

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—(2/11/21) "Pound Buddies"

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

\* Cupid

### **REFLECTORS**

Jim Rausch	2/4
Michael Miller	2/11
Jane Clingman-Scott	2/18
Chanda Cregg	2/25

#### THIS WEEK'S MENU

Intensely flavored and juicy imaginative lamb shank, infused with fresh rosemary and sage.

### NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

(None)

#### PROGRAMS / EVENTS

2/4 COVID-19 Vaccine
2/4 ReWine via Zoom 5:15 PM
2/11 Pound Buddies
2/18 Mercy Health
3/4 Muskegon Heights Schools

If you missed the Feb 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, want to watch it again, or share with someone who may be interested in learning more about our Rotary club, you can view the video <u>here</u>.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Grants Committee Met**

From **Arn Boezaartt**, the Grants Committee (11 in attendance) met on January 18<sup>th</sup> and decided to continue the Food Trucks with the remaining funds (approximately \$7000) from this fiscal year (through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021). The decision last year that \$7500 be used toward food trucks in the community was due to an emerging need during the COVID pandemic.

#### Arn

personally thanks all who already participated. While the Grants



Committee is cogniscent of funds not meant to initiate standard activities/commitments for Rotary, the concern of this COVID pandemic and increased food needs this fiscal year did show considerable importance.

The committee will continue to look at different needs in the future for these

funds. The meeting ended with a unanimous vote to recommend this motion which will be followed by a review from the Rotary Board on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>.



## Guests

Cliff Sandee Assistant Principal from Reeths-Puffer High School introduced students (and cousins) Caden Brainard and McKenna Monette

**Dr. Rem Sprague** introduced Dr. Justin Grill, Chief Medical Officer Mercy Health Muskegon

**Doug Wood** introduced Dr. Kim Keessen (starting the membership process)

Cathy Brubaker-Clarke introduced Pam Poort, PTAC Director



- Sponsored by all 5 Interact Clubs with ReWine support
- Sponsor a kit for \$10 Donation
- Kits will contain the makings for a nice family-of-four pot of chili in one bag delivered through a local pantry of students' choosing.
- WANT TO HELP? Contact Kaytie Drake at <u>kaytieely@aol.com</u>, or any other ReWine member/InterAct student for more information
- Please send any donations to: Muskegon Rotary PO Box 66, Muskegon, 49443 and note "Chili Kit"on your check

## Calling Committee Leaders: Reaching Out to New Members

Troy Bell, gave a wonderful 2minute talk inviting our Muskegon Rotary committee leaders to reach out to new members. A great reminder to reach out to new members and share your committee's works (or needs) throughout the year. Contact Mike Vogas to do a 2-minute talk show presentation for the Rotary meetings or this Editor to include a few words in the RIM.

Thank you, Troy, for the great reminder. Troy's 2-Minute Talk Link: <u>Click</u> <u>Here</u>



## **Muskegon Rotary Board**

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## WEEKLY COVID REPORT

Kathy Moore, Muskegon County Director of Public Health, continues to keep us informed. We are in a very good position overall but would like to still see the current rate below 5%. Mercy Health has made a lot of internal adjustments and are ready for a surge if necessary but are looking positively toward the future. People are now taking care of other medical needs other than COVID. The number of deaths in Muskegon County continues to be high relative to other counties and we don't have enough information for the background on this yet. There is a central database for requests for the COVID-19 Vaccine. Total requests are 29,410 as of 2/2/2021 (22,133 are 65+).

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

Mask Up Muskegon: https://www.maskupmuskegon.org/vacc ineinfo

Essential Businesses are requested to go online

(<u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Esse</u> <u>ntialEmployerVaccinationIntakeForm</u>) to fill out the survey to inform them of the number of employees so they can plan accordingly.

**Christine Robere** also added that United Way is doing some transitioning and created a separate COVID volunteer list. With everything starting to open up, agencies are looking for help.

Unitedwaylakeshore.org/volunteer NOTE: Please look for Kathy's graphs on the last page of this RIM.



Jaymi Carmean, Reeths-Puffer Rocket City Rotary Interact

An 11th grade student at Reeths-Puffer, Jaymi has stepped up in her role as a member of the Reeths-



Puffer Rotary Interact Club.

This year, our school as a whole put together a drive-by Holiday Light Show fundraiser that raised money for the Muskegon Rescue Mission. Our Rotary Interact club was assigned to put up a light display for this event to represent our club; Jaymi came through for us. By donating several lights and decorations, as well as setting everything up, she allowed Interact to put out a presentation that we were very proud of!

Jaymi just recently colored brown lunch bags that we donate from our club to Kids' Food Basket of Muskegon for the food nourishment program. Jaymi is attentive at all of our meetings and has a bright future ahead of her! This year has been extremely difficult to navigate initiatives and opportunities to help the community that are safe and available for us to do. However, Javmi has been involved with all that she can and a great member of our club. I am confident for the future of our group and community with leaders like this who are ready to make positive impacts in the world!

—Kendall Smith, President RP Rocket City Rotary Interact

# THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM: **COVID-19 Vaccine**



**RIM Reporter: Jackie Farrar** Facilitator: Dr. Rem Sprague Speakers: Doctors Claudia Jarrin Tejada and Justin Grill

headache, chills, joint pain, nausea, vomiting fatigue, and fever. It's important to point out most people experienced the side effects after the second dose for up to 3 days. The vaccines will help our bodies build a defense against this virus and bring us to herd immunity as long as people continue to get vaccinated.

Both vaccines have gone through several studies/trails and have been approved by the FDA. Research continues on both of these vaccines and additional



Dr. Justin Grill

COVID-19 seems like it's been here

forever and never going away. The

great news is vaccines are here and

waitlist for the vaccine continues to

enough vaccines to meet the needs

County is using vaccines from Pfizer

people are requesting them. The

grow - we simply don't have

of our community. Muskegon

and Moderna, both vaccines

require two shots. Muskegon

vaccines they have received (the

remaining 5% will be used for 2<sup>nd</sup>

doses). The most common side

effects reported are: pain at the

swelling/redness, tiredness,

injection site such as

County has used 95% of the

Dr. Claudia Jarrin Tejada

vaccines such as Johnson and Johnson (one shot dose). It is important to note that due to the continued studies we don't know how long the vaccine will last, it could end up being an annual vaccine like the flu - stay tuned as additional research continues on the vaccines.

Once people have received both vaccines, they need to continue wearing a mask, stay six feet apart from others, and wash their hands regularly. We need to continue to follow the CDC guidelines because not everyone has been vaccinated. We all live, work, and Love this community and need to do our part

as Rotarians and help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

History.com— **Shirley Chisholm** 



Shirley Chisholm is widely known for her history-making turn in 1972 when she became the first African American from a major political party to run for president and the first Democratic woman of any race to do so. But Chisholm's presidential bid was far from Chisholm's only accomplishment throughout her 80-year life.



For the full History.com article, click this link: click here

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As of February 1, 2021 Total positive cases to date: 10,103 Total negatives: 141,702 Total deaths to date: 290 Total recovery: 8,939



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Daily Positive Test Rate MUSKEGON COUNTY



# 7 Day Average Positive Test Rate

Lowest 1.6 % on 9/19/20 Highest 24.9% on 11/18/20 Current 5.8% on 1/30/21



Mi Safe Start Map: Epidemic Spread Excluding probable cases		
Michigan	5.1%	99
Local (GR) Region	5.2%	105
Muskegon	5.8%	80
Kent	5.3%	117
Ottawa	5.3%	120