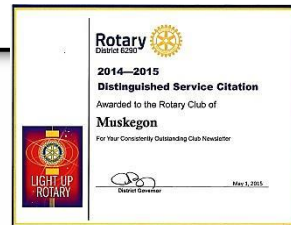


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Muskegon Rotary Club

Club 16 (2809) - District 6290, Chartered May 1, 1916

May 25, 2017 12:00-1:15pm

Lake House Waterfront Grill

Satellite ReWine 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?



(5/25) "Rotary Youth Services" 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

INVOCATOR - REFLECTOR

John Snider

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Chicken Marsala Buffet; garden salad bar; garlic parmesan mashed potatoes; a roasted vegetable; and brownies

STUDENT GUESTS

Muskegon Big Reds

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Jerry Conrad May 26
Marty Sytsema May 27
Jeff Fortenbacher May 29
Teri Gust May 30

FUTURE PROGRAMS / EVENTS

06/01 MMA's Curtis Indian Exhibit
06/08 Dave's Downtown Update
06/15 Love Inc
06/22 Rotary International
08/04 **Parties in the Park**
10/04 **Grape Escape**

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Pleading the 14th

RIM reported last week some results from this year's Law Day Speech Contest, of which Rotary has been a long-time co-sponsor. The 2017 speech topic involved the 14th Amendment to the US Constitution, which protects a person's right to be treated equally under the law.

Two students presented their speeches to us, debating whether the 14th should allow a less qualified student admission to a preferred college over an obviously more qualified, though not Amendment-protected student. MHS ninth-grader Claire McCall spoke to the benefits of Affirmative Action - her speech was attached.

This RIM features the attached speech of senior, and three-year competitor

Rina McClain, above, pointing out that Affirmative Action can itself precede discrimination. Rina's speech follows on the link below:

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000001911/en-ca/files/homepage/rina-mcclain-speech/AAA-SPEECH-123.pdf>



Muskegon Holiday Inn

Thursdays 5:15 - 6:30pm

Prospective Members and Visitors Invited

Old Newsboys in the News



Back when *The Muskegon Chronicle* was delivered daily, near-legendary newspaper men and women were high status folks around town. A few pop in and say hello from time to time. Last week, Dave Alexander ran into part of the ol' crew, from left, Jim Frisinger (in from Texas), John Stephenson (back from Florida) and Clayton Hardiman. Nice seeing them together.



From RIM's Eclectic Newsroom

Now We're Talkin'

It used to be that eyes closed, even if combined with a little snoring, was the most obvious example of Rotary meeting rudeness. Fast forward to now. Cell phone usage is today's top irritant, as increasing numbers of complaints from members advocate more respect for guest speakers and the knowledge they bring to share with us.

Obviously for some, there's still limited understanding of what is and what isn't acceptable cell phone etiquette, so we offer a couple of suggestions to hopefully ensure better peace in the family.

Consider those who are with you. Be it in a meeting or a conversation, give others your complete and undivided attention.

Avoid texting or taking calls until later. If a call is important, apologize to tablemates and continue your cell conversation in the hall.



Be a good dining companion. No one wants to be a captive audience to a third-party cell phone conversation, or to sit in silence while their dining companion texts with someone. Silence and store your phone before being seated, and never put your cell phone on the table.

Let voicemail do its job. When you're in the company of others, let voicemail handle non-urgent calls.

Good cell phone etiquette is similar to common courtesy. For Rotarians, that's the truth, it's fair, and it promotes Club goodwill, so everyone benefits.

– Bill Johanson inspired by REUTERS

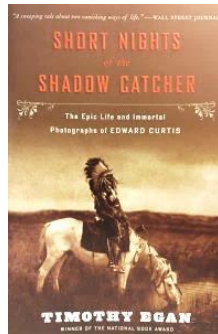


THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

The Rotary Youth Services program will feature an end-of-school-year *Celebration of Service* from each of our sponsored Youth clubs. Both Rotaract clubs – Baker College and Muskegon Community College – plus Mona Shores, Orchard View, and North Muskegon Interact clubs will review and celebrate with our Club their significant accomplishments of the year.

IMPRESSIVE MMA EXHIBIT

The Muskegon Museum of Art is now offering *Edward S. Curtis: The North American Indian*, an exhibition of



national significance that explores the depth, breadth, and lasting cultural legacy of Edward Curtis' monumental photo work. The exhibition, both survey and critique, tells the story of one of the most prominent photographers of his time, who sacrificed everything for his work on *The North American Indian*, only to die in obscurity. The exhibit's curator will appear before Rotary on June 1.

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Honoring Best and Brightest



For the second year in a row, the Best and Brightest competition recognized Muskegon-based marketing agency Revel as one of West Michigan's 101



Best and Brightest Companies to work for. We congratulate Revel partner **Jason Piasecki**, left, and the Web Team he heads. Revel combines cutting-edge communication with creativity and fact-based marketing to bring

clients a new agency experience. Now you can get complete branding and print to web and video communications seamlessly from one source. That is something to revel in.

To help ensure that your news / brief announcement gets published, submit it to a RIM staffer (list left) in writing by Thursday noon for the following week.



Muskegon Rotary

Friday, August 4, 2017

5:00pm 9:00pm

Hackley Park Downtown

On Stage: Kari Lynch Band

Rotary Volunteers Needed Also Family and Friends

Two-Hour Nothing-but-Fun Shifts

In the Act™ Early

With great excitement, Muskegon Rotary is sponsoring the new North Muskegon Elementary Rotary EarlyAct™ Club. The charter was signed May 18, 2017 by **President Josh Wallace**, District Governor Gernot Runschke and **Randy Lindquist**.

EarlyAct™ is a school-wide service club for elementary students from ages 5 to 13. It is sponsored by a local Rotary Club. An EarlyAct™ Club is self-supporting and carries out three service projects annually—one each for their school and local communities, and one which furthers international understanding.

The mission and operation of EarlyAct™ are closely linked to the ideals of Rotary and provide the foundation and natural succession into Interact.

EarlyAct™ provides young students the opportunity for gaining an increased awareness and knowledge of their community and the world. At a young age, all students can easily be encouraged to be caring and helpful. Their minds are open to recognize the dignity and worth of each individual which builds respect for others.



Front Row, from left, Anna Blastic, Maya Corbin, Taylor Mann, Lauren Dahlquist, Marilyn Gaston, Allie Friesner, and Jenn Schultz. Back Row, District Governor Gernot Runschke, Randy Lindquist and President Josh.

EarlyAct™ also engages students in character-building activities and prepares them for leadership roles to identify and carry out projects which benefit their school, local and global communities.

ONLY TWO IN THE DISTRICT

North Muskegon Public Schools as of today, becomes only the second School District, along with Lowell Public Schools, in our 6290 Rotary District, to have not only an EarlyAct™ Club, but a functioning middle school Interact Club and class, plus a separate, highly regarded high school Interact Club. Service above Self in student development has a seamless

>> Interact Advisor and Teacher, introduced EarlyAct™ Advisor, 5th Grade Teacher, Jenn Schultz, below. The amazing young leaders of EarlyAct™ introduced themselves and shared a bit about



what their Leadership Lunch Club, as they have called themselves, has accomplished this year for acts of service both locally and internationally. The students were poised and will continue to be leaders in North Muskegon and across the Muskegon community.

transition in North Muskegon Public Schools from Grade 5 onward.

John Slocum, above, Rotarian and North Muskegon High School >>



Last Week's Program

Howmet Playhouse

**Speakers: Beth Beaman, manager
Frank Bednarek, Board member
By RIM Reporter Lisa Hegenbart**

The Historic Howmet Playhouse was built by the community, for the community in 1916 with \$12,000. In 1973, the community raised funds to renovate the aging playhouse and those donations were matched by Howmet. At that time, Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp assumed ownership of the playhouse. In August of 2006, Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp built a new theater at their campground and City of Whitehall decided to take over ownership as they saw the important role that the theater played in their community. The Playhouse is the center for the area's arts events hosting as it hosts a variety of Michigan musical groups during its fall and spring seasons, and produces a Summer Fine Arts Festival with a variety of plays during the summer. There have been over 550 Playhouse events since 2007.



In November, the Howmet Playhouse embarked upon a \$3.6 million dollar capital campaign to restore and renovate the theater. **Frank Bednarek**, campaign co-chair shared that they engage Ed Francis an architect from Detroit who also renovated the Frauenthal to assist in this project. The plans include a 5,000-square-foot

addition that will expand the lobby. Accessible restrooms and dressing rooms, new seats and carpet, new heating and cooling system, and upgraded theatrical equipment, such as lights and rigging, are included in the plans. Upgrades are also slated for the heating, ventilation and cooling system, electrical and

plumbing. To date, \$2.7 million has been raised. A recent \$200,000 matching grant from an anonymous donor will make all contributions from today on, a 1:1 match.

Managing Director Beth Beaman, below with Board member Frank Bednarek, discussed special shows this summer including:

- "The Seamstress" which shines a light on domestic violence issues and a portion of the proceeds from the show will be given to Every Woman's Place.
- "The Birds" a Daphne du Maurier's short story, also the basis for Alfred Hitchcock's classic film, is boldly adapted by Conor McPherson—a gripping, unsettling, and moving look at human relationships in the face of societal collapse.



The White Lake Youth Theater will present "The Rememberer" tells the true story of Joyce Cheeka, a young Squaxin Indian girl, forcibly taken from her home and placed in a government-run school in 1911. This correlates with the North American Indian exhibit at the Muskegon Museum of Art.

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Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Muskegon ReWine Rotarian **Papa N'Jai**; Grand Rapids Rotarian Anne Armstrong; Muskegon Rotarian (on leave) **Bill Erickson**; transferring Fremont Rotarian **Dan Wheat**; Montague-Whitehall Rotarians Ed Kaminski and Beth Beaman; Grand Haven Rotarian DG Gernot Runschke; Larue Layton; North Muskegon Interactors/Guests – Jenn Schultz, DG Gernot Runschke, Grace Goskewicz, Kim Blastic, Heather Marrin, Stephanie Dahlquist, Bri Adamczak, Lexi Wolfis, Anna Blastic, Maya Corbin, Taylor Mann, Marilyn Gaston, Lauren Dahlquist, Allie Friesner (**Interact Committee**); Bethany Houghton (**Diane Van Epps**);

Open for Summer

MICHIGAN'S HERITAGE PARK

Greeting visitors at a recent Michigan's Heritage Park Open



House are Director Annoesjka Soler, right, and Board members Susan Holkeboer and fur trader Paul Prinzing. May hours are 10am-4pm.

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