



Mount Clemens
Rotary
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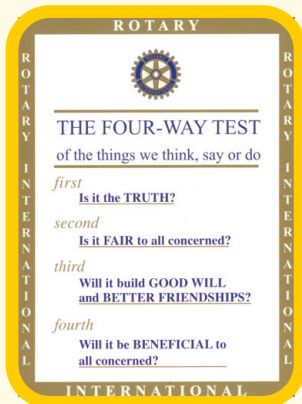


THE SPOKESPERSON

SEPTEMBER 8, 2016

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Minutes by Sarah Lee



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On a hot and humid September 8, President **Mark Zuccaro** called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. New member **Tom Sokol** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We recited "The Four-Way Test" and sang the national anthem. **Tom Davies** gave the invocation. We had a large menu to pick from: watermelon, cold potato salad, green salad, great rolls (had to eat one), green beans, pasta marinara, chicken parmigiana and pastries for dessert. There was no "Rotary Minute" as **Nancy Dedenbach** was out of town (again) or so I heard.

Guests and Visitors

Ed Mastry, former Rotarian from St. Clair, guest of **Bob Cannon**; Barb Dempsey, guest of **Bob Leslie**; and our three speakers: Brett Griffiths, Leah Publitz and Kate Lutes, guests of the club. We sang the usual greeting. Songs: "Yankee Doodle Dandy" and "R-O-T-A-R-Y."

President's Announcements

Beth Pryor has resigned from the board due to personal reasons. We are looking for someone to complete her term and join **Sarah Lee** as co-social chairperson. Beth was excellent at planning social events and we are thankful for her service. Let's hope she passes on her great Godiva martini recipe we greatly enjoyed at last year's Christmas party.

Tickets for Oktoberfest are available at the sign-in desk. It is one month from today, **October 8**, at the Carpathia Club. Please pass the word, forward the flyer, and sell your tickets. \$25 gives you one food and drink voucher, dancing, band, all inside the Carpathia Club.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Tom Isett, birthday; **Robert Lee's** wife, Gail, birthday; **Karan Bates-Gasior**, wedding anniversary (is it 26 or 27 years) and our president for his wedding anniversary. The remaining flowers went to **Paul Woodring** by **Ken Kish** for a great boating party, Barb Dempsey from Bob Leslie and our three speakers.

Goodwill

Robert Lee graciously praised his sister, Sarah, for her acting skills as Queen Agravain in Richmond Community Theatre's production of "Once Upon a Mattress," to Tom Davies' delight in setting her up to be recognized.

Sunshine

Mary Ann Hosey announced **Bob Baker** had a slight stroke and is now in Church of Christ Rehab Center, 23575 15 Mile Road, Clinton Township MI 48035. She will be sending him a card. **Bill Furest** announced a post he saw on Facebook from Jackie Duemling saying **Fred Duemling** is quite ill with Alzheimer's disease.



RECOGNITION BY TOM DAVIES

Eric Pierson got the top fine of \$4.99 for either winning the longest drive at the Salvation Army golf outing or winning a (color not black and white!) 55-inch TV that he traded for a 40-inch. **Al Zuccaro** and **Ray Glime** were asked to stand and **Bob Leslie** asked what these two men had in common. Bob's incorrect answers took \$2 from his pocket. The so-called correct answer was both had recent haircuts. Not true either so quick-thinking Mr. Davies found another reason to fine Al \$4 for the four red spots on his shirt. Ray had the haircut and his parking space was the issue. Tom later



said he has waited two years to fine Ray for parking in a no-parking zone, thus depriving the City of Mount Clemens of needed revenue. Ray's fine was \$4, split in half: \$2 to the club and a \$2 dollar bill to Mayor Dempsey. Tom then answered a phone

call from **Kevin Kelly**, as Tom had somehow "found" **Michelle Kelly's** pink phone, \$4. **Tom Isett's** birthday flower was ripped from his shirt as we were one short for our speakers. But he got it back after **Karan** said she donated her flower. No fine here. **Sarah** was asked to recite some of her lines and pointed out she plays an evil Queen not an evil witch. Unfortunately she chose the "Too bad" speech which Tom pounced upon to say, "Too bad, \$3." Tom then asked us to identify a Rotarian now deceased who loved to be fined, whined when he was fined and later thanked the finer. His son was asked to replicate the whining, which he did quite well, \$3 (**Robert Lee.**) **Patty Kaufman** fined \$3 for being the most-missed Rotarian and **Ken Kish** and **Paul Woodring** docked \$3 each for the boat trip (such is the consequence of buying a flower for the host.)

50/50: \$33 by **Tom Sokol**

PROGRAM

Reading and Writing Studios at Macomb Community College: Michelle Kelly introduced our speakers, Brett Griffiths, Leah Bublitz and Kate Lutes, who described a year-old support service at Macomb, the reading and writing studios. The purpose is to increase the college attainment rate in Michigan, which is lower than other states. Approximately half of MCC's entering students are under-prepared in reading and math skills. The studio serves them as well as the B+ student who wants to be an A student to qualify for scholarships. The first year had 5,012 students, of which 49 percent were previously enrolled in remedial reading and 21 percent were foreign born. Their average GPA went from 2.2 to 2.86, due to being in the studio.

We learned there are three myths about reading and writing. First, does good English usage equal correct English? No. Instead, it's standard English and nonstandard. Both have regular grammar construction. Language changes over time, the verbs first and the nouns last. A good example is the use of verb "axe" for "ask" heard in the African-American populations. "Axe" was the original form of "ask." Chaucer used it, as did the first English Bible. It traces back to 8th century Scotland. Scots were greatly involved in the slave trade and so it got passed on.

The second myth is students today don't read. They read more than ever, it's just their source differs. Social media and web news involves reading. Students have problems reading academic documents, which are heavy on words and slight on graphics (the opposite of social media and web news). Texting is a genre (new buzz word we learned) that doesn't require complete sentences; indeed the emoticons will show feeling.

The third myth is: the writing process requires one process, going in a straight line from pre-write, draft, revise, edit to publish. In fact, the process jumps from one stage to the other and back again, resulting in a very messy diagram. It also depends on the genre and governed by time, style and format.

In the Q&A, the speakers said they leave pronunciation (students with accents) to the speech therapists. They also mentioned it was Michelle Kelly who created the studios.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

9/4 THOMAS ISETT
9/4 MELISSA GLADIEUX-JACKSON
9/5 GAIL (BOB) LEE

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

9/2 RON & KARAN BATES-GASIOR (26!)
9/4 MARK & CATHY ZUCCARO (28!)

CELEBRATING A CLUB ANNIVERSARY!

TED DEVANTIER (31)

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Meeting started: 12:20 p.m. **Val Miller** - Pledge of Allegiance. **Tom Davies** - blessing of the meal. Lunch - salad, white cake, pasta marinara, sausage peppers potatoes and chief's stew.

Mark

- Soapbox derby - first entry in 25 years placed third in division
- September - youth focus - exchange program - currently app for HS students - outbound and inbound - any interested HS student
- Tuesday board meeting **Rob Sogge** is hosting
- Move forward on Rotarian of the Year; annual "Neal Dempsey Rotarian of the Year" award - bench name plate: Neal Dempsey
- **Nancy D.** to take over **Beth Pryor's** board position. Thank you to Beth for all her hard work.

Guests & Visitors ~ Elsa

Ed Mastry former transfer from St. Clair
John Paul Rea speaker Director of Planning Macomb County
Economic Development



Rotary Minute ~ Tom Sokol

Fun Facts - 1.9 million deaths from polio /
1987 women 196,000
28% of all Rotarians are in U.S.

Flowers

Val bought Rob S. for hosting board meeting;
Beth P. bought for Nancy D. for stepping up
and taking over her position; **Mary Ann**
bought for **Mark Z.** for being president; **Elsa**
bought for Beth for her service; **Sam** bought
for **Dave Meldrum** for golf outing



Music led by Gary Felts

Songs picked by **Joe Casasanta**: "God Bless America" and
"R.O.T.A.R.Y."

Sunshine Reports

Mrs. Zuccaro in McLaren Macomb
Tom Isett's good friend passed away, age 54, swim coach

Announcements

Christmas
Golf outing - 30 golfers
Sarah play this weekend Friday
Oktoberfest October 8 sell your 10 tickets. Need to put the signs
in the city?
September 21 - Leadership Macomb starts - people to volunteer



RECOGNITION

Ray Glime fine \$3 for parking ticket receipt; **Tom Isett** phone missing, **Tom D.** called it to find the thief, under **Mark Z's** podium. Since we can't fine the president, fine his dad **Al Z.** \$4; **Mary Ann** \$3 can't attend next Thursday; in CA for granddaughters first day; **Sam/Cecilia** \$4 eat cakes before meeting; **Glenn** \$2 / **Eric** \$4 Friends & Share \$80 worth of tickets at YMCA - whoever wins - split winnings - Eric didn't share his winnings - Does this fit "The Four-Way Test?"; **Val** - \$4 Dennis sings at Rec Bowl not Rotary - Used the Rotary email system; **Sarah** \$2/ **Elsa** \$2/ **Gloria** \$2 - All pattern black and white = dress for success; **Joe C.** \$2 refused to sing Michigan Fight Song; **Beth** \$4 doesn't like U of M



SPEAKER

(transcribed from handwritten notes)

Speaker John Paul Rea director Macomb County Planning and Economic Development
Department of 24 people help move the county forward. We are the ninth smallest county with 870,000 residents, third largest population county, 17 communities. Role: highlight quality of life and economic development opportunities. How to move forward? High concentration of population lots of people in small space. Strengthen and vibrant. 13 people every day make Macomb County their home. Injection of creativity/energy in downturn. Start with auto industry. Changing now over four years. \$5.3 billion in auto manufacturing. New dollars in innovations. Beyond automotive - offshoots aerospace business does business in Macomb County. Homeland Security \$3,000 (?) invest. Defense contracts. Health and social services - aging community. 10-year statistics elderly stay in home at high rates. Senior housing multifamily complexes. Health care institution hospitals, med service offices. We lead the nation information technology to put inside the cars - software, security, leading the nation in this area. Willow Run Plant help us but ... American Center for Mobility test plants. IT code language Java, HIFA? RTA system = SMART board of directors John Paul \$4.6 bill commitment build a world class transportation system for our area. Vote Nov. provide the region \$4.6 billion to move forward and invest in our county transit from taxes. What it will include in our area: business, corporations, Q-line M1 rail lines. Bring young families, anchor families late 20s, early 30s come here to start a family for family support. Domestic migration = families for our schools.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

9/11 PATRICIA (RAY) HERNANDEZ

9/12 JOSEPH (JENNIFER) MORGAN

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DAVE MELDRUM (39); BILL PATTERSON (9)



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**2016 Mount Clemens Soapbox Derby,
Mark Zuccaro and Valerie Miller with Valerie's
family and a family friend**



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SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

Minutes by Kristine Howell ~ Photos by Don Carnaghi & Valerie Miller

Meeting start time: 12:15; Pledge led by **Bob Morris**; blessing given by **Tom Davies**. Lunch included salad, green beans, pasta marinara, chicken Marsala and chocolate cake – YUMMM.



Rotary Minute

Eric Pierson related how he was on a cruise with his father Dick Pierson and they decided to ask if they could hold a Rotary meeting. Eric was delighted by how many Rotarians were on board and several of them became fast friends for the remainder of the cruise.



Special Presentation

A Paul Harris was awarded to **Kevin Kelly** for his Service Above Self for the good of Rotary. Jeff Furest led the presentation and awarded the pin.

Guests and Visitors

Don Carnaghi introduced Ed Mastry, Barb Dempsey, and our guest speaker, Diane Rascano.

Music Selected by Tom Davies

"Hail to the Victors" (with very sassy overtones by **Nancy Dedenbach** and other MSU-ites) and "All Hail to Rotary"



Flowers delivered by **Beth Pryor** to (partner birthday) Johnna Lesperance; wedding anniversaries **Tom Sokol**, and **Ted DeVantier**. **Karan Bates** and **Patricia Kaufman** both celebrating first year club anniversaries. Flowers sold: **Val Miller** purchased a flower for Beth Pryor for mutual Tuesday night tears? **Jeff Furest** bought two, one for daughter's birthday and one because his son is engaged. **Bob Morris** bought one for Don Carnaghi for a fun round of golf. Nancy Dedenbach bought one for Barb Dempsey because it is great to see her.

Sunshine Report

Mary Ann's father is at St. Johns Hospital not feeling well and Lillian Zuccaro is in McLaren Macomb recovering slowly. Our prayers are with you and your families.

Goodwill

Jeff Furest returned a dessert plate to Beth Pryor which he held hostage for three months. Jeff then informed us that he and the lovely Angela are no longer dating. Beth Pryor roundly roasted Jeff as not being worthy of Angela. To which Jeff responded that they are not dating because they are betrothed. Congratulations to Jeff and Angela.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dick Pierson Golf Classic was a success enjoyed by 30 golfers. The social tournament was won by Jeff Furest and his foursome.
- Christmas party will be held on **December 8** at Stahl's Auto Museum.
- Rotary District 6380 will hold its Foundation Gala Saturday **November 5** at the Troy Marriot. It is at this function that the winners of the district matching grants are announced.
- Mount Clemens Rotary Foundation needs members to sit on the board. All members interested please see Kristine Howell.
- Bell-ringing time for the Salvation Army. It is time to pick our location and fill the two-hour time slots. More information to follow.
- Christmas Parade will be **November 19**. Val announced we will have a large inflatable Rotary Wheel to display as we walk in the parade this year. We need Rotarians to hand out candy, a truck and a flatbed. Please speak with Val about the event.
- Oktoberfest: Don't forget your lederhosen on **October 8**. Party with the Germans at The Carpathia Club from 6 to 11 p.m.

RECOGNITION by TOM DAVIES

\$2 to **Bob Cannon** for excessive campaigning. \$5 to **Jeff Furest** for excessive goodwill: winning golf, going on vacation, and getting engaged; \$4.99 to **Beth Pryor** for excessive banter, breaking her foot (somehow), getting her plate back and tossing her cell phone in the river. Must have been something the caller said. \$2 to **Ken Kish** for being in the newspaper; \$4.99 to **Bob Morris** for golfing under 100 for four rounds while on vacation; \$2 to **Sam D'Angelo** for writing on his Ipad while the speaker was presenting at last meeting. \$3 to **Gloria Murray** for getting a cell call during the meeting; \$3 to **Julie Huttenlocher** for her Greece/Italy/Turkey cruise vacation – how could she leave us for that!? \$4.99 to **Bill Patterson** for letting



Tom Davies borrow a car with a bad battery. Then Bill brought bad luck on himself by picking up lava from an island volcano and promptly lost his wedding ring. However, Bill is quite pleased with his replacement ring. \$4.99 to both **Sarah Lee** and **Mary Ann Hosey** for wearing white after Labor Day.

However this rule is under review by several ladies who believe it no longer applies.



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Diane Rascano: Founder of 4 paws 1 heart, a nonprofit whose primary function is to raise money to pay the medical bills of rescued dogs, cats, and one pigmy pig. The healed animals are fostered, re-socialized then adopted by families. The organization was started in 2010 and has paid to local veterinarians over \$427,000 of medical costs. This care has helped over 3,500 animals to date. Most of these animals have been saved and adopted.

The foundation has a board of nine members and all operating costs are 100% donated. Diane, retired from DTE, and her husband run the foundation as a labor of love. The foundation has no debt. If they do not have the money, they cannot help. However with discounts given by veterinarians and emergency clinics, Diane has been able to stretch a dollar to save a furry friend.

The majority of medical treatment for the rescue animal is spayed or neutering and vaccinations. However the foundation has funded emergency surgery and in-clinic recovery time for animals that would otherwise have been euthanized.

Success Stories:

Cortney = Dog who chewed his paw off and was found discarded in a shopping parking lot is now a happy three-legged service dog to an autistic boy.

Snickers = Cat found at six weeks old sick and starving is now happy and adopted.

Joy = Dog found on the side of the road on I96 victim of a hit and run. Back legs broken. After two surgeries and recovery time is now adopted by a grateful family.

Hercules = Dog two months old found starving with both back legs broken. Today he has recovered and is a beautiful happy dog with his adopted family.

There were several other success stories to share and you can read them on her website 4paws1heart.org

There will be several fundraisers coming up such as an event at Colleen's Irish Pub in St. Clair Shores. The event draws around 200 people and raises hundreds. For more information see the website.

Diane was so appreciative of her time to speak with us, that she gave each one of us a kitten as a parting gift. Just checking to see if you are reading this.

50/50 Winner: Val Miller won \$24.



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Presidential Moment

Club sponsored the FAN event this week and four Rotarians represented the club at the event. Oktoberfest will be held October 8; please sell your tickets. **Bill Patterson** will be replacing the current keyboard for better sound and ease of transporting.



NEW MEMBER Ed Mastry was inducted into the club by **Bob Cannon and Valerie Miller**. Ed moved his business, Unity School Bus Parts, to Clinton Township 1½ years ago. His business replaces and repairs parts for school buses. Ed was a member of the Rotary Club of St. Clair but now lives in the neighborhood around the IACS so Ed is delighted to make Rotary a part of his life again. Ed was born in Syracuse, NY he is married with three children and three grandchildren. And he has a wonderful sense of humor.



NEW CORP MEMBER: Kelly Allen, Communications Director of L'Anse Creuse Schools. Kelly was delayed in joining our club because she was off having a baby girl, she also has a three-year-old son and a 12-year-old stepson. As communication director, she will focus on school foundation events, communicating millage campaigns and is currently involved in the search for a new superintendent. (Did we mention that **Jackie Johnson** will be retiring soon?) Kelly announced that on Nov. 11 and 12 there will be two focus group meetings with the community to discuss the needs of the community and what they would like to see in the next superintendent of schools.

ROTARY MINUTE VALERIE MILLER: Why become a Rotarian? When Valerie was interviewing for the position of postmaster for Mount Clemens she was asked "what do you do for your community service?" Val was stumped, nothing. And that got her thinking. After researching community clubs she chose Rotary. Today she is proud to say that her best friends are Rotarians and she would not have met them if she had not joined Rotary.



Guests & Visitors (Nancy Dedenbach greeted) Chuck Dib, guest of Kristine Howell, Shane Brown guest of Tom Davies, Kelly Allen now corp member of L'Anse Creuse Schools, and our speaker Lou Fazzini of All the World's a Stage.



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Flowers & Birthdays & Anniversaries delivered by **Bill Patterson** Birthdays: **Lori Wright** and **Eric Pierson** and Carolyn Haselwood; wedding anniversary, **Kevin and Michelle Kelly** 11 years; club anniversary: **Margo Baker and Mark Smith**. Flowers: **Jackie Johnson** bought a flower for **Kelly Allen**; **Ed Mastry** bought a flower for his nine-year-old daughter; Gary bought a flower for Ed for his help moving the keyboard; **Larry** bought a flower for **Mark**, **Kris** bought a flower for **Mary Ann**; **Ray Glime** bought for **Valerie**; and Valerie bought a flower for Shane who donated the flower to **Tom Davies** in honor of his retirement.

Songs skipped in interest of time.

Good Will

- **Glenn Burton** visited the Grosse Pointe Rotary club who have changed their meeting time to 5:30 and have made it a cocktail hour. Glenn was pleased to see Liz Vogel is now a member there. He also borrowed the portable inflatable Rotary sign for us to use at our events to test drive it before we get our own.
- **Valerie Miller** invited us to have one of the best burgers in town at the Mount Clemens Rec Bowl where her husband Dennis will be singing with the band. This is a fundraiser for the family of a band member in need after a flood disaster.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Fred Duemling is doing great recovering from a fall earlier this year. And contrary to a previous report, he is still as sharp as a tack.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Bob Cannon** offered campaign signs to Clinton Township residents to display.
- **Nancy Dedenbach** is asking for bags of individually wrapped candy to give out at the Trunk or Treat event **October 29**. The event will be held in the new parking structure in downtown Mount Clemens.



RECOGNITION

\$5 Bob Cannon for replacement of a lost pin. \$1 to all Clinton Township residents in support of Bob; \$2 to Kris Howell for handing out the check of \$15,050 to the Salvation Army at the Rotary Club of Richmond meeting. I promise to do a second presentation at the Mount Clemens club. \$4 Ed M??? for each member who got the "new member quiz" correct. Attentive Rotarians were Bob Lee, Glenn Burton, Paul Woodring, Tom Solko; \$4 Kelly Allen for each member who got the correct answer in the new member quiz. Attentive Rotarians were Larry Neal, Sarah Lee, Dave Meldrum; \$3 Jackie Johnson, for getting ready to retire. \$40 Tom Davies, for retiring from Raymond James with 40 years of service. Congratulations Tom! He would also like noted that he is wearing "winter" white.

PROGRAM / GUEST SPEAKER: LOU FAZZINI, OF ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE founder and executive director of a theater arts program organized in 1986. Objective is to use theater arts to improve communication and help develop skills to problem solve, analysis, and use performance art in all area of life. Lou works primarily with underserved and at-risk population. Groups of third graders to 12th graders. Work with mentally, developmentally challenged and young people in the juvenile justice system. Primarily working with long-term incarcerated youths. (long-term is up to one year).

Fundraiser November 3. See: www.atwas.org Need the funds to keep the programs going because they keep losing their funding. And also to develop a program for when the inmates are released to continue to help with reintegration into the community. Lou shared with us a one minute video on Violence prevention that was created and filmed by the inmates. New project started in 2015 at MORC for developmentally challenged adults lost funding. They are looking for new sources of funding to continue this program. The program changes lives through the use of theater arts.

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9/16 JOHNNA (KEITH) LESPERANCE
9/18 CANDICE (DON) MILLER
9/20 KELI FIELDS

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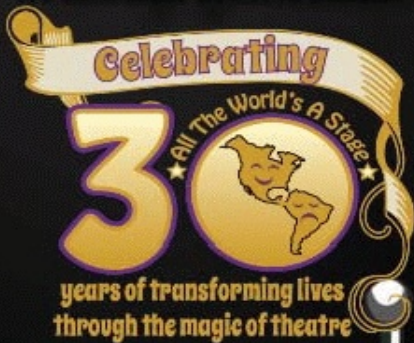
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50/50 Winner: \$25 **Ray Hernandez**

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President-elect **Sam D'Angelo**, substituting for banquet czar **Mark Zuccaro**, called the meeting to order promptly at 12:15 p.m. **Don Oldham** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and singing of the national anthem. **Nancy Dedenbach** started us off reciting "The Four-Way Test" and **Tom Davies** gave the prayer, noting the fine fall weather and the good deeds of our fellowship. The luncheon included salad, pasta, green beans and chicken with a salsa topping available. Cake and an assortment of pastries were available for dessert.

- Sam made a push for attendance and additional ticket sales for the Oktoberfest being held **Oct. 8 at The Carpathia Club** in Sterling Heights.
- Nancy reminded us that bags of candy are needed for the Trunk and Treat event on Oct. 29 in Mount Clemens. The club needs at least 2,000 pieces of candy.
- **Valerie Miller's** research found that the Rotary Global Awards program, listed on the Web, offers discounts on car rentals, office supplies and other items.

Gary Felts, our piano player, noted the arrival of the club's new piano, and **Glenn Burton** reported that the hurricane that hit Haiti did not seriously damage facilities operated by the group that has made two presentations to the club. Glenn also led the presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow to **Melissa Gladieux-Jackson**. That was followed by personal congratulations from all the club's Paul Harris Fellows in attendance.



Sarah Lee introduced our guests, speaker Carmen Wargel and Jim Oxley, hosted by Tom Davies.



The winner of previous week's 50/50 **Ray Glime** used his Rotary Minute to push for more 50/50 ticket sales, since the pots have been a little light in recent weeks. He then concluded with a magic trick showing how to tie a rope knot with one hand.



Karan Bates-Gasior was on flower duty and things got off to a rather slow start when everyone marking a birthday or anniversary was absent. True to form however, club members stepped up quickly. **Bob Lee** for **Kris Howell** for doing such a good job as director for a play in Richmond. Other sales: **Patty Kaufman** for Karan, Tom for his guest, Sam for **Al Zuccaro's** wife, Val for **Karla Gardner**, Sam for **Elsa Silverman**, **Bob Leslie** for **Jim Haselwood** for not getting greasy in Greece. **Chuck O'Grady** for new member **Ed Mastry**.

Don Oldham was on song duty and led us in "Wait Till the Sun Shines Nellie" and "R-O-T-A-R-Y." And we sounded pretty good; maybe it's the new piano.

Goodwill & Sunshine Reports



Kevin Kelly recently returned from duties at a zone meeting in Cleveland and reported two important issues. The event raised \$500,000 for Rotary's PolioPlus and it was matched by the Gates Foundation with another \$1 million. And our own district, No. 6380, was honored by having the most women members.

Karla thanked all for the success of CARE's recent fundraiser and it was reported that **Tom Sokol** is recovering from a serious knee injury.



Tom Davies, the king of recognition, was at his masterful best. His first two targets, however, got off with no fines – Kevin for his excellent report from Cleveland and **Don Carnaghi** who used his smartphone to prove to Tom that a text sent during a recent meeting to **Mark Z.** was important Rotary

business. **Chuck O'Grady** was welcomed back after missing a few meetings but was not fined.



Others were not so lucky. **Bob Cannon** paid \$3 for political signs and falling asleep during a meeting. **Haselwood** was hit for \$3 for wearing shorts after Labor Day (hey, it was 75 outside). MSU grads paid \$3 each at the recommendation of Jim Oxley, Tom's guest who resides in Indiana. Jim's comment was "anyone who loses to Indiana U. should pay." Ouch!

Nancy paid \$4 for improperly parking her car at the meeting. And **Ray Glime** paid \$4 for leaving his car – for the second time – in a no parking zone. Tom recently retired and is apparently looking for part-time work as a parking meter-man.

Sarah and Bob Lee were fined for acting in the Richmond Theater's play "Charlie Brown." **Kris Howell** paid \$4 for improperly stating in the spokesperson that **Ed Mastry** is married.

Sam and Elsa paid \$5 each, \$1 per day for a trip together to Naples. **Val** also paid \$2 for sending an email to Bob Lee at 2:08 a.m. "I couldn't sleep," Val said. Apparently she wasn't the only one – Bob answered in less than five minutes.



Karan introduced our speaker, Carmen Wargel, a community organizer and educator on domestic and sexual violence. She has engaged in education and conversation related in domestic violence and sexual assault with over 4,000 people since 2006 on topics such as recognizing and responding to domestic violence and healthcare responses. She said that every nine seconds a woman in the U.S. is beaten and one in four women will eventually become a victim of domestic violence.



The presentation included video of some of these victims. She noted that there is help available from the Macomb Community Domestic Violence Council, which brings together community resources to promote a culture of healthy, safe, and fair relationships through education, conversation and community.

MCDVC sponsors seminars, open to the public free of charge, on these topics. For more information visit www.mcdvc.org and its Facebook page www.facebook.com/MCDVC.

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Christmas Party

At exactly 15 minutes passed noon, President **Mark Zuccaro** gavelled our meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Jim Haselwood**, after which we all joined in to sing our national anthem. Our pre-meal prayer was delivered by **Tom Davies**, with a special moment of silence and reflection to honor the passing of Lillian Zuccaro. Today's lunch menu included chicken in gravy, Caesar salad, roasted potatoes, green beans and cake for dessert.

President Mark began the meeting by thanking all members for their condolences and support upon the passing of his mother, Lillian.

He moved on to inform us of a new feature that will pop up whenever anyone Googles Mount Clemens Rotary. The pop-up provides location and meeting information and even directions to anyone that might be visiting from out of town.



Mark also congratulated **Sal D'Angelo** on the success of the Oktoberfest party held last Saturday. Sal elaborated on the event, explaining that it was our first public social event held with the intent of showing others how much fun Rotary is and hopefully enticing some to consider becoming a member.

Mark then took a moment to remind us that our district governor will be visiting our club on Thursday, **November 3**, at which time he will speak on the subject of how to engage someone in 15 seconds. All members are encouraged to ask friends and acquaintances to attend and enjoy this informative event.

Although it was **Sarah Lee's** duty to introduce guests and visitors today, none were present, so she got off easy this week.

Last week's 50/50 drawing was won by a friend and guest of **Tom Davies**, so there was also no Rotary Minute today.

Continuing the theme of "Yes! We have no bananas today," **Elsa Silverman** announced that we had no member birthdays or anniversaries to honor with flowers. So those in attendance had lots of flowers to purchase, including Elsa, who bought one for Sal D'Angelo to thank him for the Oktoberfest. **Glenn Burton** bought one for **Mark Zuccaro** in sympathy of his mother's passing.



Beth Pryor bestowed a bloom on **Valerie Miller** for giving her a ride to the meeting. **Karan Bates-Gasior** sent one to **Larry Neal** for "bailing her out" by volunteering to be the fill-in speaker today after the scheduled speaker canceled at the last minute. Yours truly, **Bob Morris**, purchased a flower for **Ken Kish** as a thank-you for filling in as bulletin writer last week, and the last carnation was sold to Mark Zuccaro who gave it to Elsa for selling flowers today.

Our Thursday afternoon songfest was led by **Jeff Oldham**. His first selection was a spirited rendition of "The Band Played On" and our Rotary song of the day was "Roll Rotary."

In response to President Mark's request for Good Will, **Melissa Jackson** announced that her daughter just celebrated her Sweet Sixteenth birthday. More in the vein of a Sunshine Report, **Mary Ann Hosey** announced that her father's health has continued to slip and asked that we keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Similarly, **Val Miller** indicated that she had a recent conversation with Candice Miller in which Candice said that her husband, **Don**, would not likely be attending Rotary any longer. Apparently, Don's memory is greatly deteriorated and she doesn't think he would remember anyone any longer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS were begun by **Nancy Dedenbach**, who reminded us that we should all contribute candy for the "Trunk or Treat" event coming up later this month. She also said that she would be organizing another euchre contest to be held in November, but the exact date and location had not yet been finalized. **Sarah Lee** reminded us that this year's Christmas party would be held on **December 8** at Stahl's Auto Museum in New Baltimore, so "save the date." Kevin Kelly finished up the announcements by telling us that the Rotary Foundation Centennial Dinner would be held in Cleveland on **October 23**. The dinner will honor Arch Klumph, "Father of the Foundation" and RI president 1916-17. Any and all information about this event can be found at trf100.com.



The sting of recognition was delivered this day by Mr. Float Like a Butterfly himself, **Tom Davies**. He began by fining our piano player, Gary Felts, \$1 for taking a Styrofoam cup filled with ice water with him "for the road." He moved on by explaining that out of four song books at his table, all the sponsors of those books were deceased, except for one, which was sponsored by Ken Kish. For the crime of still being alive, Ken paid up a buck. **Arthur Niederkohr** was next on Tom's hit list for the indiscretion of visiting the chow line twice. For this Arthur paid \$3. **Bill Patterson** soon parted with \$4.99 to purchase a picture of his wife toting his "show chickens" to a competition that Bill was unable to attend. Bill made clear that it was not Sheree's fault his chickens did not win, but rather that it was poor judging. **Sal D'Angelo** will think twice in the future about consuming large amounts of hot pickled cabbage. Tom made him part with \$4.99 for winning the sauerkraut eating contest at the Oktoberfest event.



Consider it fair warning that if Tom Davies points a camera in your direction and you don't want to be recognized at our next meeting, you had best turn the other way. The following Rotarians were fined for pictures taken by Tom at the Oktoberfest: **Larry Neal** paid \$4, **Val Miller** paid \$3, **Jennifer Morgan** parted with \$2, **Bob Morris** contributed \$3, **Jim Haselwood** paid up \$3, **Nancy Dedenbach** threw in \$2, and **Beth Pryor** coughed up \$4. **Elsa Silverman** also acquired a photo of herself at the event but paid the maximum fine of \$4.99 for having won \$2,500 at a fundraising event for Families Against Narcotics.



Tom next asked **Glenn Burton** to model a jacket he had bearing a flag motif and emblazoned with USA on the back. He didn't fine Glenn for this but hit him up for \$4 for some pictures. **Al Zuccaro** was fined in absentia for a T-shirt from a Care House event that bore the family name as a sponsor. Lastly, Tom recognized, but did not fine, **Mike O'Connor** for his slimmed down appearance. Mike said he had lost about 30 pounds and that it was all due to working out in his basement.



Our scheduled speaker for today cancelled at the last minute, so in true Rotary spirit, **Larry Neal** volunteered to fill in. Can you guess the subject of Larry's impromptu presentation? Of course, it was public libraries. Larry recounted how he has visited many libraries around the state, the nation and even the world. He has noticed that all libraries face many of the same challenges and serve their community in much the same ways regardless of where they are. Literacy is a problem worldwide, and libraries serve to teach those in the community to read and write. He noted that communities continue to support their local libraries even in the face of computers and the internet. Here in Michigan, there is no mandate for communities to establish and fund a library. Regardless, Michigan communities have voted to support 70 of 72 millage proposals in recent months.



Larry went on to point out that public libraries are often directly engaged in community redevelopment. During a recent visit to Holland, he learned of a community that acquired a piece of dilapidated waterfront property on which their new library was to be located. The existing building was razed and the new library building was constructed, creating a nexus for redevelopment of the surrounding area. Similarly, the Clinton-Macomb Public Library acquired a building on Gratiot Avenue in Clinton Township that had once housed a pool hall, a video store and the like. After extensive remodeling, the building now houses a state-of-the-art library and is heavily attended by the surrounding population.

Larry finished up by recounting how public libraries serve as a resource for communities in crisis. When civil disturbances shut down the schools in Ferguson, Missouri, the local libraries remained open and teachers were able to meet with their students there to continue their education. Similar activity was noted in Baltimore, Maryland during the unrest there. Part of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library's contingency planning includes being an informational hub for the community in times of crisis.

Larry finished up his talk by noting that today's library is not your parent's or grandparent's library. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library offers access to the latest in computer technology, modern music, video and even video gaming. Its reciprocal membership agreements with other libraries makes it accessible to those who hold a card with other libraries, as well.

The 50/50 totaled \$28 and was won by Al Zuccaro, who once again was not present. If you're reading this Al, congratulations. Your money was last seen being stuffed deep in your son's pocket.



The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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10/19 DALE (MELISSA GLADIEUX-JACKSON)

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As we were finishing up our meal, President Mark informed us that about \$400 or \$500 had been donated to our club as honorarium to Neil Dempsey. Discussions have been held by the board of directors, but no decision has been made on what to do with the money. Mark also led us on a review of upcoming events that were printed out and distributed to each table. Of special note was the need for Salvation Army bell ringers for Saturday, November 12, and also for members to walk in the Thanksgiving Parade in Mount Clemens on Saturday, November 19.

Sarah Lee stepped up to introduce guests and visitors today. They were Tom Stanton, our speaker, Kevin Rizzo, and **Bob and Jane Selwa**.

Last week's 50/50 drawing was won by **Al Zuccaro**, so he presented the Rotary Minute. Al said that, although he had won the 50/50, he had also lost his wife. However, Al recognized that they had a good life together and that Lillian hadn't suffered in her final days. He was grateful for that and to all those that expressed their sympathy and support.

Ray Hernandez was up next to sell flowers. **Glenn Burton** was first to spring, buying a bloom for Ray Hernandez in appreciation for a recent tailgate party Ray sponsored. **Larry Neal** then bought one for **Jeff Furest** for helping with the library fundraiser. **Dave Gerlach** sent one over to **Valerie Miller** and **Kevin Kelly** bought one for President Mark, as a thank-you for taking him golfing. **Frank Bernabei** bought one for **Rheanne Suszek** and **Ray Glime** pitched in to buy the last one for **Sandra Zettle**.

Don Oldham led us in song this day. His first selection was "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" and our Rotary song of the day was "R-O-T-A-R-Y." (What's that spell?).

Sarah Lee kicked off Good Will today by reminding us to bring guests next week for the DG's visit. **Patti Kaufman** was next, boasting that a Baker College alum had recently been honored as Michigan Chef of the Year. Val Miller announced that her granddaughter was attending her first track meet and Bob Selwa beamed with pride in announcing that his grandson had received straight As in his seventh grade studies. Finally, **Tom Isett** indicated that we should all feel a little safer when in Clinton Township because his son had just been sworn in as a police officer there.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

As with last week, announcements were begun by **Nancy Dedenbach**, who said that the euchre party would be held at Madison's Bar in Mount Clemens, but a firm date was not yet established. The only other announcement was from **Jeff Furest**, who felt it important to let us all know that he would not be attending our meeting on opening day of deer season. Jeff hunts? Who knew?

RECOGNITION

Julie Huttenlocher stepped in for her Dad to conduct recognition today. She first addressed **Karan Bates-Gasior** regarding a *Macomb Daily* article that mentioned Turning Point as the recipient of a charitable gift. Rather than fine Karan, however, Julie opted to fine her entire table \$5 each instead. **Beth Pryor** was next on the hit list, as Julie congratulated her on a fine acting job a couple of weeks ago. For helping set up Jeff Furest's engagement announcement, Beth was fined \$2. While on the subject, Julie queried Jeff regarding the size of the diamond ring he gave his fiancée, and then produced a giant version from a gift bag, hoping it was at least the



same size. She fined Jeff \$5. Julie then explained that she ran across an old Rolodex at home and had pulled out a couple of the old cards from it. She 'sold' one card each to **Mike O'Connor** and **Ray Glime** for \$2 apiece. Julie tried to pin something on **Don**

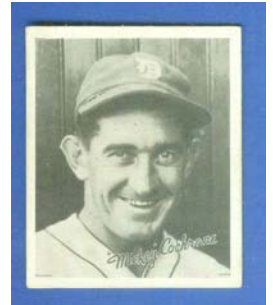
Oldham based on information provided by her father, Tom. However, it soon became apparent that Tom was misinformed and Don was innocent, so no fine was levied. Julie then produced some 50/50 tickets that had been turned into the lost and found. They were claimed by **Nancy Dedenbach**, but since she had already paid the maximum \$5 for the day, the tickets were returned at no charge. Lastly, **Bill Patterson** paid the price of \$5 for winning show champion at a recent chicken show. Congrats, Bill!

SPEAKER

Tom Stanton was our speaker today. Tom is the author of a *New York Times* Best Seller entitled "Terror in the City of Champions." His inspiration to write the book goes back to his childhood growing up in Warren, Michigan, where family gatherings would often lead to the older men waxing nostalgic about the heyday of Detroit sports teams of the 1930s.

Considering the not-so-hot performance of Detroit teams during Tom's childhood, he was riveted by their stories, including accounts of the KKK-like organization called the Black Legion. The Legion ran rampant in Detroit spreading terror among minorities and recruiting otherwise law-abiding white citizens to join their ranks, more or less at gunpoint.

The book features accounts of the exploits of Tigers manager Mickey Cochran, Harry Bennett (Henry Ford's union-busting right-hand man) and Tigers super fan Dayton Dean, who would rise in the ranks of the Black Legion, only to turn state's witness, leading to the demise of the group. All in all, the book presents a rich tale of the confluence of crime, history and sports in the Motor City in the 1930s.



The 50/50 totaled \$34 and was won by Don Oldham.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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President **Mark Zuccaro** called our meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by our guest speaker, **Kris Howell**, after which we all joined in to sing our national anthem. Mark then led us in "The Four-Way Test," and our pre-meal prayer was delivered by Gary Felts. Today's lunch menu included chicken Parmesan, tossed salad, rolls, cheesy potatoes with bacon, a vegetable medley, and chocolate cake for dessert.

Mark once again conducted a review of upcoming events that were printed out and distributed to each table followed by **Beth Pryor's** announcement of our guests and visitors. They were Chuck Dib, Ellen Lysik, Elaina Conklin and Shenandoah Chefalo, our speaker.



Ray Hernandez was once again our flower salesman today. **Bill Patterson** bought one each for Beth Pryor and **Mary Ann Hosey**, saying they were "funeral flowers" ahead of the MSU vs. Michigan game on Saturday. Ellen Lysik bought one for our speaker, Shenandoah Chefalo. **Paul Woodring** purchased one for **Don Oldham** in recognition of his handling of music for the month.

Beth Pryor bought one for **Arthur Niederkohr** and someone whom I missed bought one for **Cecilia Moloney**. Finally, **Julie Huttenlocher** bought the final bloom for guest Elaina Conklin.

Once again, Don Oldham led us in song. His first selection was "Singin' in the Rain" followed "R-O-T-A-R-Y."



Beth Pryor had the only Good Will today, saying that she nailed down a new job yesterday. **Nancy Dedenbach** provided the sole Sunshine Report, saying that Mark Meldrum had fallen down a flight of stairs and broke his neck. Please keep Mark in your thoughts and prayers.

Nancy Dedenbach announced that the **euchre party** would be held at Madison's Bar in Mount Clemens on Tuesday, **November 15**. There will be a \$10 entry fee and registration begins at 6:30 p.m. with play commencing at 7 p.m.





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Recognition duties once again fell to **Julie Huttenlocher**, who began by hitting up **Cecilia Moloney** and **Chuck O'Grady** for pictures taken at the Oktoberfest event. They were each fined \$3. Julie then cited a recent sympathy card received by **Valerie Miller**, which was odd because no recent events had occurred which might require one. It turns out that **Bill Furest** had sent her the card in a case of mistaken identity. Bill was fined \$4. Julie then called attention to a very scary Halloween picture posted on Facebook by **Nancy Dedenbach**. Julie was so shocked by the image that she fined Nancy \$4. **Beth Pryor** and **Mary Ann Hosey** attended today's meeting decked out in full MSU regalia. Being that Julie has misguided affection for the team that wears those funny painted helmets, she fined Beth and Mary Ann \$3 each. Next, Julie brokered the traditional bet regarding the MSU vs. UM football game. The loser of that contest will pay \$5 each.



Karan Bates-Gasior introduced Shenandoah Chefalo, our speaker today. Shenandoah has recently written a book entitled "Garbage Bag Suitcase," a memoir of her life in and out of the fostered care system. Although a very serious and sobering accounting of books subject was about to ensue, Shenandoah first made clear that she was a diehard Spartan fan, and would be rooting hard for her team on Saturday. She provided further background on herself, saying that she lived with her family on Long Lake in Traverse City, where she and her husband practice criminal law.

Shenandoah grew up in the foster care system, moving from one foster home to another as a child. When approaching her time to graduate from high school, she sought the recommendation of her high school guidance councilor regarding where and how she go on to college. She was told that foster kids like her didn't go to college, but were better suited to become waitresses or other service workers. Discouraged but undaunted, and with the help of a caring teacher, she applied to Michigan State. While at MSU, she got her law degree and went to work at a law firm in Lansing, where she met her husband.



Julie then played quiz master, asking **Dave Meldrum** to identify the Rotarian that is a member of a local rock band. Dave correctly identified **Dave Gerlach**, thereby avoiding a fine. **Don Oldham** was not so lucky, as he was unable to name the Rotarian that was a pipe aficionado. For not knowing that that is one of **Eric Pierson's** passions, Don paid \$1. **Ray Hernandez** was at sea when asked which Rotarian was an avid SCUBA diver. Unable to come up with

Mary Ann Hosey for his answer, Ray paid \$1. Finally, yours truly was taken to task for blatantly making up the winner of last week's 50/50 drawing, an offense that set me back \$3.

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On a greatly improving weather day, the members of the BEST Rotary club in District 6380 entered the Italian American Cultural Center. The usual 50/50 suspects of **Cecilia Moloney, Ken Kish and Ray Glime** greeted the members and guests and took our \$\$\$.



At 12:17 President **Mark Zuccaro** rang the meeting to order. **Tom Isett** was called on to lead the club in the Pledge of Allegiance and national anthem. We had an extra bonus of the Canadian national anthem, which we fumbled through ... eh ... Pres. Mark made sure we passed our "Four-Way Test" without failing ... ehs ... for everyone. Past President **Tom Davies** gave an autumn themed prayer. You can always count on an Italian meal every Thursday, which consisted of salad, rolls, tubular pasta and sauce, famous green beans and chicken Parmesan with layer cake for dessert.

After a 23-minute breaks Pres. Mark got the meeting rolling. **Don Carnaghi** had the big task of announcing guests and visitors. Due to having District Governor Michael Caruso as our speaker, the attendance was much greater. They were Michael Balsamo, guest of **Michele Kelly**. Douglas Kelly guest. Carey "the First" Furest guest of Bill. Robin Wilcock guest. Sharon Richardson and Sarah Boyle from 1st State Bank. Terri North guest. Kathy Elliott guest of **Don C.** Theresa Randolph from MC Kiwanis, Annette Johnston and Joann Lademar guest of the Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Robert Amsler was my guest, Sarah Hendrick guest, Glen Maurer Talmer Bank and soon-to-be-new-member Chuck Dib, guest of **Kris Howell**.



Dave Meldrum flipped the flowers to **Art Niederkohr** for 37 years of birth, **Ted DeVantier** is now of Social Security age. Bill and Carey celebrated 55 blissful years of marriage. I did not follow the flowers after that due to distractions at my table so I'm sure they went to the proper peeps. With the Cubs victory fresh on our minds, Michele Kelly led us in "Take Me Out to the Ball Game."

Goodwill was had by **Kris Howell** for directing the play of "Charlie Brown Christmas" which will take place in Richmond in December. Bill F. was thankful for 50 years in business. **Sandra Zettel** and her son really enjoyed passing out the Rotary candy at the Trunk or Treat last weekend.



William "winner" Furest gave the Rotary 60 seconds of, after a Rotary tuxedo ball, he and 11 of his friends crashed a dive bar, and upon entry, the place went silent. Bill has that effect on people; just ask him.



Announcements consisted of **Elsa Silverman**, needs bell ringers on 11/12 at 21 Mile and Card for the 10-2 and 2-6 time slots. The club is sponsoring a euchre tournament 11/15 \$10 pp 6:30 at Madison's bar in the Mount. **Lori Wright** spoke of a \$150 corporate kettle for the Salvation Army; see her for details.



Mike O'Connor had big recognition shoes to fill with Neil Dempsey's passing. Mike went right after the losing Michigan State grads and

nailed them for \$4. **Julie Huttenlocher** knows her U of M Heisman history and spanked Dr. Mike on the trivia, no \$\$\$ from her. Traveling Rotarians **Kris H.** \$5 for going to AZ, **Tom "permanent vacation" Davies** \$5 for a Cuba trip. **Dave Meldrum** \$2 for a golf trip. San Fran **Bob Lee** forked over \$5. **Don C.** got nicked \$5 for failing to announce our DG. **Jackie Johnson** was hit for \$5. Phone violator **Tom "it wasn't me" Isett** \$1. **Bill F.** happily paid \$55 for 55 years of marriage. Based on our fine garments and style **Elsa S.** and I were hit for \$2. "Piano" Gary got slammed for an undisclosed amount.



Assistant District Gov. **Sarah Lee** introduced DG Caruso. Michael, 20-year Rotarian, and is an author and keynote speaker by profession. Over this time he has given over 2,000 presentations at no charge to Rotary groups and organizations. Our district comprises 52 clubs and 12 districts ranging from Chelsea on the west and Chatham in Canada on the east. One of his roles is a "talent director" focusing in on the members in each club to bring out their special skills.



This is the 100th year of the Rotary Foundation thanks to the efforts of Arch Klumph. Over the past 100 years over \$3 BILLION have been raised and funded polio projects and grants all over the world. The district conference is at the Grand Hotel on beautiful Mackinac Island May 4-7 at a very reasonable rate of \$1,140 per couple. The district is also having a Million Dollar Dinner on 4/1/2017 at a location yet to be disclosed.



The core of his talk was how to engage people in 15 seconds. His 15-word approach of - I'm proud of you, What is your opinion, Will you please, Thank you and repeating the name of the person you are speaking to, all help to break the ice on an initial meeting. Other key traits are always smile, walk with a purpose and have a firm handshake, all help to create a bond. It is always good to relearn these valuable skills.



50/50 for \$46 - you guessed it **Bill Furest**.





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The winds of change were blowing hard on the members of the club as they found their way to the Italian American Cultural Center. Since I was a late arrival, the 50/50 ticket window was closed so I gladly kept my \$\$\$.

At 12:16 Vice President **Elsa Silverman** opened the meeting for the missing President **Mark Zuccaro**. **Gloria Murray** took the lead of the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem with Piano Gary hitting all the right keys on the organ. Again the club was tested four different ways and thankfully **Mary Ann Hosey** was there to keep us in line. **Sarah Lee** polished up her grace skills and presided over a unifying prayer for the club and country. The meal deviated from the Italian norm and we dined on beef skirt steak in a mushroom brown sauce, mixed veggies, roasted potatoes, salad rolls and a chocolate layer cake for dessert, that **Jeff Furest** really enjoyed.



Elsa opened up the meeting with a need for a bell ringer this Saturday from 4-6 p.m. at the Kroger at 21 Mile and Card. Yours truly was called on to share the great news of the 6380 District grant for \$1,200 to our International project the Joan Rose Foundation in Jacmel, Haiti. Hopefully by the beginning of the new year we will be able to send the funds to the Foundation. David Palmer really appreciates all the work we have done and will continue to do to make the project a success. **Val Miller** had a fundraiser meeting prior to the normal meeting and is looking for volunteers for the event in late April or early May. A dueling piano theme is being discussed. The newer members should get involved because you can really see how the club operates a grand scale.

It was a very special day since we were admitting a new member, **Chuck Dib** being sponsored by Past Pres. **Kris Howell**. **Ted DeVantier** led the induction ceremony making us "all proud to be Rotarians." Chuck used to belong to the Midland noon Rotary club and when he was in Kris's office and saw the Rotary plaques it was a sign to join. Chuck has been married for a year to a really, really nice wife (you can pay me later) who specializes in oral surgery. Chuck is in the field of wholesale financial planning. Great to have him aboard.



Don Carnaghi had the pleasure of announcing our guest and visitors. Coming from the cable access TV station were: Cheyanne Stewart, Crystal Bryant, Patrick Linabury and Darren Roberts. Stephanie Mikabile was also in attendance.

Since **Bill Furest** was absent, **Jeff F** filled in for the Rotary Minute and discussed how Bill pads the bowl by over buying tickets, seems to be working.



Nancy Dedenbach flinged the flowers to **Sandra Zettel** for her 29th B'day, Bill F. and **Don Miller** had wedding anniversaries. **Bob Baker** has 44 years with the club and I 22. **Paul Woodring** was sad to see **Al Zuccaro** head to FLA so he purchased one for Al. Money grabbers **Cecilia Moloney** and **Ken Kish** received petals from Val M and **Nancy D.** Mary Ann H wanted to make sure Chuck D was welcomed and passed one his way. I received my second flower from Jeff F for the grant approval and Val M gave one to Jeff F for his big donation to the District Foundation.



Jeff F conducted the music of "Zip-a-dee-doo-dah" and "Roll Rotary."

Nancy D mentioned that you can pay your bill by credit card and **Julie Huttenlocher** will have the card reader next week. Nancy also mentioned that our Christmas sharing in the community will be with Martha T. Berry. It will be in the form of Blue Tooth headphones for the residents to wear while watching TV at a cost of \$15-20 per set.

Don't forget about the **euchre tourney 11/15** at Madison's in the Clem starting at 6:30. **The Santa Parade is 11/19** and we need bodies to carry signs and help with the float. Be at Vick's Funeral home at 9:30. The club was sorry to hear of the passing of **Mike O'Connor's** brother at the age of 60 details to follow.

Since Mike O was out of town **Eric Pierson** pinch-hit for him. First in the box was newbie **Chuck D.** Eric took it easy on him for \$3. Only the hunters of Eric and Jeff were called out and not fined. Jeff F was recognized at the recent gala but did not attend due to a mixup, so District Rep. **Sarah L** paid a \$2 fine. World traveler **Rheanne S** recent trip to China cost \$3. **Don C's** pic of a two-pronged deer got him nicked for \$2. **Jeff F** being a table mate of Eric's busted him for \$2 and **Nancy D.** Poor pedal skills flashed her for \$2.



Karan Bates-Gasior introduced Patrick Linabury from the shared cable Community Access and Mount Clemens School TV Program. Patrick has run the program for the community and the school for the past 20 years and has spoken to the club before. "Bath city Beat" is a popular teen show shown the cable network. The three programs are the government, education and public affairs channels that are broadcast into the cable station. At the high school they changing over to the HD format and are trying to become the state of the art in broadcasting. Patrick and his team are interested to show what is going on in the community such as with the various services clubs in town. While at the meeting Darren Roberts videoed our club for possible release on the public affairs channel. The group received a historical certificate from the state of Michigan for the banners that they produced and displayed around town. They have also developed a "Minute of Your Time" series on YouTube as a way to show case their work and the history of our area. Well done.

50/50 winner **Paul Woodring** \$23



Say hello to Chuck Dib!



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