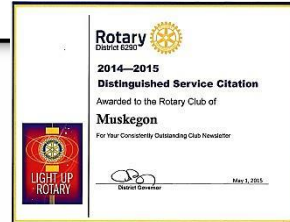




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Muskegon Rotary Club

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

June 14, 2018 12:00–1:30pm

Muskegon Harbor Holiday Inn

ReWine Satellite Club 5:15 - 6:30pm Holiday Inn



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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?



(6/14) "Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant" Contestants

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

INVOCATOR - REFLECTOR

Tamara Jackson Gatewood

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Roasted Pork Loin covered with cherry chutney and feta crumbles, rice pilaf, roasted cauliflower, rolls / butter, garden salad, dessert

NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Bob Landman	Jun 15
Jim Rausch	Jun 15
Dick Witham	Jun 15
Ara Demirjian	Jun 16

FUTURE PROGRAMS/EVENTS

06/14 Meet @ Holiday Inn, not Lake House
06/14 Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant
06/21 Honduras Report
06/23 Seaway Run
06/28 Step Up!
06/29 Rotary's "Parties in the Park"
07/05 Passing of the Gavel - Cathy to Kathy
07/11 New Member Get Together-Crandalls
07/12 Bethany Christian Services
07/19 Rotary Service Awards
08/09 El Salvador Report
09/20 New Member Get Together-Lox's
10/03 Grape Escape

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

PICTURE & PROFILE

DEADLINE: JULY 5



This Week on Stage



TWO PICTURES ARE WORTH 2000 WORDS

FOR THE 2018-19 DIRECTORY SIMPLE CHECKLIST

- LOOK AT YOUR PROFILE.
- FILL-IN ALL EMPTY OR OUTDATED SPACES; EMAIL SAME TO AMY GUSTIN.
- EXAMINE YOUR PROFILE PHOTO; LEAVE AS IS OR SELECT A NEW ONE?
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- DEADLINE FOR ALL PROFILE AND PIC CHANGES: JULY 5

Muskegon Rotary's



Friday, June 29, 2018

5:00pm – 9:00pm

Hackley Park Downtown

On Stage: Kari Lynch Band

Official band video recording:

https://youtu.be/5GXl9LGv_j4

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign up as a PIP second shift (6:30-9:00pm) volunteer.



Muskegon Holiday Inn

Thursdays 5:15 – 6:30pm



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COMMUNITY MIXER 2018



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See You in September To Your Health

Ed. Note: RIM is pleased to share a new monthly addition to our publication. This column will be focused on Mental Health and Wellbeing and will be provided by our recent Rotary addition, Amy West, MSW and president of CUP-Health. Amy will be assisting the RIM team on a monthly basis and will provide us with a variety of mental health aspects as well as its impact on everyday life.



AMY WEST

Beginning September 2018, we will feature a monthly segment that brings awareness to present day challenges, i.e. the prevalence of mental illness, substance use, soaring health costs, chronic disease, absenteeism and its effect on productivity, as well as depression in the workplace. Amy will also offer tips & tools, which will include mental health awareness, changing the stigma of mental health imbalance, the value of Employee Assistance programs, empowering managers and supervisors, having difficult conversations, and professional development for all levels of leadership.

Amy has been involved in the profession of mental health for over 18 years. She and her CUP-Health team work each day to empower people, companies, and communities to thrive. It is our hope that this information and awareness leads to greater understanding of mental health and wellbeing, leading to opportunities for each of us to make a difference in our family, workplace, and community.

Amy and CUP-Health look forward to seeing you in September! -BJ

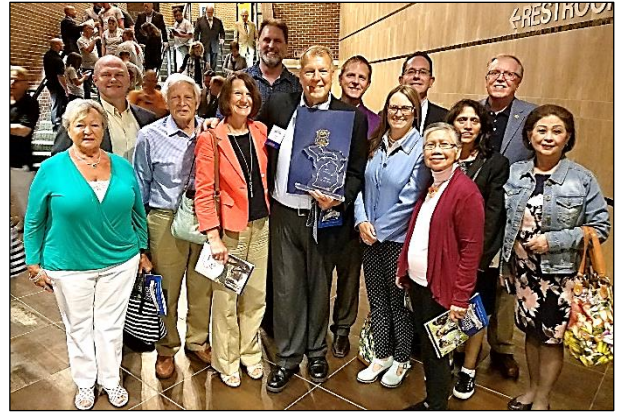
PS – Others of you with a Rotary-connected message to share are invited to discuss possible RIM coverage with RIM staff members listed in the middle column. RIM's available for all Rotarians.

Noling Honored

by Bob Scolnik

I shared a post Tuesday night from the 2018 Governor's Service Awards presentation from the beautiful Wharton Center on the Michigan State Campus in East Lansing. I was there for John Noling, a long-time Muskegon Educator and a man who has spent his entire life helping to provide opportunities for Muskegon's youth. He has mentored countless young people and inspired them to be leaders in their community. His involvement in the Muskegon Rotary Club led to the establishing of Rotaract and Interact Clubs...extensions of the Rotary organization...in local high schools and colleges, with over 150 students currently active. He has done a lot more than I can write here and he is a humble man who never seeks credit or the limelight, but his efforts have made a huge difference for youth in our community.

Tuesday night, **John Noling** was honored to receive the "Mentor of the Year" Award for the State of Michigan by Governor Rick Snyder and the Michigan Human Service Commission. It was a terrific night with a private reception for the recipients, their nominators and families



followed by the actual event in the huge theater with many hundreds of people attending. There were videos of some of the winners (John's was the best!), live entertainment and some tears. A great night for Muskegon!

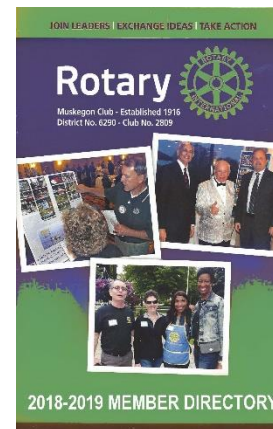
Another local recipient was Mary Payne who was recognized as a "Senior Volunteer of the Year." Her work with numerous non-profits over decades has made a difference and she is an inspiration to her younger peers. A large contingent of supporters attended the fantastic event to support John and Mary and I, for one, drove home feeling great. A big Thank You to United Way for bringing these Awards to our attention. The award nominations, and they were very detailed, were submitted, for Mary Payne by **Christine Robere** and I was honored to write **John Noling's**. Both very well deserved! #JohnNolingRocks! #MichiganVolunteers

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What will the new Membership Directory look like? Well... if our new **President Kathy** were to have ties to both MSU and



Uof M, it might look like this (Go Blue! Go Green!). In any event, the thinking is, probably no one wants an outdated photo or faulty information to appear in this attractive publication with

a powerful shelf life of one year, maybe close to forever. To avoid disappointment, make sure everything is properly filled in and up-to-date (see Simple Checklist, page 1), and emailed to Amy Gustin (aequs@aol.com) by July 5.

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM SUCESSFUL AGAIN FOR MUSKEGON

By Joan Smith

Rotary Youth Exchange Officer

I was the Rotary Youth Exchange Officer, last year, working with all inbound and outbound details, and **Jackie Fisher** served as counselor for Benny Cherchi. As Jackie takes on the secretary job at the end of June, our new counselor will be **Myrna Olsen**.

Benedetta "Benny" Cherchi is from Sardinia, Italy and arrived last August.

She attended North Muskegon HS and has had a great year. She lived with Annah and **Dakota Crow** and their family the first semester and had a wonderful

experience of really connecting with that delightful family! She then lived with **Chris McGuigan** and Gary Neal for the second semester and really got to see the U.S. She was in New York City, California, and Chicago and also just had a super time with that family! We had a goodbye party for her at **Bill Loxterman's** beautiful home on Lake Muskegon and her host families "lightly" roasted her! It was fun. She was our first inbound student in several years as well, so our Club is on its way to engaging again in the Rotary Youth Exchange. We'll miss Benny!



Carleigh Wilson is the daughter of our Rotary member, Chanda Cregg. She worked with me all this year to prepare her application to be an outbound exchange student from Central States.

She attended a September and January Retreat, learning more about

the exchange and meeting other potential outbound and current inbound students from other countries. Carleigh passed her interview with our Youth Exchange Committee, and we nominated her to Central States. She was interviewed by them in an April weekend, and she was fully accepted! In late May, she learned that she is going to Romania, has been studying Romanian, bought her blazer, and is most excited about the year ahead. She is a student at Reeths-Puffer HS and will return for her senior year. She is Muskegon Rotary's first outbound student in several years, so we are excited!



7th Annual
Veterans Job Fair
LC Walker Arena
Friday, June 15,
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
955 4th St, Muskegon, MI

- *Veterans: If you are interested in starting a career, changing careers or upward mobility, attend a Veteran Job Fair and meet with a Vet Emp Rep.*
- *Apply and interview with veteran friendly employers.*
- *This Job Fair is open to Veterans, Friends, Family, and the Public.*

Ø For more information contact:
Muskegon Veteran Center, www.MuskegonVeterans.com
or
(231) 724-7143.



ROTARY PARK TO OPEN SOON

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – PRESIDENT

Last week's Community Mixer was well attended, a success and lots of fun. A big thank you to all of the volunteers at this year's event. **President Cathy** and others were recently at the Wharton Center for a reception for **John Noling** who was recognized for his amazing "Mentor of the Year" service to Rotary, Rotaract and Interact. Thank you to **Bob Scolnik**, who applied for the award, helping ensure that John would be properly recognized for the countless services he performed for us all. Mary Payne was also honored with the "Senior Volunteer of the Year" award. Check out your most recent *Rotarian* magazine regarding how Rotarians are helping to decrease maternal and infant deaths around the world. See page 64 for details.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Rotary's upcoming Thursday lunch meeting – June 14 - will be held at the Holiday Inn.

Exchange Student Update: Benny is returning to Italy in late June and shared how much she will miss Muskegon after a year's stay. Carleigh greeted us in Romanian and noted that she is getting a little anxious about her year abroad but is also very excited about this opportunity. A special thanks to Kenna and **Bill Loxterman**, who has agreed to host our exchange student from Chile, until a long-term family can be secured.

Megan Byard Karaba introduced our three Rotary Scholars for 2018: Marvin Watkins Jr. is graduating from Muskegon High School and will attend MCC this fall; Desiree Taylor also graduated from Muskegon High School and will attend MCC; and Cameron Thompson graduated from Mona Shores High School and will attend the Culinary Arts Institute of Michigan via Baker College.

Red Star Removals: **Diane Fleser** and **Viktor Anderson**.

Last Week's Program

Perceptions of Criminal Justice Reform

By RIM Reporter Meredith Smillie

Heidi Sytsema, right, introduced us to Heather Garretson, a local attorney who is working on criminal justice reform. Heather – by the way, the daughter of former Rotarian **Sherry Albertie Becker** - led us through a brief, but powerful, PowerPoint presentation on the startling statistics of incarceration, both in the world and locally here in Michigan.

The United States is a world leader in rates of incarcerated persons, second only to Russia. Heather indicated that 30% of Americans have a criminal record and believes that number is actually higher now.



She stated that incarceration intersects with many other areas of interest; such as poverty, education, substance use, employment, housing and family systems. It is estimated that 1 in 28 children in the United States has a parent that is currently incarcerated. It costs tax payers somewhere between \$28,000 to \$35,000 per year to house an inmate; and pointed out that attending the University of Michigan or Michigan State is cheaper than housing a person in corrections each year. In fact, the State of Michigan's budget for the Department of Corrections has grown from 3% in the 1988 to over 21% in 2018.

Heather led the discussion with some very interesting and sobering statistics on racial disparity in the criminal justice system. Local jails (United States) house 646,000 inmates who have not yet been convicted of a crim. These are primarily individuals who cannot afford to post bond due to issues of poverty. Heather indicated



that 1 in 106 white males, 1 in 36 Hispanic males, and 1 in 15 African American males (18 years and older) will enter the criminal justice system at some point. If rates of incarceration remain on par with current rates of incarceration, those rates could jump to 1-17 white males, 1-6 Hispanic males and 1-3 African American males.

Heather provided our group with a brief history on how rates of incarceration have jumped since the 1970's; including periods of civil unrest, the war on drugs and tough on crime political platforms. Heather shared how public perceptions can shape policy and how the general public consistently over-estimates violent crime rates and recidivism rates. She countered that many other Western countries have seen a decline in incarceration rates, the United States has not, and these counties do not have "tough on crime" political ideation. She suggested that we utilize how we vote, how we read the news, who we choose to employ and where you choose to volunteer as ways to balance how society can reshape reality.

Heather ended her program with how 95% of prisoners will be released back home at some point in their lifetime. There as discussion that employment is one of the strongest predictors of rates of recidivism



HEATHER AND TOM POWERS

and that if an individual is employed one year or more, their chance of re-offending drops from 52% to 12%. Incarceration has lasting impacts on housing, employment, public benefits eligibility, jury service, parental rights and taxes. Heather countered with longer punishments do not help recidivism rates, the war on drugs is not the answer and offered suggestions on bail reform, expungements and ban the box on employment applications.

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Inductions: LeighAnn Mikesell - Director of Municipal Services at Muskegon County.

Committee Reports: The *Grape Escape* Committee is in need of a few more bottles of wine for the Silent Auction. If you are willing to donate, please contact **Ginny Sprague** by June 21.

Parties in the Park sign-up sheet was sent around again requesting volunteers for second shift slots on June 29. If you are able to assist with set-up, please arrive early to the park; and/or if you can assist with tear down, please stay a bit late. There is a meeting for the *Parties in the Park* Committee at 11:00am on June 14, at the Holiday Inn.

Jamie Hekker needs volunteers for the June 23 Seaway Run. Rotary is hosting a water station during the run and needs volunteers. She also needs volunteers to assist in handing out numbers and tee shirts during registration on June 22. You can also still sign up to run! Muskegon Smart Commute Week: **register your teams by June 10** at (see poster next page) www.muskegonsmartcommute.com ... make an impact on our community and the earth. Teams can sign up to earn cool stuff by committing to walking, biking, bussing or carpooling to work the week of June 11 to June 15, 2018



Log daily activities for **SMART COMMUTING** (walking, running, cycling, or taking the bus) to earn points. Individuals and teams with the most points will earn **FREE PRIZES** donated by local event sponsors. Enjoy discounts during **Smart Commute Week June 11-15** at Coffee Factory, Drip Drop Drink, Fetch Brewery, Pekadills, Pigeon Hill Brewery, Root Down and Unruly Brewery.

Participants must register online at www.muskegonsmartcommute.com in order to be eligible for prizes and business discounts.

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