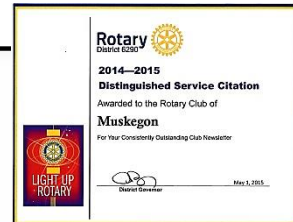




Muskegon Rotary in Motion



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Muskegon Rotary Club

Club 216 (2809) – District 6290, Chartered May 1, 1916

July 2, 2015 12:10pm

Lake House Waterfront Grille

<http://www.muskegonrotary.org>



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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?



Program: "Passing of the Gavel" Presidents Brianna and Susan

MEETER / GREETER

Jane Clingman-Scott

INVOCATION

Jack Briggs

THIS MEETING'S MENU

Roast Turkey Breast
with sherry/sage gravy,
garlic/parmesan mashed
potatoes, fresh vegetable,
offered with garden salad
bar and brownies

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Doug Pollock	Jul 3
Bob Szymoniak	Jul 3
Bob Irwin	Jul 6
Mary Beth Ramos	Jul 6
John Severson	Jul 7
Colonel Winnick	Jul 7
Adam Zuwerink	Jul 7
Bill Johanson	Jul 8

PROGRAMS/ EVENTS

07/09 Image Campaign
07/16 Foster Parents
07/23 Lyman Davis Sailing Vessel
07/30 Rotary/MSU Peru Project
08/06 E-merge Update
08/15 Empowering Ex-Offenders
08/23 TEDx Renae Hesselink
09/23 **Grape Escape**

Rotary International Conference Recap

President Brianna invited Orville and Susan Crain to share their experience attending the Rotary International Conference in São Paulo, Brazil. The trio started by teaching members the "happy clap", the official clap of Rotary they discovered then described how they fared communicating in the Spanish and Portuguese speaking country. They spoke

about the various breakout sessions the conference offered, the amazing people they met from around the world and all of the new exciting ideas they are now able to bring back to our club. Orville summarized the life changing experience as inspiring, informational and entertaining. President Brianna ended by encouraging members to attend next year's conference in Seoul, Korea or the following year in Atlanta, Georgia.



Rotary Park Update

Connie Maxim-Sparrow reported that the bid package for construction of phase 1 of Rotary Park was sent out by the County at the end of May. We are also working with the YMCA to execute the easement for the parking lot adjacent to Rotary Park and hope to have that executed in June. We

anticipate construction starting at the beginning of July based on the bid award and approval of the bid package by the DNR. Just a couple of more steps and we will be digging.





Round Rotary's RIM

Merica Dobry encouraged Rotarians to mark their calendars for the social committee's up-coming happy hour event on Thursday, August 20th at The Block from 5:30 pm- 7:30 pm. Orville and Susan Crain generously donated the party at The Block which includes refreshments for attendees (yes, alcohol) that they won at an auction. Rotarians won't want to miss the first social event of the year featuring great company, free drinks and appetizers (sponsored by the diversity and inclusion committee).



Chris Burnaw informed members that the Seaway Run is seeking more volunteers for this Saturday's race. She urged interested members to contact her or sign-up online at seawayrun.com/

volunteer.

Tom Powers encouraged more Rotarians to participate in the event's walk or run and asked that his water station volunteers arrive at 7:30 am.



Josh Wallace announced that our club reached our Every Rotarian, Every Year goal with a club average of \$77.50 per member and thanked members for their contributions.

President Brianna informed members that the community service committee not only needs members but to be re-vamped. She encouraged members interested in joining to get in touch with her.

John Noling provided a summary on the Life Leadership Conference. Our club sent 9 of our community's best and brightest students to learn leadership skills that they can bring back to their various school districts. Noling went on to share that two Muskegon natives Landon Fortenberry and Stephanie Stewart were recruited and hired as Life Leadership Conference staff.



Susan Crain announced new member gatherings will be held on July 14th, September 22nd, December 15th and March 8th. More information on gathering



locations and times will be provided at a later time.

Annette Jack removed Sarah Rinsema-Sybinga's lingering red star.

Our Guests and Visiting Rotarians were **Annette Jack's** daughter **Jenanne Voss** and **Dave Sipka's** wife **Wendy Sipka**.



Guess The Dancing Rotarian



It's none other then our very own **Colonel Winnick!**

Looks Who's In The News



Kevin Donovan levied a record Rotary fine on **Tim Lipan** for his egregious photo spread.

Last Week's Program STRIVE Mentees Recognized by Jenna Blamer

STRIVE committee co-chairs **Darlene Collet** and **Judy Johnson** hosted Muskegon Rotary's annual STRIVE presentation recognizing the past school year's student mentees.

STRIVE, which stands for "Students Taking a Renewed Interest in Education", is a partnership between the Muskegon Rotary Club and Muskegon High School. STRIVE matches qualified, committed, and educated mentors with promising high school students.



Darlene and Judy shared the mentor responsibilities for all 5 of the Muskegon High School seniors **Brianna Kirks**, **Jasmine Monje**, **Tie'sjwan Hughes**, **Mercedes Herrera** and **Ty'Esha Kirks-Allen**. All of the students were awarded a \$100 incentive for achieving a GPA over 3.0.

The Most Improved Senior Award of \$500 was presented to Jasmine Monje who raised her GPA from 3.4 to 3.6 and The Rotary STRIVE Scholarship Award of \$1000 was presented to Ty'Esha Kirks-Allen who raised her GPA from 4.0 to 4.1.

Judy concluded by sharing what an amazing experience being a mentor has been and thanking the students for helping her to become a better person.

Thank you Judy and Darlene for making our STRIVE program something every Muskegon Rotarian is proud of!



after high school. The focus of this partnership is to first develop a relationship between the mentor and the student, which will then lead to academic improvement.

The program not only uses mentors to encourage the student's academic



improvement but monetary incentives. STRIVE students who achieve a 3.0 GPA receive a \$75 incentive award and an additional \$75 incentive award for each following grading cycle that their 3.0 GPA is maintained. If students improve their GPA above 3.0 they receive a \$100 incentive award.

Did You Know?



Strange But True – The first Rotary service project was the installation of public toilets in Chicago.

This Week on Stage

Past President Brianna Scott will be passing the torch to new President Susan Crain.

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