



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**



***November 13th, 2017***

***Official District Governor Visit***

**In the picture of Governor Rick Caron and our Livonia Rotarians is the beautiful quilt made by President Laura as a gift to him from our Club.**



Monday was a busy day for the **Rotary Club of Livonia**. It started with a Board meeting with District Governor Rick Caron. We had great discussions about our club's direction, the Hedke award, International Service, the goal of planting a tree for each Rotarian, and other **Going Boldly** initiatives.



**David DeLano** was inducted into our Club. His wife Wendy and sponsor **Halyna** were at his side as DG Rick inducted and welcomed him as our newest member.





**Three Rotarians were honored for their Paul Harris fellowships.**

**Halyna** received her first Paul Harris fellowship.

**Janet** received her Paul Harris plus-7.

**Conway** received his Paul Harris plus-2 (in absentia).



We still had time for some good-natured ribbing from our Sergeant-at-Arms **Barb**, with fines liberally dispensed. There were many happy bucks, as well. **Denman**, standing, is pictured joyfully collect the fines and happy bucks.



**Speaker DG Rick Caron** gave a very interesting and inspiring talk.

- He spoke specifically about our Club, citing several of our projects and initiatives and how our club helps build community.
- Even though the dedication of our new Rotary Park playscape will be after his term, he wants to be present for such an important event.
- He spoke about several education initiatives in Rotary, explaining that, world-wide, Rotary is the largest provider of scholarships.
- Rotary builds “networks” of people. Rick told a story of a Rotary club member who immigrated from Afghanistan. He went back because he could not use his medical degree in Canada. Rick’s Windsor, ON, club helped this man establish a cardiac care facility in Kabul which has become a center of excellence.
- In speaking about membership, Rick explained that we recruit new members easily, but have trouble retaining them. We need to help them learn about Rotary, but also allow them to grow and change and move our clubs in new and fascinating directions.



Lastly, DG Rick plugged the District Conference coming up at Mackinac Island. \$1,395 for two people, or \$1,175 for one, all (and he means ALL) expenses included. Consider joining President **Laura** and President-elect **Dave S.** at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island.

### **Announcements:**



Exciting news! **Marty** announced that our playscape project may now have a community build component. We will have up to 120 volunteers provided by our club, the AM club, the hospital, and Parks and Rec.



**Dave S.** passed around a sign-up sheet for the Christmas Parade. Info & sign up for hot chocolate & donuts to follow!

- ➔ **Bob M.** asked us all to start thinking about Christmas gifts for the boys at the Methodist Children's home. More specific info to follow.
- ➔ **Deanna** announced that the Christmas Lunch will be December 4<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet will be available next Monday.
- ➔ Consider putting a Rotary team together to bowl at the Blessings in a Backpack bowling fundraiser. The bowl-a-thon is November 18th. (details on bulletin board)
- ➔ District 6380 is putting together a Euchre tournament fundraiser. (details on bulletin board)
- ➔ Thanks **Dave Cash** for all the pics taken this week! He really helped spice up the newsletter!!

## **NEWS**

**Laura, Dave S., Dave C., and Halyna** attended the Membership and Foundation Dinner at the Caboto Club in Windsor. It was a **FANTASTIC** dinner and great to meet new and old friends from the District.







**Euchre** was a big hit Saturday night.

12 Players enjoyed Euchre, snacks and a few beverages. Prizes to 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & last places. We all decided we needed to do it again!



## **Invitations from other clubs & community:**

- Fresh Basket Thanksgiving Program
- 11-16 Euchre Tournament District 6380
- 11-18 Blessings in a Backpack Bowlathon
- 12-3 Holocaust Memorial Center, Ann Arbor & W. Bloomfield clubs

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

- 11/16-18 RYLA
- 11-20 Lisa Senac, Fuel Up Livonia & Healthy Living
- 11-27 Club Assembly & By Laws Amendment Vote
- 12-3 Christmas Parade and Tree lighting
- 12-4 Christmas Lunch
- 12-11 Meet at Franklin Patriot Inn
- 12-18
- 12-25 No Meeting Merry Christmas
- 1-1 No Meeting Happy New Year
- 3/15-17 PETS
- 4-14 District Assembly
- 5-3/6 District Conference Grand Hotel Mackinac
- 6/23-27 International Convention

### **Volunteers**

### **November**

### **December**

Set Up	Mike Vokal	Bob Moore
Cashier	Bob Moore	Holli Kerkhof
Greeter	Cam Cruickshank	Marty Talty
Pledge	Conrad Schwartz	Art Cole
Song	Dave Stechholz	4-way test
Invocation	Barb Lewis	Barb Lewis
Visitors/Guests	Dale Coller	Dale Coller
50/50	Dave Cash	<b>Can you help????</b>
Take Down	Dave Stechholz	<b>Can you help????</b>



Are you looking for ways to support the **Livonia Rotary Charitable Foundation?**

Did you know that you can designate the **Livonia Rotary Charitable Foundation** to receive a donation from Amazon every time you shop?

The next time you want to shop on Amazon, type **Amazonsmile** in your search bar instead and you will be taken to **Amazonsmile.com** where you will be given the opportunity to choose your favorite charity (Livonia Rotary Charitable Foundation) to receive 0.5% of your total purchase as a donation. It is that easy to donate to our foundation.

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**Even  
After  
All this time  
The Sun never says  
To the Earth  
"You owe me".  
Look  
What happens  
With a love like that.  
It lights the  
Whole  
Sky.**