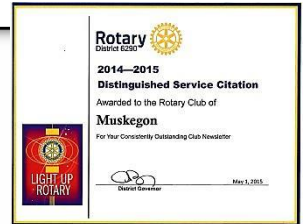


# "Service Above Self" Muskegon Rotary in Motion



<http://www.muskegonrotary.org>

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**Muskegon Rotary Club**  
Club 16 (2809) – District 6290, Chartered May 1, 1916  
**Next Mtg—November 17, 2022, 12-1:30pm**  
**The Delta - Hybrid**  
**ReWine Sat Club—Next mtg 11/17/22 5:15 pm**  
**J. Noling's garage, 2332 View Lane, N. Musk**



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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 (11/17/22) — United Way of the Lakeshore

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

Heidi Sytsema

### REFLECTOR

Emily Morgenstern Nov 10  
Bill Loxterman Nov 17

### NEXT (2) WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Jeanette Hoyer Nov 17  
Chris McGuigan Nov 18  
Michelle Burley Nov 19  
Rachel Fawcett Nov 20  
Diane Fleser Nov 20  
John Rupert Nov 20  
Karen Kayes Nov 22  
Emma Peterson Nov 25  
Kirk Hallmark Nov 27  
Gary Nelund Nov 28  
Roger Morgenstern Nov 30

[Caring Connections Fund](#)

### PROGRAMS / EVENTS

Nov 17 - United Way of the Lakeshore  
Nov 24 - THANKSGIVING - NO CLUB MEETING

### SOME PEOPLE CALL IT A SNOWSTORM



**BUT IN MICHIGAN, WE CALL IT TUESDAY**

### VISITORS & GUESTS



Heidi Sytsema welcomed back her guest Janelle Mair



Eric Seifert introduced Jeffrey Cave



Myra Dutton was joined by Darreco Scott



Clare Root Benson introduced Muskegon HS seniors Dayanara and Brielle

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Turkey Trot 11/17/22



Class members will be at Rotary on **November 17**. Can't make it in person? Let **John Noling** know and they will come to you for pickup.

Missed a week? Watch the entire 11/10/22 meeting [here](#).

# THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM:

## Fair Housing Rights

Speaker: Liz Keegan

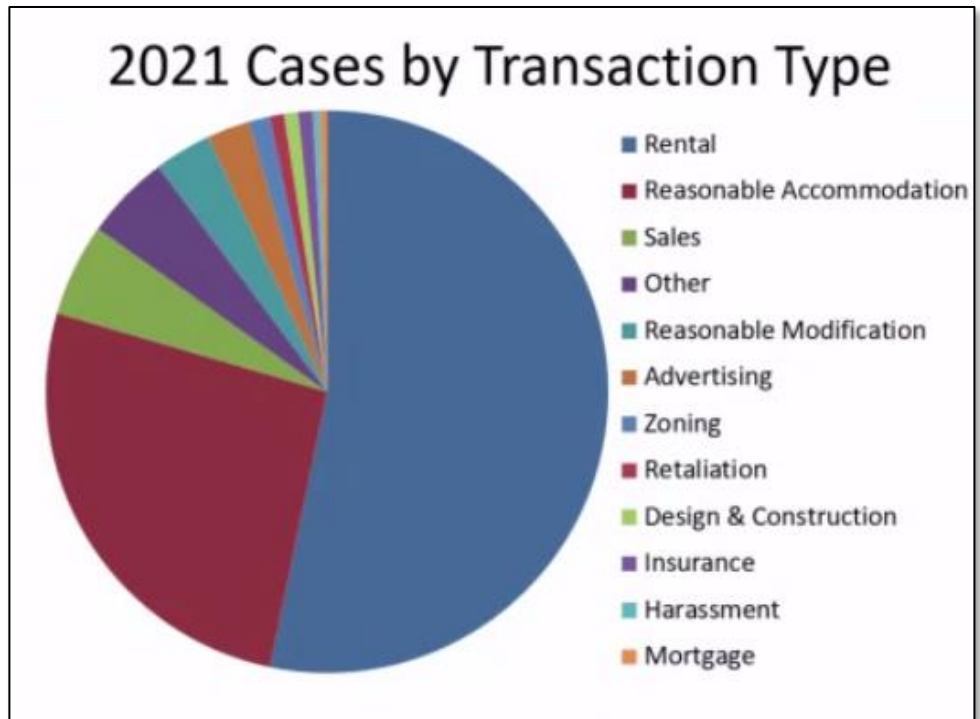
Reporter: Jackie Farrar

The Fair Housing Center of West Michigan was founded in 1980 as a private, non-profit organization (501c3), out of a combined grassroots effort to desegregate schools and integrate neighborhoods. Their mission is to prevent and eliminate illegal housing discrimination, to ensure equal housing opportunity, and to promote inclusive communities.

Fair housing is the right to choose housing free from unlawful discrimination based on protected classes under Federal, State, and Local Fair Housing Laws. Fair Housing provides education & outreach, research & systemic investigations, complaint assistance, and advocacy. Fair housing does not have attorneys on staff or offer legal advice, services are free, and discrimination can be reported anonymously.

### Federal Housing Law Covers

- Apartments
- Houses and Condominiums
- Condominium and Homeowners Associations
- Cooperatives, College Residences
- Lending Institutions
- Subsidized Housing
- Mobile, Manufactured Homes
- Insurance
- Homeowners Insurance Companies
- Housing construction sites, empty lots
- Senior Housing
- Real Estate Agents
- Individual Landlords
- Property Owners
- Property/Community Managers
- Lenders
- Appraisers
- Condo/HOA/Coop Board Members
- Homeowners Insurance Agents



### Housing Discrimination

- Refusal to sell/rent after making a bona fide offer based on a protected class, otherwise make unavailable or deny
- Discrimination in the terms, conditions or privileges of sale or rental of a dwelling
- Make, print, or publish a notice or statement that indicates a discriminatory preference
- Falsely telling someone a dwelling is not for sale or rent
- Steering people toward or away from particular buildings, floors, neighborhoods, etc.

#### Possible Discrimination

- Requiring residents to have a job or work a certain number of hours
- Rejecting an application because of a "no felonies" policy
- Making rules that only apply to kids or charging extra for kids
- Only renting to adults or single mothers
- Putting people into certain buildings because of age, gender, or children

- Experiencing sexual harassment by a landlord or maintenance person

Housing Modifications/Accommodations for individuals with Disabilities

- Reasonable modifications are a structural or other physical change to the unit or housing structure to provide a person with a disability physical access. These may include widening doorways, installing grab bars, lowering kitchen cabinets, adjusting heights on outlets or thermostats, and altering a walkway

- Reasonable accommodations are a change in any rule, policy, procedure, or service if the changes are needed for a person with a disability to have equal access and enjoyment of their housing. These may include waiving a "no pet" policy, allowing a live-in aide, or assigning accessible parking

Request for services can be in writing, in person, over the phone, through a friend, family member, or caregiver, and any time. Requests will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and The Fair Housing Center of West Michigan is here to help!

Numerous ways you can find more information on Fair Housing Center of West Michigan:

- Call (616) 451-2980 or 1-866-389-FAIR(3247)
- Visit [www.fhccwm.org](http://www.fhccwm.org)
- [www.fhccwm.org/homeseekers](http://www.fhccwm.org/homeseekers)
- <http://www.fhccwm.org/publications>
- E-mail [contact-us@fhccwm.org](mailto:contact-us@fhccwm.org)
- Contact Liz Keegan at [lkeegan@fhccwm.org](mailto:lkeegan@fhccwm.org)

**This Week's Spotlight:  
Troy Wasserman**



**Troy Wasserman** was recruited to join Rotary by Jason Piasecki and Gary Nelund. Troy is married to his wife Carly and has two children (one attends Northern Michigan University and the other is at Mona Shores High School). Troy enjoys hunting, fishing, skiing, hiking, and tennis. Troy is the co-owner of Wasserman's Floral and Gifts Shop with his sister Angie. Wasserman's Floral and Gifts is the oldest business in Muskegon and is celebrating 142 years in business this year. Troy's Great-Great Grandparents who were Immigrants from Germany started the business in 1880. Troy and his sister have rebranded the store inside and out and value all their customers. Troy is also a Commercial Real Estate Agent at Core Realty Partners in Downtown Muskegon and appreciates being part of the accomplishments Rotary does in the community.

Watch Troy's full interview [here](#).

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**New Member Induction:**

**Carim Calkins**

Carim Calkins is a Muskegon native who moved around Michigan as a child, ultimately graduating in Whitehall. His wife Sally is a graduate of Mona Shores, and they met at MCC, where they were married in the courtyard in 1987 after earning their associate's degrees. Their 21-year-old son Jacob is currently a student at MCC, where he will be the 3rd Calkins generation to earn his first degree at MCC.

Carim continued his education at MSU, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Biology, Physical Science, and Secondary Education. After becoming a science teacher in the Detroit area, he earned his Master's Degree in Biology from MSU. He completed his education with an Education Specialist Degree from Oakland University and a K-12 Special Education Certificate from Madonna University.

He taught a variety of science courses from 6th to 12th grade, and was also an administrator and school accreditation chairman for many years. During his teaching career, Carim mentored students in many clubs, and assisted several scouts with their Eagle Scout projects at his school. He was fortunate to create nature trails at two middle schools, the most recent of which was in Livonia, where he received support from the local Rotary Club.

A licensed residential builder since 1996, Carim still likes to build things, but tends to focus most of his efforts on his own homes and those of friends. He hopes to use some of his construction skills on the Rotary Interact trip to El Salvador in 2023.



Carim began his service to the community when he joined the Army in 1983. His military career concluded at the end of Desert Storm in 1991. He continued his service as part of his local neighborhood board, as the water quality director for his lake board, as a founding member of the MCC Fab Lab, and most recently as an elected member of the Roosevelt Park City Council. He looks forward to many years of service as a member of the Rotary Club.

Carim is sponsored by **Rob Taylor**.



Holidays in the City is a collaboration between the Downtown Development Authority, the City of Muskegon, the Muskegon Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce, and downtown businesses and organizations to bring you the very best of our downtown during the holiday season. Every weekend from Thanksgiving through Christmas, there are fun and exciting holiday events taking place! Explore all the great things downtown Muskegon has to offer this holiday season! Holidays in the City kicks off on **November 26** with Small Business Saturday and the community Christmas tree lighting in Hackley Park. Click [here](#) for more information.

# Interact Insider

Contributed by John Noling

## All the Latest and Best:

- 23 active Interact clubs in District 6290, 4 more tinkering with restarting
- 6 are Muskegon clubs: North Musk, Mona Shores, Muskegon High, Orchard View, Reeths-Puffer, and Oakridge at various stages of organization
- 12 or more local Interactors signing up for El Salvador service trip Mar 29-April 6 from 5 clubs at cost of \$1300 plus passport fees
- Building five more homes in Talnique, El Salvador is the goal with approx 55 total participants on trip
- **POP CANS NEEDED!** for helping many students finance the trip, so please help and bring to Rotary or call John Noling or Blake Cramer
- At least 3 more Rotary chaperones from Muskegon going on trip
- Get Your Chili 🌶️ On! scheduled for Feb 9 to raise funds for materials for one complete house in Talnique is the goal (\$4000)
- North Muskegon club voted \$400 to Red Cross for Hurricane Ian Relief recently!
- North Muskegon Middle School Interact classes partnering with us for Turkey Trot to provide food items for Muskegon Rescue Mission pantry
- Orchard View pursuing purchase of wheelchair for polio victims through Wheels of Hope!
- Congrats to former and amazing NM Interactor Bella Lindsay for her \$16,000 fundraising efforts for upgrades to medical clinics in Gambia
- Thanks to Muskegon Rotary for community grant to help bring national speaker Molly Kennedy to 5 area high schools
- Thanks to Rotarian Craig Pirrotta for generous donation to Mona Shores Interact for planting 100 trees on his property
- Look for Dec 1 Rotary Program on Interact with impressive panel of Interact Presidents sharing their stories.

## Upcoming Rotary Lunch Meetings

*November 17*

**United Way of the Lakeshore**  
Presentation of United Way mission and programs

*November 24*



Thanksgiving, no meeting

*December 1*

### **Muskegon Interact Program**

A panel of two Interact students and two Rotarians will describe what Interact is, its benefits to youth and our community, and Interact plans for the balance of the school year

*December 8*

### **AvaSure**

AvaSure executive will describe operations of patient monitoring systems.

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**Please email Club Board Members through this [link](#):**

**Shop Small**  
**Saturday,**  
**November 26,**  
**2022**

### **RIM Reporting Team**

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