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Muskegon Rotary in Motion

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Muskegon Rotary Club

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

May 12, 2016 12:00 - 1:15pm

Lake House Waterfront Grille

Satellite Club 5:15 - 6:30pm at 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?



Program: “Law Day Talks Winners” John Noling et al

“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

Kathy Moore

INVOCATION - REFLECTION

Alan Alpert

THIS MEETING'S MENU

Lemon Basil Chicken Buffet; garden salad bar; chef selection vegetable; red skin potatoes; brownies

STUDENT GUESTS

Muskegon Big Reds

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Dan Sawka	May 13
Alena Zachery-Ross	May 13
Arn Boezaart	May 15
Frank Bednarek	May 17

UPCOMING PROGRAMS / EVENTS

05/11 **COMMUNITY MIXER**
 05/19 New Muskegon Family YMCA
 05/26 Habitat for Humanity
 06/02 Be Nice
 06/09 Ice Box Brand Ice Cream
 06/10 **ROTARY'S PARTY IN THE PARK**

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Rotary 
1916-2016
A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP
 THE HISTORY OF THE MUSKEGON ROTARY CLUB



It happens only once every 100 years – Muskegon Rotary's Gala Century of Service Celebration, that is – so Lisa and **Jeff Lohman**, above, faced a tough choice last Saturday night: attend the Gala party... **OR**... go to the barn party of a good friend... **OR**... compromise somehow. Finally, they dressed up all pretty for *our* gig, right, stayed awhile, then donned their more barn-like accoutrements, left, to go see their friend; this, just one of hundreds of fascinating tales from the Gala (sorry if you missed it). Pics, pp 2-3. And >>>

>>> on another historic note:



Tours began Monday, May 2, at the Hackley & Hume Historic Site, above, Fire Barn Museum, and Scolnik House of the Depression Era, and are open Thursday-Monday 10am to 4pm; and Sundays from 1 to 4pm. Our Michigan's Heritage Park in Whitehall also opened May 2, and will be open weekdays in May 10am to 4pm.

www.lakeshoremuseum.org

A Night, A Century to Look Back On

by Bob Scolnik

Muskegon Rotary celebrated its first centennial of service with a well-planned Gala at the Muskegon Country Club on Saturday night. It was long on socializing and partying, and short on speeches, which seemed to suit attendees just fine.

The Club received tributes from our state representatives, state senator, and District Governor Tom Schmidt, below. Past President Gary Ostrom tendered remarks about the Club's history; he and RIM newsletter editor Bill Johanson played major roles writing and producing the current souvenir booklet, "1916-2016: A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP, The History of the Muskegon Rotary Club."



Above, Muskegon Rotary's First Couple, President Susan and Orville Crain welcome guests to the Gala even as they are wrapping thoughts around

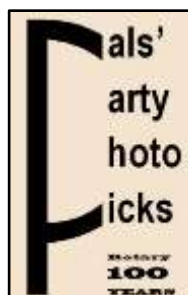
the concept of how quickly their year has gone by already. Some special people coming forward doing special things at special times was, of course, special.



The food was excellent, the band and dance floor elegant, and we heartedly thank fellow Rotarian Troy Wasserman, of Wasserman's Floral and Gifts, for the beautiful table centerpieces.

One of the things adding luster to the evening was the number of people moving about and talking with each other, then branching out and finding new friends to interact with. "Rotary at its finest," someone was heard saying.

Happily, we also entertained plenty of guests from other Rotary clubs including Montague-Whitehall and Zeeland. Plain and simple, it was a great night for the Muskegon Rotary Club and for all who were part of the festivities.





Now A Year to Look Forward To

... as of last week, back to the
Lake House Waterfront Grill
for the summer
and fall.

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'Round Rotary's RIM

David Peden 1935-2016

 "I'm reviewing the situation..."

Some sad news about long-time Muskegon Rotarian Dave Peden, left, with his passing on April 13 in Minnesota. His May 21st memorial will be in Pierre, South Dakota.



Dave contributed to many of the Club's centennial years (member from the 1990s to 2010), and was preceded in death (2008) by his lovely Rotarian spouse Carol Peden. Dave worked as an engineer for FMC Corporation for much of his life, and retired

from Cordova Chemicals in Muskegon, where he served as a certified waste site manager. He was active with theatre and music with the Muskegon Civic Theatre, his church choir and, of course, with Muskegon Rotary.

"He did so many things to make our community a better place," said close friend Judy Johnson, "without fanfare or credit. ... His obit doesn't tell about his service to Rotary or the committees and boards he either chaired or served as a member. He had a wonderful voice. He was a member of the Chamber Choir for years. Dave starred as Fagan in the MCT's musical "Oliver" among his many, many roles. He was my favorite producer, when I directed, second only to my Jim, of course. A man of great character and heart ... the reason I became involved in STRIVE in the first place.... If you were lucky enough to call him your friend, you were indeed lucky." www.ranfranzandvinefh.com



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Last Week's Program

The Power of Rotary Youth Exchange

by Diane Van Epps

John Noling, below, said that out of Rotary's 33,000 clubs in the world, 9,000 are participating in Youth Exchange. Rotarians can bring peace



one person at a time, he thoughtfully reminded us before

introducing Montague-Whitehall Club Past President Ed Kaminski, below, but not until shaking him down to make sure he wasn't shamelessly promoting his own group by selling pancake breakfast tickets or Christmas wreaths.



Ed is a promoter, as we Muskegonians know only too well, and clearly wants to ensure that Muskegon Rotary is back on board with the Youth Exchange Program in the 2016/2017 fiscal year, and he challenged us to match what his club has submitted for that time period. For every youth that we take in here, one of ours can go out as well!

We heard from Inbounder Balint Kuti of Budapest, Hungary. He >>>

Seeking Speakers/Participants

Thursday Nights

Rotary Satellite Club:

Holiday Inn

5:15-6:30 pm

"Great Make-Up Meeting"

Seeking New Members



>>> showed us PowerPoint slides of his country and his home town, including one of their largest buildings: Parliament. Did you know that Buda is the high side that can be witnessed by the mountains and Pest is the low side? And when the Széchenyi Chain Bridge, a suspension bridge that spans the River Danube between Buda and Pest, was built connecting the two, it became Budapest—Balint's home town.

Rodrigo Santos de la Torre, via PowerPoint slides introduced us to his large family in Mexico, and showed where his father is a small business owner of electrical car parts and his mother is a therapist. He lives in the small town of Yucatan (means "lion" in English) with 1.6 million people vs Mexico City with 20 million. He wanted us all to know that not every Mexican rides a donkey or wears a sombrero.

Lou Chazal, a young woman from Southern France presented a photo of her parents and little sister where they live "in the middle of nowhere" in wine country. Her mother is a wine maker. She showed us a picture of her three-story high school and said everything is so different here, from the architecture to the landscapes to how people behave. She loves her American families, both in Grand Rapids and most recently with the Berends family in North Muskegon.

Above, from left, Lou Chazal, Andie Bolles, Rodrigo Santos de la Torre, Balint Kuti, and Ed Kaminski.

Rebound exchange student Christian Berends, below, from North Muskegon High School also can't say enough about his experience in Brazil. All reported that the experience has changed them dramatically, and most would like to continue to travel and learn new cultures and languages!

Outbound student Andie Bolles will be heading to Brazil this summer thanks to the Montague/Whitehall Club. She is going to Parna and is already 33% fluent in Portuguese having learned on a site called Duolingo. She will be there after the 2016 Olympics in Brazil and is excited about visiting the site.



Special \$500 Match

Our District 6290 Rotary Foundation Committee has approved a special match program for a limited time only, April 1, 2016 through May 15, 2016. On a first come, first serve basis, Rotarians in our District who make a new gift to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation in the amount of \$500 will receive a \$500 match in recognition points from District 6290 to name a Paul Harris Fellow. Please see the attachment below for details and instructions.

Any questions? Please contact PDG Chris Etienne at 231-838-2031 or cetienne@bayharbor.com. Thank you for supporting our Rotary Foundation! [District 6290 Foundation Match Form](#)

This Week On Stage

In celebration of Law Day USA, a special day to celebrate our legal system established in 1958 by President Eisenhower, Muskegon Rotarians will be treated to speeches by the two top senior co-first-place winners, Megan Mitchell from Calvary Christian High School and TyJuan Thirdgill from Mona Shores High School. Both students each received \$2000 college scholarships for their efforts.

The High School speech and Middle School essay topic this year dealt with how the Miranda Rights of remaining silent and the right to counsel, plus the 6th Amendment right of being able to confront your accuser should or should not be applied in school settings. Winning art entries on this same topic from the elementary competition will also be on display.

Law Day festivities in Muskegon annually honor outstanding people in our community. For civic oriented teachers, the Golden Apple Award, for outstanding court/probation/parole workers the Frank Scott Award, and for outstanding citizens, the Liberty Bell Award. These three terrific recipients will also be recognized at our May 12th meeting.

Law Day is co-sponsored by both the Montague-Whitehall and Muskegon Rotary Clubs, MLive/Muskegon Chronicle, Muskegon Area Intermediate School District, the Muskegon County Bar Association, and a variety of business and private donors.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRESIDENT

Who forgot Thursday that we're again meeting at the Lake House for the next six months? **President Susan** wondered that same thing as she set off from her new home to walk to the Holiday Inn; then, with the Lake House suddenly in view, she realized that she was "here" already. Too bad a few others forgot the semi-annual switch. How was that possible for regular RIM readers?!

No inductions this week. No red star removals. **Gary Ostrom** gave the inspirational invocation celebrating those early Chicago businessmen who started Rotary on May 1, 1916 or 100 years ago, and all who've served Rotary's world communities since then.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – COMMITTEES, GUESTS

Chanda Nichols-Wilson chatted a bit about Rotary's *Parties in the Park* on June 10, 5-9pm. It's a fun fundraiser each year but one in need of volunteers. Please sign up for a two-hour shift. Entertainment will be The Waxies, an Irish Gypsy Punk band from Grand Rapids.

Jeff Lewis, representing our Diversity and Inclusion Committee, put in a plug for our Community Mixer with the City of Muskegon Heights, May 11, 5-8pm. Volunteers needed here, too. Tickets are free. Food is free. Come to Mona Lake Park and see.

Merica Dobry will have shirts that were ordered at the Community Mixer for pick up.

President Susan still has copies of John Barfield's book for sale for \$30 with \$15 of the proceeds going to End Polio Now matched by the District and by

the Gates Foundation for a total of \$45. Get yours today!

Josh Wallace thanked everyone who got their recent raffle money in, allowing for nine Paul Harris Fellowships to be given. Also, budgets should have already been turned in from committee chairs. Please contact Josh with any questions.

Lisa Sabourin was a walking billboard for the Mercy Seaway Run. Volunteers are needed on June 25, for the event.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

(Had some. Got late. List 'em next week)

From **Holly Hughes** at USS LST 393 Veterans Museum.

Please share so we can help people find jobs!

Muskegon Veterans Job Fair - 5th Annual -55 Businesses!!!
May 20th, Friday 10 am. - 2 pm
USS LST 393 Veterans Museum
Ship - Downtown Muskegon
Everyone Welcome that needs a job, veteran or non-veteran. I can't believe it has been 5 years since **David Eling** and I started this job fair! Thanks **Michael Baauw** for helping us organize again! Wow time flies!

We have 55 employers and growing. We have room for 5 more businesses before the ship is full. Last year there were job offers on the spot from a number of companies. We have been very successful over the past 4 years connecting job seekers with those employers looking to fill positions.

For more information contact Muskegon Veterans Center by calling Mike at (231) 724-7143 or visiting www.muskegonveterans.com