

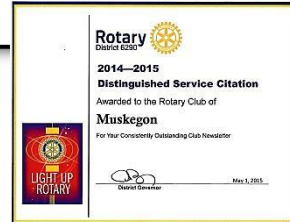
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Muskegon Rotary Club
Club 16 (2809) – District 6290, Chartered May 1, 1916
January 4, 2018 12:00–1:30pm
Muskegon Harbor Holiday Inn
ReWine Satellite Club 5:15 - 6:30pm Holiday Inn



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THE FOUR WAY TEST THAT ROTARIANS USE IN MAKING ETHICAL DECISIONS:

Is it the **truth**? Is it **fair** to all concerned? Will it build **goodwill** and better **friendships**? Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?



(1/4) "Program Some Call a Mystery"

This is it: the absolute edge of no return: to turn back now and make home or sail irrevocably on and either find land or plunge over the world's roaring rim" - William Faulkner

MEETER / GREETER

Erin Kuhn

INVOCATOR - REFLECTOR

Meredith Smillie

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Salad Bar w/ 6 toppings, 3 dressings; Tomato Basil Soup; Loaded Potato Soup; Chili; Split Pea Ham Soup; Assorted Desserts

NEXT WEEKS' BIRTHDAYS

Lisa Sabourin Jan 09
Megan Byard-Karaba Jan 10
Jim Schiltz Jan 10

FUTURE PROGRAMS / EVENTS

12/28 **HOLIDAY BREAK** (no meeting)
01/04 TBA
01/11 Muskegon Lumberjacks
01/18 Economic Case-Justice Reform
01/25 America's Opioid Crisis
02/01 Benny, Youth Exchange Student
02/08 Case for Justice Reform
02/15 TBA
02/22 Hong Kong and More
03/01 Youth Empowerment Program



Showman's Holiday Surprise



Just before our last meeting, Bob Scolnik finalizes details for a special surprise with President Cathy, one he'd later laud on Facebook generating hundreds of responses to mung-up the RIM Newsroom computer for days. See page 3 for more on this surprise.

Below is a peek at our annual holiday meeting with spouses/ special someones, entertainment, a yum-yum meal and a mostly in-tune sing-along with members.



Two terrific friends, above, both recently released from hospitals following serious surgeries: Rotarian **Tom Powers** and wife Cathy. Normally "snowbirds" in the winter, they'll be heading to South Carolina, returning in May... all pending their doctors' OK.

We wish them "Happy Travels" and a safe route until we meet again.



Our Final Gathering of 2017

As is customary for last-of-the-year Rotary meetings with spouses or significant others, decorum was in abundance, the meal was unique and delicious, and our entertainment kept spirits bright. VOICES 8, minus 1 this time around, sings at a number of locations as well as tour ships that harbor here in the summer months.

Taking a short break now from otherwise serious Rotary stuff, we visit with Yule Jules Terry all duked up Thursday in her holiday



finest, competing her socks against perpetual sock king Gary Nelund's. Who won their contest? Voting - still too close to

call.

Peace and Happy Holidays

Whether you celebrate the Birth of the Savior, the Birth of the Prophet, the Festival of Lights and Rededication of the Temple, or just the Seasons and the Winter Solstice, or the End of the Year and start of the New Year, may you be blessed to celebrate with your Family and with the Family of Rotary. We wish you all Happy Holidays and Peace in the New Year.



District Governor Ed and Carol Swart

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VOICES 8, led by Nels Carlson, second from left, shared their barbershop harmonies with us. Christmas songs and a delightful sing-along were the perfect touch for our get-together.



Memo of Understanding

The mission of Muskegon Area Sister Cities Board is to "promote peace through mutual respect, understanding and cooperation – one individual, one community at a time." Karen Kayes, right, representing that board, presented our Rotary board with a check just under \$14,000 to support socio-economically disadvantaged youth who otherwise would not be able to participate in a Rotary sponsored international service project or exchange program. The idea is to use it to support youth going to Honduras, El Salvador, etc. We anticipate it lasting 10 years or so.



ROTARY REWINE

Muskegon Holiday Inn
Thursdays 5:15 – 6:30pm
Meeting Minutes 12-14-17:
<http://bit.ly/2BIczf2>

**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year**

See You January 4

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Very Special Day for Merle Scolnik

by Bob Scolnik

I've been a member of the Muskegon Rotary Club for 30 years. Rotary's major honor is to be named a Paul Harris Fellow. The honoree does not have to be a Rotarian and it can be given for a number of reasons, including exceptional community service, helping foster better understanding and friendly relations among all people as well as any number of things that make a difference in the world.

Merle has not been an individual to seek the limelight. She has had a huge impact as a life-long special education teacher, a 25 year Sunday School Principal, President of our Congregation, a mentor to other young women and is very active with community organizations such as the Women's Division of the Chamber and as a Board Member of Read Muskegon.

But, to me, her biggest gift was being my biggest supporter and cheerleader. She has helped me, behind the scenes; in so many ways I can't begin to list them. Without her, I never would have been able to achieve the successes I had in business. She never complained when I worked 7 days a week and seldom took a vacation. She was always there, taking care of our kids and our home, helping me be successful.

I nominated Merle for the Paul Harris Award and today, in front of our packed Rotary annual holiday luncheon at the Holiday Inn, I got to present the award. She was shocked...but very pleased and many, many people came up to us with some terrific comments.

Congratulations to the newest Paul Harris Fellow in the world!



Bob & Merle Scolnik

Then There's the...

Rotary story of Susan and Orville Crain

In one lonely word, the Crains are reverently known far and wide as "that hard working, creative and dedicated member couple who've made themselves known in various Rotary circles and who strive to make others known as well,

first with Susan as Club president and recently when Orv ascended to an elected Board position." There. So much in one word. But even moreso when he presented her with her fifth Paul Harris Fellowship last week including a blingy five-sapphire pin.



Susan, Orville & Ginny Sprague

Muskegon Rotary Leadership Academy

Two Sessions:

Jan 18, 4-7pm Holiday Inn

Feb 21 4-7pm Lakeshore Mmuseum Center

Register by email:

muskegonrotary@gmail.com

CAN, CAN DO

Any chance you could get something in the RIM reminding people to bring their empty cans to the 1-11 meeting?? **YEP, HERE IT IS.** Or, they can call Linda Meyers at 231-740-2460 for pickup service!! **HERE THAT, GANG. BET YOU HAVE SOME REURNABLES. YES?**

CHILI COOKOFF POSTER

FEBRUARY 6, 2018

<http://bit.ly/2BFU5vI>

Need more chili. Contact John Noling

Chili Chefs:

- Esther Ricco
- Kaytie Ely
- Ken Johnson
- John Selmon
- Julia Koch
- John Noling
- Jeff Lohman
- David Manley
- Cathy Brubaker-Clark
- Darlene Collet
- John Slouman
- Mary Beth Ramos
- Ed Hendrickson
- Doug Mealey
- Susan Crain
- Orville Crain