



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**



July 25, 2017

Attendees of the July 24 meeting were enthusiastically greeted by Gary **Deschenes**. **Marty** happily took everyone's money for lunch while **Tod Jaggi** collected for the 50/50. How exciting (at least for her) that President **Laura** won both the 50/50 and the sidepot! Thank you to **Dave Cash** and **Halyna** for leading us in the pledge and invocation. **Janet** introduced the visitors and guests; David DeLano (just checking us out), Maiga Friess, and Sam Kennedy our speaker.

Announcements:

*Please **review the directory** that **Ron** is passing around to ensure we have all the latest and greatest info on you. Thank you!!!

***Still Needed:**

An organizer for 12 Random Acts of Kindness
An organizer for the Christmas Parade

Tree Planting plans with Livonia AM club moving forward

The passing of **RI PE Sam Owori** (see last week's newsletter for more info)

Birthdays will be celebrated next week for July 2017 and everyone who was not celebrated in the last year!!!

Thanks go to **Art** for stepping in as a sergeant. Many of us were happy 😊
Laura for winning the 50/50 & sidepot, **Dave S.** for his two weeks in Germany, **Dale** for fishing, **Holli, Dave C.** and more!!!

The speaker this week was Sam Kennedy, a member of the Plymouth AM club for 35 years and PP. Sam went to Nigeria for a polio immunization day. He came to speak on "The most dangerous job in the world" He showed a video on the USS Carl Vinson, one of 10 U.S.nuclear aircraft carriers. He spent several days on the carrier learning all about it. The video showed the skill, expertise and perils of the work. Interesting fact was that every job had a different color T-shirt. So it was very identifiable who was to do what.

The crew is mostly in their 20's, the pilots in their 20's and 30's. Sam spoke very highly of their team spirit and extreme competence.



An interesting footnote:

Our speaker Sam and Dave S. were chatting afterwards and learned that Sam knew the Protestant Chaplain on the USS Carl Vinson, and Dave installed that Lutheran chaplain, Rev. Charles Varsogea, in San Diego as Chaplain on that aircraft carrier.

The meeting closed with a rousing rendition of our national anthem led by Dave S.

Have you paid your dues? Enough said.

Thinking of DECEMBER... The Livonia Tree lighting, library program and parade will be on Sunday, December 3. Do we still want to participate? In order to be in the parade, someone needs to step up and say they will coordinate it. It could be a great opportunity to promote ourselves. Let Laura know if you're the one!

Fuel Up Livonia

Volunteers are still needed for the last few weeks of the summer. Please follow this link to register.

https://liveunitedsem.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=269866

On Tuesday, the kids made maracas and tambourines to use with the songs they wrote on Monday. This is one of the songs:

All Eggs

Eggs are good for your legs
And your bones will be stronger
Your arms will live longer
Nothing can go wrong
As long as your body is healthy
As long as your body is wealthy
As long as your body is strong



And the Survey said..... Thanks everyone for completing the survey. Results are below. Numbers in front of answers indicate that number of people gave a similar answer.

What is your favorite thing about your Rotary Club?

- 2 - Variety service projects
- 10 - Fellowship
- 6 - Helping the Community
- 3 - Friendships
- 1 - Singing
- 2 - Members
- 1 - Good Speakers
- 1 - Volunteers
- 1 - Balance between meetings/Service/Fellowship

What Speakers/Subjects would you like to hear about this year?

- 6 - Rotary Projects/subjects
- 5 - Business and Service organizations in Livonia
- 2 - Not business selling their services
- 2 - Dennis Wright

2 – Fire Chief
 2 – Police Chief
 2 – Informative Speakers
 Club members professions and passions
 Livonia Civic Chorus
 Archbishop Allen Vigneron
 Rousch
 Amazon
 Historic
 Neil Myres Forensic Polygraph
 Organizations that serve people
 Economic issues
 Education
 Estate Planning
 Computer lab on Rotary access
 Current health issues/strategies for health
 Supt. Schools
 Global Warming
 Economic Development in Livonia
 Workforce demand areas/opportunities
 Community Assistance Resources for families & elderly to include social,
 mental health services etc.
 Wayne County Commissioners

Additional Previously identified speaker ideas

Lisa Senac
 Healthy Living
 Metro Y
 Hypnotist
 Laura speaks on RI
 convention - Atlanta
 Slow Roll Detroit
 global scholar
 Peace scholar
 St. Mary Mercy - upcoming
 scary diseases

What Fellowship activities would you like to do this year?

3 – Ball game
 3 – Same as last year
 3 – Steak and lobster
 2 – Happy Hours
 Anything other than plays and dinners
 2 – Plays and dinners
 Tipping Point
 Family Related – 2 - Bowling
 Trenton Taste Fest
 Comedy Club
 3 – Escape Room
 Glo Golf
 Feather bowling
 Hiram Walker Distillery
 Casino Night
 2 - Euchre
 Visit other clubs
 Hockey Game

2 - Participate as a group in other club events ie Seedlings bowlathon or Rotary fundraisers

What Service projects would you like to do this year?

4 – Food Packaging
Habitat for Humanity
Working with youth and seniors
Helping within our community
2 – Tutoring
2 – Drinking fountain Rotary Park
Things with Kids
Same as last year
Raking
Random Acts of Kindness
Visit the elderly
Forgotton Harvest
Kids against hunger
Playscape

How would you like club communications to come to you?

18 – Email
1 – Text
Written at weekly meetings
Bulletin
Calendar of events

What would you like to add/change etc to our club meetings, structure, etc?

2 – More committee structure
More information about Rotary International (did you know moments)
Add Singing
2 – No singing
Hello Song
5 – Start & End on Time (1 hour)
More discussion at tables
Be careful on changing location
More participation
Reduce # board members
Get involved with International
Good time
Hear from Board
Short Agenda

Invitations from other clubs:

- August 7 Golf Outing, Rotary Club of Dearborn \$175 ea, \$660 for 4
- August 19 The Big Luau Wedding, Hines Park PM Rotary, \$55 each/\$400 table of 8. Polynesian dancing & food.
- August 20 Celebration of Bob Allison, Rotary Club of Detroit. 3-6pm \$50 Piano Performance by Bob Allison at the Max Fisher Music Center light refreshments, cash bar

So far Laura, Bob and Betty are interested in this... we need one more to check off on the passport!

- September 23 Tour De Ville, Rotary Club of Northville, 10/34/53 mile bike ride. Post ride food, beer & music by the Shawn Riley Band

Meetings, Special Events, Fellowship, Service, and More!!

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| 7-31 | Regular Meeting at Laurel Manor/Athletika Sports |
| 8-7 | Regular Meeting at Laurel Manor/MI attorney General's Office |
| 8-14 | Regular Meeting at Laurel Manor/DG Rick Caron Tanzania Project |
| 9-13 | One Summit 5-9pm @ Schoolcraft College |
| 9-25 | Steak and Lobster |
| 10-2 | DG Golf Outing (no noon meeting) |
| 10-24 | World Polio Day |
| 10-28 | Kids Against Hunger |
| 11-13 | DG Rick Caron Visit |
| 5-3/6 | District Conference Grand Hotel Mckinac |

July Volunteers

Set Up	Mike Vokal
Cashier	Marty Talty
Greeter	Gary Deshenes
Pledge	Dave Cash
Song	Dave Stechholz
Invocation	Halyna Bialczyk
Visitors/Guests	Janet Haas
50/50	Will Lindley
Take Down	Denman Curry

August Volunteers

Bob Moore
Marty Talty
Austin Keathley
Halyna Bialczyk
Dave Stechholz
Janet Haas
Mike Vokal
Austin Keathley

**“Try to be a rainbow in
someone's cloud.”
Maya Angelou**