolph** recognized guest Doug Anderson; and **Julie Huttenlocher** expressed her delight at having **Fred Duemling** back. • Bill Patterson led the music selections of “Deck the Halls” and “R-O-T-A-R-Y.”



Tom Davies Did Recognition

Mike O’Connor announced that envelopes were available for buying gifts for the homeless family that has been adopted by the club for Christmas this year. Items need to be brought to next week’s meeting so that they can be gathered and delivered in time for the holiday.

Bob Selwa thanked **Ken Kish** for the extensive coverage in *The Macomb Daily* on the significant achievements and generosity of Bill Lee. **Chuck O’Grady** said that Carol was cooking up a storm for the club Christmas party.

Don Green was fined \$4.99 for his recognition of **Larry Neal** who was featured in a front page article in the Birmingham Eccentric as “2011 First Citizen of the Year” for his four-year volunteer effort to finally pass a library millage for the City of Bloomfield Hills. **Kris Miele** was fined \$2 for announcing that \$11,000 had been raised for the Richmond Community Theatre and for complimenting Bob Lee on his fine performance in a recent production.

Further funds were raised when **Cecilia Moloney** was fined \$4.99 for her comments on **Tom Davies’** casual attire, “Did you just clean the sewer?” Fred Duemling suffered a similar \$3 fine for comments about Tom’s attire.

Dick Pierson paid four bucks for his presidential son’s four-point buck. **Don Miller’s** table was fined \$1 a piece in honor for being graced by the presence of the “most missed Rotarian.” Don himself was not exempt as \$3 in fines was rung up for a melodious cell phone. **Jack Hart** was fined \$1 for not following the controversial jeans attire. The same was applied to **Jeff Furest**.



Bad boy **Bob Baker** didn't stand upon being serenaded for his bygone birthday, \$1. MSU grads unanimously chose the \$2 buy-it-now fine as opposed to waiting for the result of Saturday's game. UM grads shelled out \$2 in honor of Hoke being named "Big Ten Coach of the Year." **Larry Neal** received the maximum remaining fine for a State of Michigan Declaration of Special Tribute as 2011 First Citizen of the Year award.

PROGRAM

Bob Leslie introduced Mount Clemens Mayor Barb Dempsey and Doug Anderson, City Manager. Mayor Dempsey provided a customized "State of the City" address for the club which included an overview of the city's finances, construction projects and general news.

Like all local government entities, the city is grappling with unprecedented declines in revenues due to falling taxable values and cuts in revenue sharing from the state. Further reductions are being considered by the Michigan legislature through the elimination of the personal property tax, which represents \$800K a year to Mount Clemens. The 2012 initial budget showed a \$1.5M deficit which was reduced to \$477K through major concessions by the unions and the layoff of four DWP workers. At one time the city had 150 employees; it now has 70. Predictions are that there will be further declines in revenues, including -15% for residential, -10% industrial and -9% commercial. The revenues received in 2007 are not expected to recover to a similar level until 2023. A November ballot proposal amending the city charter was not approved which would have allowed an increase in the general fund millage rate.

The city has made extensive efforts to consolidate jobs and services and partner with neighboring communities. In fact there is concern whether or not the city would qualify for state funds because they have already implemented changes being required by the state.

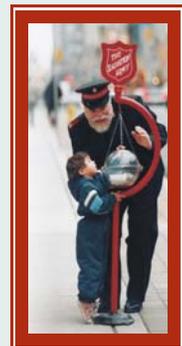
The improvements to Gratiot Avenue will be completed next year. The \$18M project was made possible by federal funds. There were some delays because parts of the road had to be reconstructed rather than resurfaced. Other upcoming projects include Cass Avenue between Gratiot and Groesbeck and Rose Street. The bike path between Shadyside Park and MacArthur Park will be completed with federal funds next year.

In other news there are many new restaurants and businesses that will be opening in downtown. The city has been the setting for Ford Focus commercials and four more security cameras have been added to assist with public safety. Planning for the Children's Museum is continuing and \$9K is still being sought to fund the \$40K feasibility study.

"Jeans-less" **Jack Hart** won \$45 from the 50/50 drawing.

FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM
DEAR ROTARIANS:

THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS WELL UNDERWAY AND WE ARE ASKING ALL ROTARIANS TO HELP US WITH THE ANNUAL BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY. THE ROTARY CLUB OF MOUNT CLEMENS HAS BEEN GIVEN TWO DATES TO SUPPORT THE SALVATION ARMY. PLEASE EMAIL MOUNTCLEMENSROTARY@GMAIL.COM OR SIGN UP AT THE NEXT ROTARY MEETING. WE ARE IN NEED OF BELL RINGERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

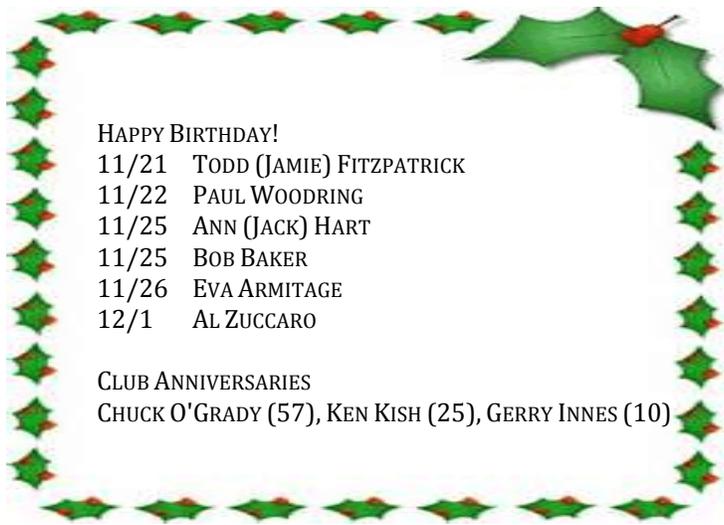


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LOCATION: WALMART—EAST DOOR (CLOSEST TO I-94)
18400 HALL ROAD, CLINTON TOWNSHIP
9 A.M. - 11 A.M.
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.
1 P.M. - 3 P.M.
3 P.M.-5 P.M.
5 P.M. - 6 P.M.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17
LOCATION: MOUNT CLEMENS POST OFFICE
9 A.M. - 11 A.M.
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.
1 P.M. - 3P.M.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
11/21 TODD (JAMIE) FITZPATRICK
11/22 PAUL WOODRING
11/25 ANN (JACK) HART
11/25 BOB BAKER
11/26 EVA ARMITAGE
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CLUB ANNIVERSARIES
CHUCK O'GRADY (57), KEN KISH (25), GERRY INNES (10)



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The day’s menu featured tossed salad, cold cuts, an assortment of salads, cream puffs and cookies.

Bill Patterson thanked **Chuck O’Grady** and his wife Carol for the wonderful Rotary Christmas party at their home. Bell-ringers are needed for The Salvation Army. Next week the Fraser Singers will be performing. If you receive a wonderful, but not-for-you type of gift this holiday season, consider donating it for a basket for our upcoming fundraiser on March 25. Thanks to everyone who brought gifts for the Macomb Charitable Foundation family that our club adopted this year. There will be no club meetings on December 22 or 29.

Don Carnaghi introduced our guests

Chuck Warczinsky from the Port Huron club; Melissa Heatwole, speaker; Sam D’Angelo, guest of **Eric Pierson**; and Elizabeth Vogel, prospective member.

Steve Ternullo sold flowers

Bob Leslie thanked Carol O’Grady for the wonderful Christmas party; **Jack Hart** recognized Jennifer Gale for her upcoming recital; **Neil Dempsey** thanked Chuck O’Grady for a fine job of doing dishes after the Christmas party; **Bob Randolph** thanked each of the day’s speakers; and **Paul Woodring** welcomed our visitor from Port Huron.

Julie Huttenlocher led the music selections of “Let There Be Peace on Earth” and a resounding rendition of “Roll Rotary.”



Tom Davies was the official recognizer

Sarah Lee-Ellena announced that nominations were being sought for two positions on the club’s board as well as for the president-nominee. Bill Patterson promised it would be a great year ahead and a fun, productive experience for those who put service above self in these leadership opportunities. Please contact Sarah or any member of the board if you are interested.

RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Val Miller publicly apologized to **Chuck O'Grady** for signing up but not attending his party due to the birth of her 11th grandchild, \$4.99. **Sarah Lee-Ellena** and **Bob Lee** thanked everyone for their donations to Rotary in memory of **Bill Lee** and presented a check to the Rotary Foundation. **Mike O'Connor** indicated that checks were being accepted to buy gifts for the family adopted by the club this year. **Don Green** thanked **Ken Kish** for the coverage of the Wayne State University football team and the fact that it is two games from the nationals! \$3 was collected from all WSU grads. **Julie Huttenlocher** will be taking photos on the sidelines of the next Lions game, \$4.99. **Jack Hart's** cell phone serenaded him as he held the collection basket and then was asked to help fill it. **Jerry Innes** was fined \$4.99 for being a big-shot bronze sponsor of the State of the County program. Ken Kish's mug was finally featured in *The Macomb Daily*, Razzberry edition, \$2. The "badge-less ones" were fined \$2 to \$4 depending on the quality of the "explanation" given for the reason. **Mary Ann Hosey** and **Chuck O'Grady**, \$2. **Paul "my dog ate it" Woodring**, \$3. **Bob "Paul's dog ate it" Morris**, \$4. **Neil Dempsey** was fined for a reason out of earshot of the bulletin-writer, something to do with being the proud first gentleman of Mount Clemens.



Kris Miele introduced speakers Salvation Army Major **Lori Wright** and Cadet Melissa Heatwole. Although Lori has been to South Africa and eaten frog legs (same time?) she is not an avid snowmobiler.

The presenters gave an overview of the mission and activities of the Salvation Army (SA). The SA is a religious denomination with origins in the Methodist church. It provides assistance to those in need with a focus on families and seniors. Assistance includes food, bus tickets, gas, rent, utilities and prescriptions. They offer a warming center from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. where anyone can get breakfast, showers and lunch. In the evenings, transportation and referrals to warming centers are offered. Recently, a holiday meal was offered at Zuccaro's for over 625 people. In August, back-to-school vouchers of \$65 were given to needy families to buy school supplies and clothing. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, baskets are given to families and seniors.



There are many programs offered for seniors such as crafts and bingo. Character-building programs are offered for youth as well as a bell choir and brass band. Camp Eco Grove in Leonard offers programs for kids and seniors. Other services include AA-type counseling, Bible studies and nursing home ministries. A prison toy ministry allows prisoners to select a gift to be given to his/her children with a personal note. Our local SA office has a staff of eight along with Captain Connie Shaw and Major Lori Wright.

This year's goal with bell ringing is \$500K. Last year the target was \$460K and \$498K was raised. To date \$220K has been collected. More volunteer bell ringers are needed. Please call (586) 496-6712 if you are able to help.

A merry chorus of Rotarians and a guest (**Mike O'Connor, Julie Huttenlocher, Mary Ann Hosey, Paul Woodring, Bob Morris, Val Miller, Bob Randolph, and Sam D'Angelo**) rang bells for the "big finale" in a respectable rendering of "Jingle Bells."

Sarah Lee-Ellena won \$46 in the 50/50 drawing using **Bob Lee's** ticket. Will Bob Lee read this edition of *the spokesperson* and learn that his sister said, "He doesn't have to know!" It pays to have an Enquiring mind!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

12/4 LAURA (DON) CARNAGHI

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

12/6 BOB & GAIL LEE (23)

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President Eric Pierson provided a brief update of the Rotary Board meeting:

- Announced that handouts and notices should be emailed to Linda May so that they may be sent out with the bulletin in an effort to “go green.”
- **Ray Hofner** was given an official leave of absence.
- A candidate for president-nominee is being sought. We will be voting at the January 5 meeting.
- **Bob Randolph** was recognized for 26 years of perfect attendance.
- **Jamie Fitzpatrick’s** husband Todd was promoted; they will be relocating to the Lansing area. This will create a vacancy on the Rotary Board.

Don Carnaghi introduced our guests: Sharon Bernabei, Elaine Johnston and Fran Schuster, guests of **Frank Bernabei**; Barb Dempsey, guest of **Neil Dempsey**; Larry May, guest of Ken Kish; Todd Fitzpatrick, guest of Jamie Fitzpatrick; Elizabeth Vogel, guest of the club; Linda Morris, guest of **Bob Morris**; and Sheree Patterson, guest of **Bill Patterson**.

Steve Ternullo sold flowers. Bob Morris bought one for his wife Linda. Eric Pierson bought one for **Julie Huttenlocher** for hosting the Rotary Board meeting. **Bob Selwa** bought one for Linda May.

The Rotary Family Singers were given a day of rest given the abundance of musical talent awaiting in the environs.



Tom Davies was the official recognizer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Bill Patterson** announced there would be a fundraiser meeting on January 5, 2012 at 11 a.m.
- **Ken Lampar** is selling \$15 tickets to Mr. C's car wash. Macomb Literacy Partners gets 50% of the proceeds. In good new member form, Ken was already prepared to shell out \$5 for the promotion.

NEW MEMBERS

Bob Lee had the honor of welcoming two new members into the club.

- **Jennifer Morgan** is the director of the Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility. She and her husband Brian have two children.
- **Elizabeth "Liz" Vogel** works for Petitpren, Inc., beer and wine distributors. She is a Grosse Pointe resident, a trustee of the historical society, working on a library millage campaign, and a student pilot. She is a founding member of the Grosse Pointe South Interact Club.

RECOGNITION

Rotarians not bedecked with a pin were fined \$2, including new member **Jennifer Morgan**. **Cecilia Moloney** was fined \$2 for continued references to "sewer tools" which offended the recognizer. **Dana Casson** paid \$5 for Henry Ford Hospital's Malcom Baldrige Award. Members in the seats of honor at the table of Lieutenant Colonel Fitzpatrick were fined \$1. **Kris Miele** was fined \$1 for letting Eric lead the a cappella rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner." **Mary Ann Hosey** was fined \$3 for the surgery on her left foot since her out-of-pocket expenses were estimated to be next to nil given her personal connections to her physician. **Julie Huttenlocher** was fined \$5 for crying with excitement on the Lions field as she got up close and personal as a professional photographer for a day.



Kris Miele introduced the Fraser Singers, the award-winning choral group from Fraser High School. This was our 17th year of enjoying their beautiful music of the Christmas season led by conductor / director Pat Pascoretti and accompanied by Jackie Cole.

Val Miller won \$51 in the 50/50 drawing.

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