



# Kalamazoo Rotary News



Monday, October 4 & 11, 2004

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## Upcoming Programs:

October 25, 2004                    **Gayland Tennis – 6360 District Governor**

November 1, 2004                **Bronco Basketball, 2004-05 Season**  
Steve Hawkins, Basketball Coach at WMU

November 8, 2004                **State of the County**  
Deb Buchholtz-Hiemstra

## Rotary Monday, 10/04/04:

President **Tim** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance; Invocation by **Don Rice** – Not the profession that you do, but how you do your job. WKZO's **Robert Ford** shared the news of the day.

## Visiting Rotarians:

**Jack Webster** - Richland; **Jerry Cohen** – Gull Lake; **Roxanne Cashen** – Gull Lake

## Guests:

Jeff Fink introduced by **Bob Kent**; Dave Hutton introduced by **Gayle West-Webster**; Sandy K. Derby introduced by **Robert Coleman**; Jill Flipse introduced **Amy Remmert**; Dr. James Melliush introduced by **Jim Kilway**; Bill Huzinga introduced by **Lorence Wenke**

## Songs:

**Tim Kilmartin** and **John Fink** led us in song; “Red River Valley” and “Farewell to Summer”.

## New Member:

**Bob Kent** introduced our newest member, **Jeff Fink**, Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for Kalamazoo County, where he has worked for the last 24 years. He is a product of Portage Public Schools and WMU; married with a 20 year old daughter attending WMU.

## Announcements:

- Amy Kronen** and **Anne Elias** announced the blood drive is Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 3 pm. It will count for a make-up and allow 1-1/2 hours.
- PP Rick Briscoe**, of the Nominating Committee, requests suggestions for new board members.
- Fireside chat is scheduled for November 4, at the Park Club, 7:00 pm.
- Rachel Packer** requested hosts for upcoming Russian visitors.
- Nancy Thompson** announced the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Kalamazoo Rotary Golf Outing is October 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 – 5:00 pm.

### Happy Bucks:

**Jerry Meinzinger** – for no WMU team losing last weekend; **Karl Sandelin** – sold the last raffle ticket; **Joe Gagie** – Loy Norrix conference golf champions; **Vickie Langkam** – volunteers for the WMUK Fund Drive; **Amy Remmert** – dancing at Wayside West with Russian visitors

### Rotary Program:

**Janet Pisaneschi** introduced **Sandra Glista**, Master Clinical Faculty Specialist; Department of Speech Pathology & Audiology at WMU. Informed about the disease of Aphasia and how to deal with people who have it. At the Charles Can Piper Language, Speech and Hearing Clinic, they measure and improve the quality of life for people who have Aphasia.

### Rotary Monday, October 11, 2004:

**President Tim** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. **Gordon Duisterhof** gave the invocation. WKZO's Robert Ford shared the news of the day.

### Visiting Rotarians:

**David Becker**, Portage; **Paul Shuber**, Three Rivers; **Chris Haenicke**, Oshtemo; **Dick Weaver**, Santa Fe Springs; **Steve Hill**

### Guests:

**Angie Bell**, introduced by Tim Kilmartin; **Sabrina Onge and Judith Hegedusch**, introduced by Jennifer Lang; **Todd Bruner**, introduced by Sandy Bliesener; **Sherreta Edwards and Linda McDonald**, introduced by Thell Woods

### Songs:

**Tim Kilmartin** and **John Dillworth** led us in "Downtown – Kalamazoo Version" and "The Notre Dame Fight Song".

### Announcements:

- World Community Service Committee will meet after the meeting.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Big Hole Rotary Golf Tournament is this Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The Rotary Blood Drive is this Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Wear your Rotary pin the month of October.
- Rotarians in the news; **Timothy Light** and **Mayor Robert Jones**.

### Happy Bucks:

**Thell Woods** for Isaac; **Timothy Light**; **D. Terry Williams** for the "Metamorphosis Triumph"; **Jennifer Lang**, first birthday; **Don Hartlieb** for Grand Valley football win; **Brian Kaufman** for Lions win; **Bill Woods** for "Metamorphosis"; **Rick Briscoe** for the fun of being Past President; **Tim Kilmartin**; **Sean McCann** for the replacement of the Downtowner Motel; **D. Terry Williams** for the season sponsors.

### Rotary Program:

**Anne Elias** introduced **Ken Miller**, CEO of the Millenium Restaurant Group. Ken is an unabashed Downtown Kalamazoo Supporter, who is most visible thru the Millenium Group.

Ken has been a part of close to 35 “For Profit” companies, which two (2) have gone public. Ken lives by “Success is not permanent and failure is not fatal”. Kalamazoo is a microcosm of the innovation where Kalamazoo is at the beginning of a renaissance with many ventures going against the advice of professionals. “Success goes in baby steps, but failure goes in leaps and bounds”.

Since locating his restaurants downtown and as more restaurants have moved downtown his business has improved every year. Bringing more major arts, cultural and entertainment downtown fits within the new urban format.

Kalamazoo has a 4-5 year plan and there isn’t time to work out all the details. Go ahead and pull the trigger, then adapt and adjust.

Vision without action is meaningless – needs community support.

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MAKE-UP LIST

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