

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? Next Meeting (6/24/21) — SAGA: Muskegon Public Art Initiative

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

Joanie Smith

REFLECTORS

Jim Schiltz Jane Mountain

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

June 17

June 24

Susan Besteman July 1 Stephanie Cathey July 2 Don't forget Caring Connection Fund!

PROGRAMS / EVENTS

6/24 Muskegon Public Art Initiative 7/1 Club Assembly/Passing of the Gavel

Next ReWine meets 6/17 in person Wonderland Distillery 5:15 pm

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment." — Ralph Waldo Emerson

GUESTS

Welcome Meggie Kwiatkowski, Board approved and awaiting induction, and Kristi Pawlak, transfer Rotarian.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

Please pray for **Jackie and Jim Farrier**. Jackie's sister, Lisa Stone, passed away suddenly.

The Seaway Run registration

deadline is has been extended to June 18 with 950 runners on the books so far! Register <u>here</u>.

There are many volunteer opportunities and help is still needed for the following:



20 - for Friday night pack & pickup 20 - for Saturday Course Marshalls 30 - for Saturday aid stations Please <u>volunteer</u>! The Seaway Run is Saturday, June 26.



In-Person Meeting June 24 **ZOOM NOT AVAILABLE**

Due to technical difficulties, next week's meeting will be in-person ONLY at the Delta Hotel Conference Center from noon-1:30 pm. End of day today (June 17) is the deadline to sign up to attend. Register to attend <u>here</u>.

WEEKLY COVID REPORT

Muskegon County is now in line with the rest of the state and region, below 3% positivity rate. Averaging 3 cases per day in Muskegon County. Hospitalizations are below 10 which is manageable for our Mercy Health System. Number of deaths are declining, but one reported death this past week. Currently 60.6% of Michigan residents have received at least one dose of the COVID 19 vaccine. Muskegon County 55.6% have received at least one dose of the COVID 19 vaccine. There have been 149 persons in Muskegon County of Vaccine Breakthrough Cases. These rates continue to go up, including the age group of 12-19.

Public Heath: <u>www.Muskegonhealth.net</u>

If you missed this week's Zoom meeting, a recording is available to view here.

Christine Robere from United Way of

the Lakeshore: There is a vaccine clinic this evening at the Egleston VFW from 6-8P. This week Christine notes that things are getting back to normal and less calls being received at UW for housing assistance. Still working on housing solutions. Boys and Girls Club is now open, in their new location, and Parks Programs are starting up; therefore, there are

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM: SAGA: Sexuality and Gender Advocates

Kris Collee introduced Felipe Trevino from HealthWest.



Felipe is a therapist with HealthWest and works with the LGBTQ+ and SOGIE youth.

HealthWest services over 7,000 individuals and adults, with developmental disorders, substance use and mental illness. HealthWest meets people in the community that they reside in and also offers robust prevention and education services, including mental health training, crisis response and debriefing. HealthWest also offers a 24/7 crisis response team to Muskegon County residents.

HealthWest is tackling diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives both internally (SAGA subcommittee) and cultural intelligence assessments for local businesses and non-profits. TIDE (team for inclusion, diversity and equity) is the HealthWest team that develops DEI opportunities and to increase competencies and awareness. They also assist in evaluation and development of policies and practices,

as well as diversity walks. They can also assist local non-profits and businesses in raising their cultural competency.



SOGIE (Sexual Orientation, Gender Identify and Expression) and LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning, Plus more) are acronyms that are often used interchangeably, although SOGIE tends to be broader and more inclusive.

SOGIE

• Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression

LGBTQ+

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HealthWest's vision is to actively promote a culture of awareness that seeks equity and inclusion both within HealthWest and the greater community. SAGA (Sexuality and Gender Advocates) desires to meet and address unmet needs and gaps in resources in Muskegon County. SAGA helps to address mental and medical health services, increase resources and education within our Muskegon County Community. SAGA stands for sexuality and gender advocates. They are HealthWest staff members that help to build community collaboration and social groups for SOGIE youth and adults.

The SAGA subcommittee is conducting an equity assessment, ongoing education and discussions, sends out monthly newsletter, team consultation and Pride Month activities.



Community Collaborative: addresses trending needs, sharing of resources, education opportunities, and meets the first Thursday of each odd month at 4PM.

Muskegon PRIDE event: Virtual Conference and

Resource Fair- This is a free virtual resource on Saturday, June 19 from 10:00AM to 3:30PM.



More information on this event can be found <u>here</u>.

Social Groups: adult group is the only one that is running right now, meeting on the first and third Thursday from 6-7PM, building capacity for a youth group ages 13-17 and are seeking youth peer facilitators.

PFLAG in-person meeting will take place at Ross Park this Friday, June 18 at 7 pm. This meeting is for friends, allies, and parents of the SOGIE community looking to build connections!

Interested in learning more about opportunities with SAGA and the Community Collaborative Forum?

Felipe Trevino, LPC

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Welcome back, Roger!

By Bill Johanson

Unless you've been paying way more attention to other interesting events in the world (and space), you're certainly aware that Roger Morgenstern, chief West Michigan spokesman for Consumers Energy, is about to enter the retiree world of leisure and neverending excitement, and therefore is returning to Muskegon Rotary and our RIM Team sometime this summer. Meanwhile, he's decided to pleasure himself with The Beast; "my '76 Eldorado convertible," boasts the wellknown Grasshopper.

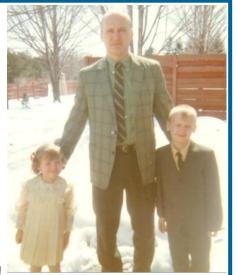
Pictured below is a pic with the '76 plate, "actually my folks,' which I found when cleaning out their house a few years ago. So, the car is 45 years old and the clock doesn't work, but I've set it so "it's always 5 o'clock somewhere!"

To reserve your space on the massive waiting list of those hungry for a 5pm convertible ride at little or no cost, Roger's always willing to make a new Rotary friend, especially one who shares his passion for vintage cars and fine wine after 5 o'clock...somewhere..



There is SO MUCH TO DO with Dad in Muskegon this weekend, but not enough room in RIM to show you all. Check out VisitMuskegon.org's FaceBook page or website for a list and all the links.

Happy Father's Day!



The Editor (left) with her super-cool Dad and annoying big brother 1969

Want some exercise or to experience the best view of Muskegon Lake? A bike ride along the Lakeshore Trail is a must!

Find self-check-out bike rentals in front of Visit Muskegon (The Union Depot Visitor Center) and Muskegon Farmers Market. Or rent a Michigan made bicycle from Lake Effect Sport!



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