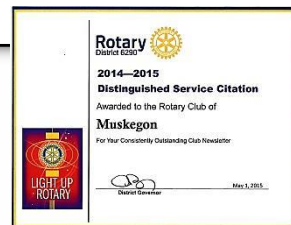


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Muskegon Rotary Club

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

JULY 16, 2020 12:00-1:00pm

FROM YOUR HOME, OFFICE, HAMMOCK
ReWine Satellite Club – No meeting tonight

Mary Anne Gorman, Director
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Ginny Sprague, Director
JD Wallace, Sr, Director
Doug Wood, Director
Jackie Farrar, RIM Reporter
Lori Weiler, RIM Editor



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?

(7/16/20) "Hackley Public Library Update" Joseph Zappacosta

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

* Waiting in the wings
REFLECTOR

Chanda Cregg

THIS WEEK'S MENU

As lunch has become a mystery of late, let's all bring a brown bag this week – its contents are purely up to each of us individually

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Donna Allen	Jul 17
Karen Hayslip	Jul 17
Kathy Betts	Jul 18
Julia Koch	Jul 19
Bill Marietti	Jul 19
Rich Houtteman	Jul 20
Mort Kantor	Jul 20
Courtney Porrett	Jul 20

FUTURE PROGRAMS / EVENTS

07/16 **Boom Meeting**
 07/16 Hackley Public Library
 07/23 Downtown Art Projects
 07/30 TBA
 08/06 TBA
 08/13 TBA
 08/20 TBA
 08/27 TBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Muskegon Museum of Art is now open now from 11-4 every day (closed Mondays) check out "Glass: Treasures from the Permanent Collection" opening in the L. C. and Margaret Walker A Gallery on Tuesday, July 7. This major exhibition showcases works by many of the artists that defined the studio glass movement along with works made by today's new masters. For more inspiration visit their website [here](#).



AND The Lakeshore Museum Center welcomed us all back starting July 6th. They are open Monday-Friday from 11am-3pm, with hours for seniors and vulnerable persons in the morning. To see the full list of special hours, as well as what they are doing to keep guests and staff safe, visit their website [here](#):

Of course you can't decide which to visit--so visit both!

COVID-19 Update

Public Health Director Kathy Moore reported Muskegon County is still really doing well and showing a gradual decline in positive cases. However, the State upgraded our region (GR, Muskegon, Ottawa) from medium to med-high yesterday. Important to note; however, it is NOT due to Muskegon County's numbers (although we have not yet received any residual results from the July 4th socializing.) The stay at home order being lifted is not an open green light and we still need residents to be as careful as possible. She's still hoping that if we behave well enough our schools may open as planned.

Christine Robere, United Way of the Lakeshore, added "Get involved, but be safe."

Board of Directors Update

President **Mark Meyers** thanked all the Rotary Board Members during our changing of the guards. He swore in new members, thanked the members staying on and those stepping down for their leadership.



President **Mark Meyers** also briefed us on his goals and visions for the coming year. He's had great meetings and conversations with committee chairs. The budget is in great shape and we have the most members ever.

He discussed with all of us today one of his biggest concerns for our community and country today, public discourse. As he and our Muskegon Rotary look forward to the coming year, it's time for us to focus on speakers and programs to continue having these discussions and how we can promote being respectful when we have different opinions. Our country and community needs to do better as it relates to our relationships with people of color. Our DEI Committee has already made great progress but there's always more work to be done. Love Lives Here will continue to play a huge part to strengthen our community.

Another topic of ongoing concern and discussion is our Muskegon Rotary Board working hard to plan getting our meetings back to "in-person."

ReWine

Next meeting will be July 16 at Racquets (outdoors).

Last Week's Program Eviction Prevention Program

By RIM Reporter **Jackie Farrar**

Speakers – Honorable Maria Ladas-Hoopes & Patrick Finnegan

Muskegon's Eviction Prevention Court launched in 2018 under the guidance of Maria Ladas-Hoopes, Chief Judge of the 60th District Court. A partnership was formed between Judge Ladas-Hoopes, Community enCompass, and the Department of Human Services. The three work together to support individuals in the community who receive an eviction notice by developing a solution so they are able to reside in their home.

To date, 157 households have participated in the program and 90% have paid all back rent and stayed in their homes.

A typical rent eviction is a 10-day process. However, through the eviction prevention court, tenants enter into an agreement with their landlord to pay off back rent within a 21-day period. The Department of Human Services and Community enCompass will meet with individuals to develop a plan on how they can pay the back rent in a three-week timeline. They are also addressing underlying issues, such as life skills, financial assistance, and budgeting. At the end of 21-day period, if they follow the agreement, the case will be dismissed, the tenant remains in the home with no eviction judgement on their record.

To date, 157 households have participated in the program and 90% have paid all back rent and stayed in their homes. There is still a need for more landlord participation in this

community for this program. The Muskegon Community Foundation provided funding to start this program and over time the program has grown and could use additional funding to support casework.



Below is a suggested book to read and two wonderful articles about the Eviction Prevention Program. Enjoy the readings and be thankful that we live in a community that when we see a need we work together to support that need.

Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City – Matthew Desmond

<https://www.mlive.com/news/muskegon/2020/02/michigan-supreme-court-justice-visits-muskegons-eviction-prevention-court.html>

<https://muskegontimes.com/2019/04/30/as-muskegon-county-faces-eviction-rate-four-times-higher-than-national-average-a-new-court-initiative-is-preventing-homelessness-keeping-tenants-in-their-homes/>

There's still room for YOU on the 10-Cent Honor Roll

Doug and Kim Wood

Jim Schiltz

Mark and Gwen Bialas

Martin Asplund

Chanda and Jay Cregg

Email Blake Cramer at Blake51@gmail.com if you would like to donate to Our Rotary Future! We can easily arrange pick up or drop off for you.



Flag Volunteers Needed!



Sue Noling and 4th of July Flag Placement

Please consider helping our club this Labor Day to help place 34 American flags at 7 am along Seaway Drive between Southern and Hackley avenues....or take the flags in at 5:45 pm? John and Sue Noling would like some partners from our club to keep this tradition going. This is about 45 minutes of service to your country and community....and leaves you feeling good!

Please let John Noling know you can pitch in for Labor Day (September 7) and/or Veteran's Day (November 11)
johnnoling65@gmail.com

We also pick up all trash in the median along the way so our Rotary section looks wonderful when we are done.

We work with six other community service organizations who make Seaway Drive from Green Street to the Causeway look really grand on major holidays. This is a great country we live in and we send an important message to our fellow Americans.

Join Zoom Meeting:

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- Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device
- **Please follow the guidelines below to ensure we have a respectful and productive meeting.**
- Please login to the Zoom meeting by 11:55 am if possible.
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- Feel free to stop sharing your image if you have to walk away or leave the meeting temporarily.
- Please remember that while you are sharing your image everyone else in the meeting can see you – be mindful of what you do on camera.
- Please use the Q&A box to ask questions of the presenters and use the Chat box for sidebar conversations with other attendees.

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We miss you all! If you have any fun photos of what you've been doing in and around the community since we have been Zooming, please submit them to lori.weiler@summitlawncare.net for an upcoming RIM. We'd all love to "see" you--share your community pride with Muskegon Rotary!

For example, here's what new Muskegon Rotarian **Blake Cramer**, does when he's not collecting cans for the Orchard View and Oakridge Rotaract Interact Clubs.

