

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

(10/19) "Information on the County Youth, Family and Community Millage"

"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**

Steve Dix

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INVOCATOR - REFLECTOR Jeremy Williams THIS WEEK'S MENU

Classic Pot Roast - with brown gravy; Caesar salad bar; garlic parmesan mashed potatoes; steamed butter carrots; cookies / brownies

### STUDENT GUESTS

#### Whoever shows up NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Jay Wallace, Sr	Oct 21
Dan Hartmann	Oct 22
Linda Juarez	Oct 23

#### FUTURE PROGRAMS / EVENTS

10/26 Food for Health
11/02 *MOVE BACK-HOLIDAY INN*11/02 1 in 21 Update
11/09 Health Care Reform
11/16 Cuba First Hand Aid

# **Muskegon Rotary Board**

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This long awaited Rotary monument has been placed in Rotary Park. Pavers and the Peace Pole will be added soon, followed by a brief dedication ceremony.

#### <u>Combined Bands – Quite Amazing</u> MSU - U of M HALFTIME SHOW



https://www.facebook.com/SpartyP/videos/1947731338809171/

# **ON STAGE THIS WEEK**

A proposed 1.5-mill tax increase has been placed on the Nov 7<sup>th</sup> ballot. If passed by voters, the 10-year tax would help raise an estimated \$6.2 million in the first calendar year and an estimated \$62 million over the millage's lifetime to help fund the enhancement of existing youth programs and for the development of other prevention and familybased programs for the county. Mark Eisenbarth, Sandra Vanderhyde and Judge Greg Pitman: scheduled presenters.



Courtesy: Kirk Hallman Above, Rotarian film stars Marty and Heidi Sytsema appear in the Buster Keaton film currently being shot in Muskegon (Frauenthal, this scene) and Los Angeles.

# MORE GRAPE SHOTS

Rotary Grape Escape 10-4-17











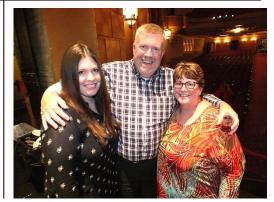


































### BakerProud<sup>®</sup> Tess Gerczak September Rotaractor of the Month



Tess is a second year member of the Rotaract Club of Baker College of Muskegon. When she isn't coloring bags, doing a club activity (like cleaning our adopted highway) or volunteering at

her favorite place, Kids' Food Basket, Tess enjoys learning about dolphins. When she graduates from Baker College, Tess wishes to pursue a career as a school counselor. Our club wouldn't be a success without great members like her. Thanks for all of your hard work, Tess!

## **Mark Your Calendars**

On January 25, District Governor Ed Swart will speak at our ReWine Club meeting. Others are encouraged to attend including local Rotaractors and Interactors. Holiday Inn 5:15 – 6:30 pm.

### **GERDES A MEMBER**

Braxton Gerdes, left, a very involved



MCC Rotaractor and ReWine Club member for the last couple of years, "just paid his initiation fee" and has joined Muskegon Rotary. Above, he's with reenactor Rev Stephon Ferguson, aka Dr Martin Luther King Jr, a recent visitor to Rotary downtown and program presenter at MCC, the college.



### Muskegon Holiday Inn Thursdays 5:15 – 6:30pm

#### Buy tickets TICKET TYPEPRICE (\$)QUANTITY October 27 8:00-10:30pm \$15.00pp

October 28 8:00-10:30pm \$15.00



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#### Sub Total\$0.00



Join us for a night of Haunted History. We've dug up some ghosts and ghouls, and they're eager to meet you. Watch your back as we take you on a walk through time's most terrifying and bloody moments complete with creepy ghost stories and surprise scares!

Good luck navigating your way through the dark. Stay close, lest you be separated and stuck back in time with history's worst monsters...forever.

This event, on October 27 and 28, is recommended for guests 13 and up. Groups will leave from the Visitor's Center every 15 minutes. The doors open at 7:30pm and the first tour will leave at 8:00pm. The last group will leave at 10:30pm.

This is a rain or shine event. All ticket sales are final.

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### **VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS**

#### <u>10/5/17</u>

Megan Jones (Dave Alexander); Cammie Hussey, Aitan Rustamova (Jim Rausch); Eric Messing (Chris McGuigan); Stephanie Stewart (Christine Robere); Kurt Alderink (Jim Fisher); Steve Rauschert (Ammy Seymour); Vennie Avorque (Myrna Olsen); Poppy Hernandez, Kurt Thornton, Rev Stephon Ferguson, Marvin Nash, David Tafiarz (George Maniates); and Dave Sitka (Ken Rasp). Students: Muskegon Big Reds.

#### Guest

Pesky Little Blue / Cards (PLBC)

Ed. Note: In a recent confidential survey for semi-distinguished RIM readers unhappy that their guest's name had been misspelled in this column, it's usually pointed out that their hand-written guest's name on the submitted PLBC was unreadable (as it is 37.8% of the time), a faux pas we're forced to share in print, regretting any inconvenience and likely will say so right here via an unreasonably lengthy sentence.

#### <u>10/12/17</u>

Gail Marshall (Mary Beth Ramos); Dave Bush (Bill Loxterman); Susan Guerrero (Myrna Olsen); Bill & Jan Ryder (David Manley); Michael Hendon (Jay Wallace); Mary Hendon (Jay Wallace, Sr); Visiting Rotarian Gordon Buit (Marty Asplund); and Cesar Castro (Cathy Brubaker-Clarke). Students: Mona Shores Sailors.

# Last Week's Program Mexican-Americans in Muskegon by RIM Reporter Lisa Hegenbart

Connie Navarro, below, moved to the area from Texas in the early 1940s as a child.



Her family came to Muskegon as migrant workers, working across West Michigan. With the onset of World War II and many local manufacturing plants preparing for the war, local Latino families were able to transition into manufacturing positions.

Many Latino families were residents of Ryerson Heights, the federal housing projects, including Connie's family. Even though, as Connie shared, her father could not read or write, he was adamant that his 12 children go to and finish school. This work ethic and education lead Connie to a remarkable career in the social services field

In 2007, after seeing a local film produced about Muskegon with limited diversity in it, Connie made it her passion to create a project that documented the memories of the Mexican-American families who lived in the Ryerson Housing Projects, 1943-1954. As she interviewed people and memories were collected, the project grew and she



Above, Darlene Collet introduces Connie as a new Paul Harris Fellow for her many years of service to our community.



#### New Member: Mike Muskovin

He grew up in Muskegon and currently lives in Norton Shores. He works for Motorola Solutions and is on the Board of Directors for Goodwill Industries.



Above, Mike Muskovin, sponsor J Griffith and President Cathy

invoked the assistance of Dan Yakes, a retired Muskegon Community College history professor. After seeing the research, Yakes felt they could expand beyond the families of Ryerson Heights and he did more than a year's worth of research of Mexican-Americans throughout the Muskegon community. There is a rich history locally for the Mexican-American community.

After three years of research and dedication to the stories of Latino families, the book "A New Home in Michigan: The Mexican-American Experience in Muskegon" came to fruition allowing the history of local Latino families to carry on for generations. **Muskegon Country Sheriff Michael Poulin** performed a slight dip to minimize the "slight" height difference between him and Norton Shores Mayor Gary Nelund during the sheriff's Red Star Removal ceremony. But he notified the mayor that there is a difference between his red star and official badge, and then told Rotarians of his enjoyment in earning his red star removal.

# **Committee Reports**

Annette Jack of the Caring Connections Committee needs everyone's help to communicate to the committee celebrations, weddings, job changes/promotions, health related concerns, and surgeries for examples. They also would like to add 1-2 members to the committee to assist.

**Christine Robere** shared that the Community Services Committee is also in need of additional members. They are



hosting a Community Drive to collect new or gently used winter items such as coats, hats, and mittens. There will be a box out beginning next week to collect items.

And FINEally, "Finemeister **Kevin Donovan** did well Thursday. We took in \$38 in fines, \$40 in birthday money. All for the good of Rotary!" we heard from the ever ACCOUNTable **Secretary Nancy Crandall**.