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Muskegon Rotary Club

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

Next Meeting May 20 12:00-1:00pm

From Your Laptop, Phone, or Tablet

ReWine Sat Club – Next mtg 5/20 5:15 pm

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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?

Next Meeting (5/20/21) — Latinos Working Toward the Future

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

REFLECTORS

Jim Schiltz	5/13
Jane Clingman-Scott	5/20
Bill Loxterman	5/27

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Peter Wills	May 21
Pam Babbitt	May 22
Lin Turnage	May 23

Caring Connection Fund

The Caring Connection Fund is still up and running and still needs our support. The donations are usually collected (\$10 or more) for your birthday; which would go into the fund to send out letters, cards, flowers, etc. You may send checks to the PO Box or donate by credit card [here](#) if you have had a birthday and need to contribute to the Caring Connection Fund.

PROGRAMS / EVENTS

5/20 Latinos Working Toward the Future
 5/20 **ReWine in person! 5:15 PM**
 Location: Outside at Wonderland Distilling Co.
 1989 Lakeshore Dr Suite B, Muskegon, MI 49441
 (weather and Covid restrictions permitting)
 If Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting [Link](#)
 5/27 Law Day Presentation

Guests

Nancy Crandall introduced Cody Chipman--potential Rotarian and former Interactor.

Tim Arter introduced Kent Riddle from Mary Free Bed.

Welcome Kristi Pawlak, transferring her membership to Muskegon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grants Committee

announced the grant deadline has been extended due to changes in the website and processing applications.

Life Leadership

John Noling announced the Life Leadership Conference begins Monday. Out of 111 attending, Muskegon has the largest group of any club in the district with 12 attending. The conference is virtual this year, but the kids are ready to dive in to a great program.

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now."
—Chinese Proverb

Don't miss out on the Mona Shores Interact Tree-Mendous Tree Sale!

They are offering Eastern White Pine, Norway Spruce, Blue Spruce, and White Spruce saplings for only \$5 each (cash only please).

A link to order your trees is [here](#). A booth will be set up at Mona Shores High School on May 16 for pickup of trees OR John Noling will deliver your trees to you.

Funds generated from this sale go toward helping complete service projects domestically and internationally. This year alone they participated in multiple food trucks, beach cleanups, adopting a family during the Holidays, organizing and distributing chili kids to a local food pantry, assembling and passing out gift bags to first responders, and raising over \$5,000 to aid Honduras in hurricane relief.

Membership Dues

Dues were due April 30th. If you have any questions, please contact **Kathy Betts** at muskegonrotary@gmail.com.

3-Minute Pitch

Here's your chance to give a 3-minute pitch during next week's Rotary Zoom Meeting. Reach out to **Kris Collee** if you would like to be considered for a 3-minute presentation during our May 20 meeting. Tell us what is going on in our community!

Hybrid Meetings Coming Soon

Muskegon Rotary is working with the Delta to have hybrid meetings that will include in-person and Zoom attendance. They are hoping to install ethernet in the ballroom in June. Watch for upcoming announcements.

2-Minute Talk Show

Click [here](#) to catch **Mike Vogas's** production "Two Minute Talk Show" with **Rane Garcia** and **Gary Nelund**. It's a great testimonial you can share with anyone who wants to know more about Muskegon Rotary Club.

Food Trucks

The next Muskegon food truck will take place on Wednesday, May 26 at Temple Methodist Church in Muskegon Heights and we need about 15 volunteers. The Whitehall food truck on Saturday, June 5 will need about 12 volunteers.

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Book Discussions on Racial Equality--Starting Another Round

MaryAnne Gorman announced a second book group is being assembled to discuss "Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents" by Isabelle Wilkerson starting Tuesday, May 18, from noon-1:30 pm via Zoom. This is the last book study event before taking a hiatus until next fall.

Call or email **MaryAnne** if you'd like to join 231-750-2396 or ma.gorman@hotmail.com.

Greeters Needed

There are 5 slots left for next year's program starting in June to greet when our in-person meetings resume. Contact **Jane Clingman-Scott** janecs1951@gmail.com to volunteer.

WEEKLY COVID REPORT

Kathy Moore provided COVID updates and community response. Cases are trending downwards over the past 20 days. Positivity rate is at 18% as of 5/9/2021, however, the number of positive individuals is declining. 57.1 is our daily average of positive cases. Hospitalization rate is down. 331 deaths since March 2020 to May 2021. Death rate is down from super-surge in November, December and January. Michigan has hit milestone of 55% of Michigan residents have received at least one dose of the vaccine. This allows for in person work for all sectors of business. FDA has authorized Pfizer's COVID 19 vaccine for use in children ages 12 to 15. Reminder: two weeks past second dose of vaccine before in person work can commence. Focus on strategies to make vaccine clinics available to younger persons in our county.

Christine Robere and United Way Update: no calls for housing this week. We still have many that are perilously housed. Clinics are willing to travel to help get Muskegon County residents vaccinated. They have travelled to churches, clubs, employers, etc...Push is

to get as many people vaccinated as possible. There are over 100 volunteer opportunities available in our community. Salvation Army's drive through baby products for young family's event is happening this weekend.

NOTE: Please look for Kathy's graphs on pages 4-6 of this RIM.

Thank you to all our Community Outreach Partners!
Public Health: www.Muskegonhealth.net

Mask Up Muskegon:
<https://www.maskupmuskegon.org/vaccineinfo>

Embark Rides

Embark Rides are occurring on Wednesday afternoons at two different elementary schools locally and will continue through the summer with 1.5-hour rides. If you are interested in chaperoning please contact **Rob Taylor**. taylorrj@ameritech.org or 810-355-8361

Paul Harris Fellow Award

Congratulations to **Kris Collee** who graciously *gives, gives, gives* to our community.

Kathy Moore provides a fantastic summary of Kris's contributions. Make sure you watch it all [here](#).



New Member Induction

Rem Sprague introduced our newest member of the Muskegon Rotary Family.



Dr. Kristen Woods is the President of Physician Health Partners of West Michigan. Dr. Woods

was officially inducted into the Muskegon Rotary.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM:

Mary Free Bed

Speaker: Kent Riddle, CEO, Mary Free Bed

Host: Nancy Crandall

RIM Reporter: Meredith Smillie



Kent Riddle noted that it was an accident that he came to know Mary Free Bed. The family was in a significant automobile collision on the highway. Kent's wife was airlifted to and spent a few weeks at Butterworth Hospital and eventually transitioned to Mary Free Bed Hospital for 9 weeks. When his wife left Mary Free Bed, Kent called a friend and stated he wanted to give back to Mary Free Bed and ended up on the Board and eventually Chaired the Board. He was then asked to become the CEO and has served as CEO for the past ten years. Mary Free Bed is the oldest hospital in West Michigan with its early mission to assist individuals with medical care when they were unable to afford it. It eventually became a children's hospital and after the cure of polio became a rehab hospital for children and adults.

Kent shared about the Full Peds Ahead program that helps to serve children. Children have three big needs in the medical field that are not reimbursed by insurances. Mary Free Bed has stepped in to ensure these needs are being met. They are conducting an autism rehabilitation program to help move kids up on the autism spectrum. Mary Free Bed is also doing a chronic pain clinic; it is psychologically and

behaviorally based for children to move them from requiring medication management for pain. The third area is the early movement disorder program which is caused by stroke right at birth or shortly after birth. With children we generally observe and wait which is not the best course of action for infants suffering from a stroke. Infants are video-taped while in the NICU and the team creates a clinical intervention for the children to get them back on track. They are the only program in the country to be providing this service to infants; therefore, seeing infants from all over the country. You can learn more [here](#).

Kent also shared about Mary Free Bed's adaptive sports program. Several years ago the Mary Free Bed Board approved to merge Mary Free Bed with the YMCA and have a facility that promotes adaptive sports programs. The YMCA is attached to a hospital that promotes lifelong care and activities for individuals in wheelchairs. This is one of the largest sports facilities in the world. People come to the program through physician referrals, but you can literally refer yourself via the website or calling Mary Free Bed. All individuals are welcome regardless of insurance coverage. Find out more [here](#).

Kent also shared a bit about how Mary Free Bed utilizes billboards, social media and word of mouth to promote their services. Special needs individuals form a close knit community and Mary Free Bed helps these individuals remain connected to one another and their treatment team. 80% of children Mary Free Bed serves are on Medicaid and there is not enough coverage for these individuals; therefore, Mary Free Bed has to subsidize these services and programs. Kent noted that they subsidize \$11-14 million dollars-worth of care each year,

with about \$4-6 million needed for services related to children.

The future of Mary Free Bed will continue to expand access for all individuals that have a need that cannot be met elsewhere. Mary Free Bed now has a 24 bed in-patient floor, and provide out-patient services at Mercy Health in Muskegon. They are expanding through existing medical providers and include locations in Illinois and Indiana. Kent sees Mary Free Bed doing more of the same in their future; ensuring and providing accessible services for all. They are doing a lot of teaching of medical students in a variety of medical fields.



Watch the full interview, including a video of Mary Free Bed patient Olivia's journey [here](#).



<https://www.maryfreebed.com/>

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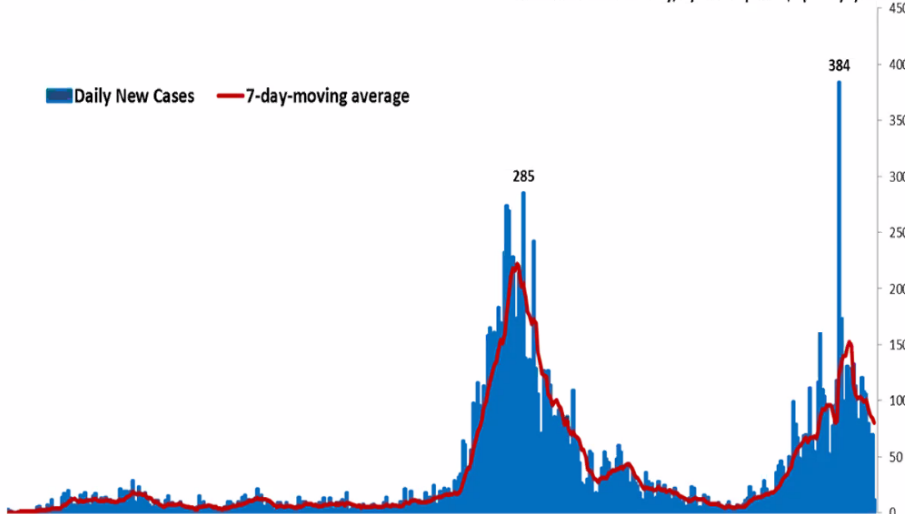
Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.
Muskegon County

Number of people testing positive Covid-19 in Muskegon County

Total Positive Cases: 14,698

Total active cases: **3,268**

Number of cases each day, by date reported, up to 5/9/2021



Average # of Daily Cases = 57.1 as of 5/9/21

Comparison Chart - Updated 5/13/21			
MI Safe Start Map: Positivity Rate (5/9/21)			
Excluding probable cases			
Geographic Area	# of Daily Cases (7-day average)	Daily Cases Per Million Residents (7-day average)	Daily Cases Per 100,000 Residents (7-day average)
Michigan	1,499.5	150.5	15.1
Local (GR) Region	326.0	215.7	21.6
Muskegon	57.1	330.2	33.0
Kent	126.0	195.9	19.6
Newaygo	11.2	234.4	23.4
Oceana	4.0	151.4	15.1
Ottawa	56.1	197.6	19.8

The number of daily cases per million is the number of new cases with onset on that day divided by the number of people in that geographical area and then multiplied by one million. It is adjusted to a "per million people" scale by MDHHS so that counties and regions can be easily compared.

% Positive PCR Test Results = 18.0% as of 5/9/21

NOTE: The positivity rate (*alone*) is NOT an accurate indicator of spread in a community because the denominator is not representative of the entire community. In Muskegon County, PCR tests are predominantly taken by people who: 1) feel sick; 2) have a reason to be worried about being infected; 3) are already sick in the hospital; or 4) are testing prior to a pre-scheduled hospital surgery or procedure. More positives are likely to be identified from these groups than random testing of people in the general community. In addition, this rate does not incorporate the vast number of rapid antigen tests that are administered daily and/or weekly throughout the community. So while the numerator (positive results) is fairly accurate, the denominator is skewed.

- **Kathy Moore**, Health Officer – Muskegon County jurisdiction

Comparison Chart - Updated 5/13/21			
MI Safe Start Map: Positivity Rate (5/9/21)			
Excluding probable cases			
Geographic Area	% Positive PCR Test Results (7-day average)	Daily Tests Administered (7-day average)	Daily Tests Per Million (7-day average)
Michigan	9.8%	29,055.0	2,917.0
Local (GR) Region	12.8%	4,789.0	3,170.0
Muskegon	18.0%	572.7	3,309.0
Kent	10.6%	2,298.0	3,573.0
Newaygo	15.0%	125.8	2,614.0
Oceana	16.4%	78.1	2,958.0
Ottawa	13.7%	865.2	3,046.0

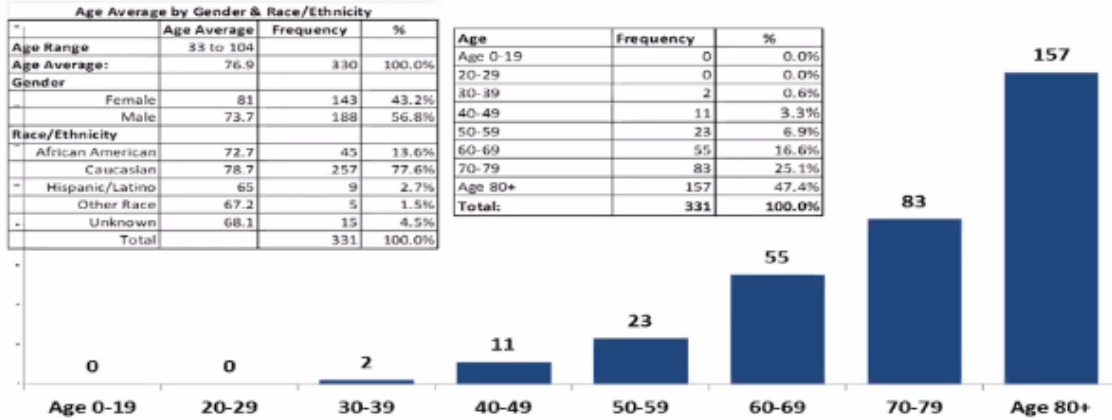
PCR Test Results (% Positive - 7 Day Average)

Lowest 1.6 % on 9/19/20
268.3 tests
7.4 cases per 100K

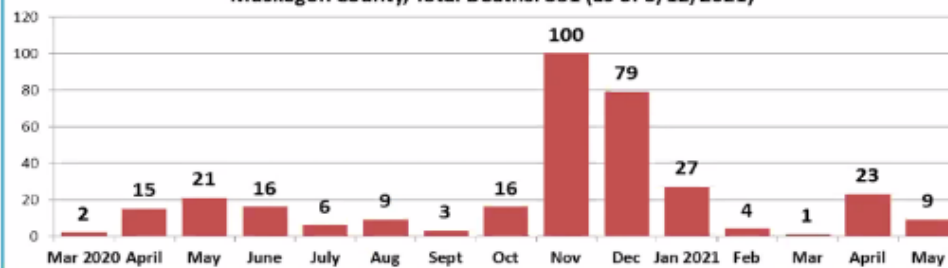
Highest 24.9% on 11/18/20
804.3 tests
106.0 cases per 100K

Current 18.0% on 5/9/21
572.7 tests
33.0 cases per 100K

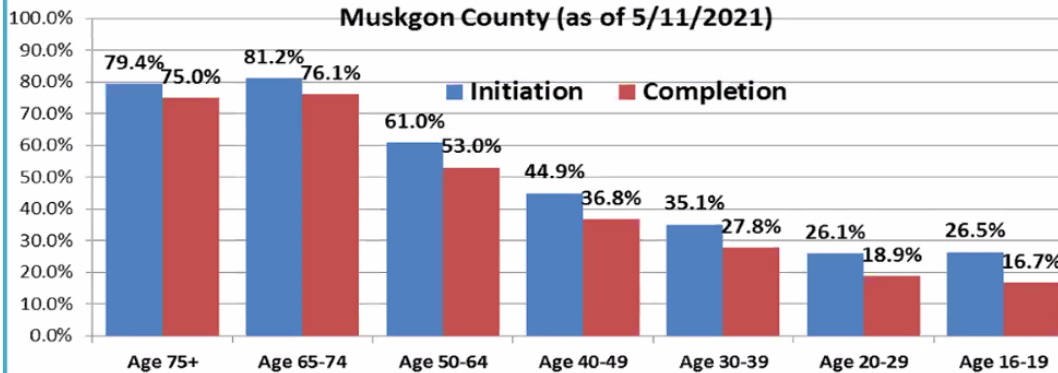
Covid-19 Deaths by Age Group, Muskegon County Total Deaths: 331 (as of 5/12/2021)



Covid-19 related Deaths by Month Muskegon County, Total Deaths: 331 (as of 5/12/2021)

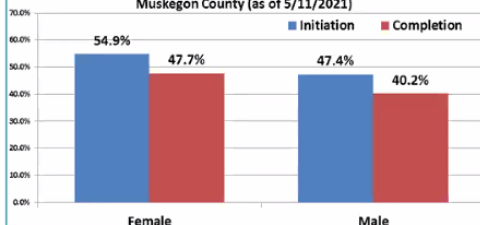


Covid-19 Vaccine Coverage by Age Group Muskegon County (as of 5/11/2021)



Source: Michigan Covid-19 Vaccine Dashboard

Covid-19 Vaccine Coverage by Gender Muskegon County (as of 5/11/2021)



Students Vaccinated

13 age 16+
9 or 50.9% received 1st dose
or 42.3% fully vaccinated

Vaccine Mfg Requested

75,023 Pfizer
49,921 Moderna
4,536 J & J (Janssen)

Percentage of Hospital Beds Occupied by COVID-19 Patients as of May 7, 2021

Michigan Statewide

11.4%

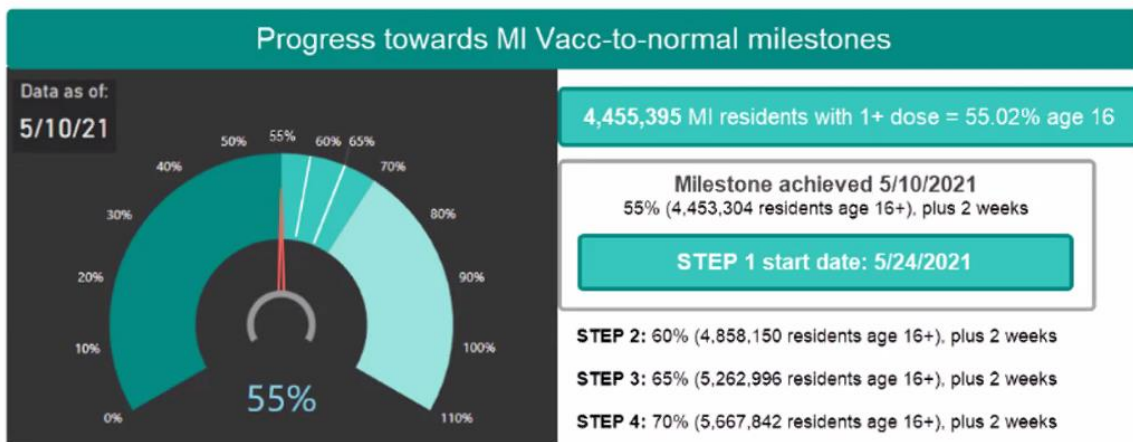
Grand Rapids Region

13.3%

Mercy Health (local) COVID-19 patient status as of May 12, 2021

Mercy Health Mercy Campus Source: EMResources, COVID Daily Hospital Clinical Data	03 May 2021 08:37 Mon	04 May 2021 08:42 Tue	05 May 2021 11:38 Wed	06 May 2021 11:13 Thu	07 May 2021 09:26 Fri		10 May 2021 11:26 Mon	11 May 2021 10:02 Tue	12 May 2021 10:08 Wed
Adult Confirmed-Positive COVID	49	45	45	48	45		43	37	45
Pediatric Confirmed-Positive COVID	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
ICU Adult Confirmed-Positive COVID	19	17	16	13	16		18	14	18
Hospitalized and Ventilated COVID	18	17	16	16	14		11	9	8
Transfers in within past 24 hours	0	0	0	3	0		0	0	0
Transfers out within past 24 hours	0	0	0	5	1		0	0	0
Previous Day COVID Related ED Visits	24	28	20	31	16		19	16	18

Michigan Hits 1st Milestone of MI Vacc To Normal Plan



- ***Allows in-person work for all sectors of business.***

Remember: Plus 2 weeks, and MIOSHA amend work rules

FDA authorizes Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine for use in children ages 12 to 15.

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☐ Check enclosed, payable to The Rotary Foundation.

☐ Contact me about joining the Paul Harris Society.

Contributions are tax deductible where allowed by law.

Please direct my gift to (choose one):

☐ Where the need is greatest

(Annual Fund-SHARE)

☐ Providing clean water

☐ Supporting education

☐ Fighting disease

Gift Amount (US\$)

☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$85 ☐ \$100

☐ Other: \$ _____

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The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives close to home and around the world.

By giving to the Annual Fund, you make these life-changing projects possible so that together, we can keep Doing Good in the World.



Donation is invested for 3 years; growth supports Foundation operations.

SPENDING DECISIONS SHARED

World Fund
(Trustee discretion)



GLOBAL GRANTS AND PROGRAMS*

District Designated Funds (DDF)
(District discretion)



DISTRICT GLOBAL GRANTS

*Includes PolioPlus, Rotary Peace Centers, other districts, and the Endowment Fund (areas of focus)

Annual Fund-SHARE

The Annual Fund is the main funding source for Foundation programs. Your gift empowers Rotarians to carry out sustainable service projects in your community and around the world. At the end of each year, contributions directed to Annual Fund-SHARE from all Rotary clubs in the district are divided between the World Fund and the District Designated Fund.

The Rotary Foundation uses the World Fund to support Rotary's highest-priority grants and programs, which are available to all Rotary districts. Your district uses the District Designated Fund to pay for Foundation, club, and district projects the clubs in your district choose.

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We Appreciate Your Support

The Rotary Foundation offers the following individual and club recognition to express our gratitude to Annual Fund donors. Visit rotary.org/recognition for a complete list of our donor recognition opportunities.

Sustaining member	When you give \$100 or more in a year
Paul Harris Fellow	When you give \$1,000 or more in your lifetime
Paul Harris Society member	When you elect to give \$1,000 or more annually
Every Rotarian, Every Year Club	When club giving reaches \$100 per capita or more and all dues-paying members give \$25 in a year

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COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Rotary District 6290 Rotary Foundation 500 Recognition Point Match Program 2020-2021

Dear Fellow Rotarians of Rotary District 6290.

Because of the COVID-19 Pandemic that still grips the Nation, our State and undisputable our Rotary District 6290, the rollout of our 500 PHF recognition point match program is as slow as it has been in the past year. We still have time to get your donations registered for the Rotary Year 2020/21. The economic stress in our district has many seek help from local agencies. These concerns are as valid today as they were last year. But even with this delay in rolling out this great program, I hope you will consider participating in this great program and support our Rotary Foundation Annual Fund.

For every \$500.00 cash donation to the Annual Fund, 500 points will be added from the generous gift of the Traverse City Charities, for a Paul Harris Fellow award.

Attach with this email is the 500-point match fillable form to be returned with your donation check no later than June 8, 2021 to the address listed on the form.

Any concerns or questions please contact me or any of our Foundation Team Members.

Rotary Greetings,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gernot", written over a blue circular stamp.

Gernot

DRFC 2019/20 District 6290

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Rotary International District 6290
Rotary Foundation 500 Recognition Point Match Program

For a limited time only, **April 20, 2021 through June 08, 2021**, on a first come first serve basis, Rotary International District 6290 is offering to match a ***new*** gift of \$500 to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund, with 500 recognition points to name a Paul Harris Fellow. (Note: "***new***" means that the entire \$500 contribution must be made within the program dates. Earlier partial donations cannot be counted towards the match.)

Please complete the information below and send along with a \$500 USD check payable to *The Rotary Foundation* to: (Please type or write clearly)

PDG Gernot Runschke
District Rotary Foundation
Committee
1624 Gladys Circle
Grand Haven, MI 49417

Forms must be accompanied by a \$500 USD check and postmarked no later than June 08, 2021.

The following Rotarian wants to participate in the district 6290 recognition points match
program:

Rotarian's Name	Rotarian's Member ID Number
Rotarian's Address	
Rotarian's Phone Number	
Rotarian's Email Address	
Rotarian's Club Name	
\$500 Check payable to The Rotary Foundation, check # _____	
Name (as it is to appear on PHF certificate) of person to receive Paul Harris Fellow	

**Questions? Contact Gernot Runschke at 616 566 3815 or email Gernot @
gernotrunschke@gmail.com**