

# "Service Above Self"

# Muskego Rotary in Motion





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

April 12, 2018 12:00-1:30pm Muskegon Harbor Holiday Inn

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

Jane Clingman-Scott, Director Ed Hendrickson, Director Mark Meyers, Director Jason Piasecki, Director David Manley, RIM Reporter Bill Johanson, 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?



# (4/12) "Mental Health" MI Lt. Governor Brian Calley

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**

**Dakota Crow** 

#### **INVOCATOR - REFLECTOR**

Jim Rausch

### THIS WEEK'S MENU

Lasagna; salad bar w/6 toppings, 3 dressings; garlic bread; steamed broccoli; desserts

#### **NEXT WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS**

Erin Kuhn Apr 13 Camille Jourden-Mark Apr 18 Michael Poulin Apr 18

#### **STUDENT GUESTS**

Montague Wildcats

#### FUTURE PROGRAMS/EVENTS

04/09 Grape Escape Committee 5:30pm 04/19 Meet @ Lake House, not Holiday Inn

04/19 Baker Rotaract

04/19 New Member Get Together

04/26 CUP - Health Emp Counseling

05/03 Begin Lake House for 6 months

05/03 Law Day Speeches

05/10 Greater Muskegon Women's Club

05/17 Meet @ Holiday Inn, not Lake House

05/17 No. Initiatives Dev. Financing

05/24 Frauenthal Center Update

05/31 Rotaract/Interact Annual Report

05/31 Community Mixer-Mona Lake Park

06/07 Economic Case for Justice Reform

06/14 Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant

06/21 El Salvador/Honduras Report

06/28 Passing of the Gavel - Cathy to Kathy club and community, Helen!

## **Future Builders**

Off to El Salvador on a house building mission – last Saturday thru April 10 – are these 12 local Interactors, three chaperones, and one District 6290 executive posing with the group.

**Back Row: District Interact Chair Doug** Mealey, Riley Tuttle, Emily Mann, Sydney Fetters, Ava Bentley, Autumn Skantz, Garrett Poulin, Bella Lindsey, Esther Ricco, and John Noling. Front Row: Haley Knight, Erica

Pletcher, Ellie Zuidema, Anneka Lindsey,



Tommy Shawl, and Brady Bowen.

## March Rotaractor of the Month Helen Lim

Helen Lim is a first-year member of the Rotaract Club of Baker College of Muskegon. She is

**HELEN LIM** 

majoring in Occupational Therapy Assistant. In March. Helen volunteered to make sack suppers at Kids' Food Basket and at our Trivia Competition with Rotary. Her favorite cause is

is volunteering for Special Olympics.

Thanks for everything you do for the

# 1:1 Paul Harris Match

Past District Governor Al Bonney is promoting the District 6290 Foundation, its programs and



activities. Here's a related item he's an expert about: For a limited time only, April 1, 2018 through May 15, 2018, on a first-comefirst-served 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.)

Al would be happy to take questions. Contact him: 231-223-4064 or rotaryal6290@gmail.com.

# This Week On Stage

Untreated mental illness is a barrier to people becoming involved in their communities. Lt Gov Brian Calley has chaired the Mental Health and Wellness Commission, which offered 60 recommendations to help Michiganders living with mental health issues achieve greater quality of life, safety, and independence. The lieutenant governor continues to champion the implementation of these recommendations, which included the launch of enhanced 9-1-1 services across the state in 2016.

Lt Gov Calley also chairs the Mental Health Diversion Council, which focuses on helping people with mental illnesses receive treatment and avoid incarceration. Since 2013, the council has worked to reduce the entry rate of people with mental health obstacles or disabilities into the corrections system while maintaining public safety. The council has also expanded its scope to include a focus on juvenile justice. In 2016, due to Calley's persistent advocacy, the council celebrated the enactment of Kevin's Law, making assisted outpatient mental health treatment more accessible in Michigan.

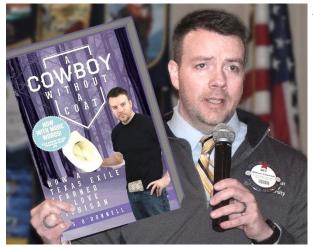
Michigan's Loss to Villanova a Big Benefit to Camille and that shiny new Paul Harris Fellowship for her resume.

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The next Grape Escape Committee meeting will be Monday, April 9 5:30pm at the Holiday Inn.
All are welcome!

The Club's newest member, **Trenton Hancock**, **above and right**, was
introduced by his sponsor **Dan Wheat**and inducted by Acting President **Kathy Moore**, right. When Trent was in high
school, **Susan Meston**, above, was
school superintendent, leading up to this
brief reunion at meeting's end.

# Four Prospective Members Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Five Star Realty's Lisa Metzdorf (Mary Anne Gorman); Choice One Bank VP Regional Manager Trent Hancock (Dan Wheat); West Michigan Symphony Exec Director Andy Buelow (Tom Shaub); and Vino Palazzolo owner Brian Palazzolo (J Griffith, AJ Henderson).

As reported in a recent letter to RIM's mailing list, Wes O'Donnell's new book, A Cowboy Without a Coat, was released around-the-country last week and Rotary got an early taste of this comedy about Michigan from a former Texan. Barnes & Noble, Amazon and others have copies just waiting for pick-up. Wes's other big news is he's joining the RIM Committee where

he'll be able to keep in practice for that next book.



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Note: We will meet at the Lake House on April 19... not this Thursday, mind you... the following Thursday, April 19

# **Last Week's Program Nigeria, Polio, and Doing Good in The World**

#### **By RIM Reporter David Manley**

Assistant District Governor **Susan Crain** introduced Past District
Governor Al Bonney, below, with

great honor for his long-time commitment and leadership in Rotary and service to the world over the last 20+ years. Al Bonney has had a longtime global outlook over the years through his experience working for 13 different Marriot hotel locations all over the world. Not only has

he been well-traveled, he is also a boat builder, banjo player, and lover of art. Alongside his wife and children, they have made it part of their purpose to live, learn and help others, and eliminating poliomyelitis (polio) from our planet has become a passion and point of service that turns into traveling to foreign countries in order to help solve the long-running issue that some countries still have... existing needs that require hands-on attention.

PDG Al shared the 2017 National Immunization Day (NID) that took place in Nigeria. We were given an insider's view of problems that still hinder the polio eradication process and the many moving parts involved in getting a NID into action. Al made an effort to explain some elements of polio that may not be known to us, such as, polio is a virus that can only use humans as hosts, meaning animals cannot spread the virus. The polio virus only "paralyzes" 1 in 100 statistically, and many people are carriers who may only experience

flu-like symptoms, meanwhile spreading the virus many times unknowingly. One can see how this can be an issue and area of concern for containment.

Over the years, Rotary International along with the World Health Organization, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, The

> C.D.C, and U.N.I.C.E.F have worked together to make the world a polio-free planet. Over the last 10 vears working together, over 10 Billion

children have been vaccinated which means over 16 Million children are alive and walking who would likely not have been were it not for efforts of NID in various countries around the world. Rotary International's goal this year is to raise \$50 Million which is matched by other organizations, all in effort to help eradicate the world of polio. That breaks down to about \$1,500 per Rotary Club worldwide.

Al shared stories about his recent trip to Nigeria with a team of





12. He explained how they were split into groups of two assisted by armed 1 guards the entire time along with medical staff and helpers. They wasted no time dosing the vaccines and handing out bed nets to help prevent insects from transmitting Malaria and other diseases. They worked in 100degree heat throughout the trip and had to keep the vaccines below a temperature of 40 degrees or the vaccine would be damaged or destroyed. The stories that Al shared just bring to life how big an operation it is to deliver these vaccines to the people. A country



must be free of any new cases of polio in order to be considered free and not a threat. Unfortunately, some countries and their religious militants reject any and all Western assistance and make it difficult to help those under certain regimes of authority.

All of these challenges showcase opportunities to help somehow, some way. The group took a tour of the facility where a survivor of polio started making wheelchairs in 2008 and since then has produced

and given away over 17,000 wheelchairs to polio victims who desperately need transportation in order to survive, have ways of working and remain independent. Many who have been affected by polio are literally crawling down the streets in order to get around and make do. The reality of polio and how it affects communities around the world is truly heartbreaking yet full of some hope. Almost poliofree isn't good enough and there has been enough success thus far to see a polio-free world as possible is not a faraway reality, it's an in-our-lifetime reality. Join the movement, Al beckoned us, and inspire others to keep doing good in the world!

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#### <u>NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS –</u> PRESIDENT

President-Elect Kathy Moore kept us on time and in good form, while President Cathy Brubaker-Clarke is away with family on vacation. Our First order of business was welcoming the newest member of our Club, Trent Hancock, via the graceful and perfectly timed introduction by Dan Wheat, below.



Special Acknowledgement - President-Elect Kathy made a special note of appreciation to Susan and Orville Crain for their District level leadership in Rotary. Many times, we might've overlooked the high level of commitment and service that they have consistently provided over the years, because we see them so often. It's worth noting and paying tribute to the level of service and effort they deliver as



**ASST DISTRICT GOV SUSAN CRAIN** 

a lifestyle. Hopefully we will all take advantage of having them so accessible to us, especially for those who have aspirations of getting involved the way they have and continue to.

Moving along, Kathy gave the floor to the grandest of all the Fine Masters, our very own **Kevin Donovan**. He tactfully raised



**OUR FINEMEISTER KEVIN AT WORK** 

funds for our Club by reminding members to always turn their phones off or on vibrate while meetings are in progress. The number of fines handed out were generously paid for by **Susan** and **Orville Crain** whom were amongst the guilty.

Lastly, **President-Elect Kathy** took the time to acknowledge our Club's newest author, **Wes O'Donnell**, and gave him the opportunity to share with us his new book "A Cowboy Without a Coat: How a Texas Exile Learned to Love Michigan". Wes also shared that for each book sold, he is donating a meal to a local nonprofit, The Kids' Food Basket. You can

purchase this book online via Amazon or at any Barnes and Noble location.

### NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND TOO MANY OTHERS TO EASILY LIST HERE

Social Committee – **JD Wallace Sr** reported that the next after-hours event will be bowling at the Eagles Club downtown on Thursday, April 26, from 5 to 8 PM. There will be room for 40 to bowl and 40 to watch. This should be fun and silly. The social committee is trying to have a variety of activities.



meeting THIS MONDAY, APRIL 9, 5;30pm at the Holiday Inn – all are welcome. **Diane Van Epps, above right,** also shared the need for wine donations from members. If there are any willing participants, contact Diane or Marty or simply bring your wine donations to the next meeting for *Grape Escape* in September.

Committee

Community Grants Committee- Josh Wallace announced the winner of the Brave Rotarians March Madness Tournament is Camille Jourden-Mark. Two additional winners from the losers' bucket will be drawn this week. For those who have not paid their \$100 dues for involvement, please contact or bring your dues to Nancy Crandall.