

win; **PHIL CARTER** – to thank the Chamber of Commerce for the Leadership Kalamazoo program and for 32 new community members he’s had an opportunity to meet – plus **JUDY MOORE’S** 18 years of leading that program.

Rotary Program:

JOHN HINKLE introduced **PHIL CARTER**, the Executive Director of the YMCA, who came here from Tacoma, Washington in 2001. Phil served as the captain of Notre Dame’s football team twice in the early ‘80s, and he went on to play profes

After demonstrating and having Rotarians try an easy stress-buster exercise, Phil shared that the recognition of the “Y” is ve
“Y” has touched Americans in some way, and in this regard, he shared some little-known or forgotten facts about the “Y.”
camping programs; invented basketball and volleyball; offered the world’s first indoor pool and swimming lessons; and star
Corps was patterned after a YMCA program.

The Maple Street YMCA was built in 1970, and the Portage branch opened in 1991, followed by the Lincoln branch at Lin
YMCA has over 9,000 members served in 11 different locations, of which Maple, Portage and Lincoln are primary. They p
through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. The guiding values are respect, responsibility, honesty and

There have been many changes over the years. Women are now allowed as members, and the “Y” has recognized changes i
dynamics. But Phil noted that the greatest challenges are still ahead, as families are more fractured, cutbacks have occurred.
address these challenges, Phil shared that the YMCA’s board leadership team is undertaking a listening project to define the
for an individual belonging to or supporting the YMCA. He asked that Rotarians read and complete a survey he’d put on th
direction for years to come, and he closed with a reminder of the YMCA’s focus: “We build strong kids, strong families and

Rotary Monday, September 22, 2003:

Pres. **RICK BRISCOE** opened the meeting, and **CECIL KERR** shared his thanks for long-awaited rain
and his enjoyment of it last evening at his cottage at Lake Michigan. His prayer reminded us to take a
walk and breathe deeply of the air...a good reminder of the beauty all around us. Robert Ford of WKZO
shared the news, and – by a Rotary vote – shared the short (rather than the long) joke of the day. Pres.
RICK welcomed back **P.P. NANCY OWEN**.

Visiting Rotarians:

Joe Debiak (Vicksburg); **Dick Weaver** (Santa Fe Springs, CA); **Mark Mitchell** (St. Joe/Benton Harbor)

Guests:

JOE BROGGER II – Mary Jo Asmus; **GAYLE WEST-WEBSTER** – Jeremiah Mastny; **P.D.G. KARL
SANDELIN** – Rob Peterson; **ED SACKLEY** – Liz Garey and Lisa Campbell; **SUSAN ARNOLD** –
Sandy Mulder

Songs:

With guest pianist Sandy Mulder at the piano and **SUSAN ARNOLD** at the microphone, **JERRY
ALBERTSON** led Rotarians in “America the Beautiful” and “Kalamazoo, Hail Thee.”

Announcements:

Pres. **RICK** announced the following: Pres.-Elect **TIM BROWN** will have tickets for the Rotary
International raffle next week, priced at \$20 each. For those desiring to learn more about Rotary, the third
annual informational meeting will be held at McCamly Plaza on Saturday, November 8, from 8:30 to
1:30. The annual District 6360 dinner meeting will be held on October 21 at Win Schuler’s. **GORDON
DUISTERHOF** had surgery last week on both knees and is at Vicksburg in rehab, expecting to be home
on Wednesday. **BOB KENT** shared that about 60 Rotarians have not yet paid their dues and asked that
this be done soon.

Happy Bucks:

Pres. **RICK** started to announce a happy buck on behalf of **CAROLINE HAM**, when **CAROLINE**
herself stood to thank what Pres. **RICK** referred to as a “well-respected local publication” that did a great
job on a story about her. Pres. **RICK** noted that Encore didn’t begin to do justice to **CAROLINE** and
that she WAS wearing her pin. **CAROLINE** indicated that she would have given happy bucks, but it has
cost her so much to send the articles to her kids. Pres. **RICK** also acknowledged a touching story of

Rotarian **KEITH MUMMA**'s daughter's adoption, at which point **KEITH** noted that although his Rotary pin wasn't showing up in the picture, he had been THINKING about the pin...and he offered a happy buck to get Rotarians thinking about a Rotary trip to Haiti. Pres. **RICK** then commented about a picture he'd received of a 74-year-old fellow Rotarian who had run in the Kalamazoo Klassic this summer and asked if **KARL SANDELIN** had anything to say, to which **KARL** responded that he was speechless.

Other happy bucks:

P.P. NANCY OWEN – thanks for cards, which she deeply appreciated, and also for MSU's win on Saturday; **P.P. PAT NORRIS** – to invite everyone to the Kalamazoo Valley Museum Saturday nights, when it will be open until 9:00, and also for the University of Oregon's win; **DAN HARTLIEB** – for Grand Valley's win again; **ED SACKLEY** – he was in Nicaragua and has missed lost of Rotary meetings, but he gave thanks for being able to shake hands last week with the United States' Commander-in-Chief; **RON REID** – for the Sprinkle Road opening; **CHUCK VANZOEREN** – he is apparently not the only one promoting "America the Beautiful" as our next anthem; **HENRY HOLLAND** – for the Sprinkle Road opening, and also for becoming a grandfather for the first time (to a little boy); **DICK FLUKE** – in honor of Penny and Pres. **RICK BRISCOE**, who hosted dinner and an evening at the Civic Theater last week. He said that "The Buddy Holly Story" was well done and urged Rotarians to get tickets (echoed by Pres. **RICK**); **AL HEILMAN** – he attended a chocolate meeting in Las Vegas, and has a dollar left to give; **MARK PAWLOWSKI** – for those who have students in grad school or law school, there should be consideration to draw on the Happy Bucks bank; **P.P. GEORGE LENNON** – he has one buck because today is not last Saturday.

Rotary Program:

Asked to comment on the Washington scene, **Congressman Fred Upton** noted that he had most recently dealt with four days of power has now been restored. He was recently made an honorary Rotarian and gave thanks for this. As an introduction to the program, he gave a brief background of the Council for World-Class Communities (CWCC), noting that it was formed three years ago. In the wake of a problem this past summer, the community was able to move forward more quickly due to programs in place and the good work of Mark Mitchell.

Mark Mitchell, the CWCC President and Executive Director, said that the CWCC, which represents seven communities, tries to address a "class" issue rather than a "black / white" issue. It came about through the recognition that there were some pervasive issues that were not being addressed alone. The CWCC vision is "To create a set of interdependent, world-class communities where diversity and inclusion are the driving force behind." To this end, the CWCC has undertaken a variety of activities. It has held a series of community leadership luncheons and workshops; done outreach to area faith leaders, congregations and local lawmakers; given kids some tools they need to be successful; created a community calendar; led pilgrimages to visit historic civil rights sites and meet real-life heroes; and conducted a variety of programs for literacy, homeownership and other needs. Above all, the CWCC is striving to build environments of trust, where diversity v

KALAMAZOO ROTARY CLUB

MAKE-UP LIST

September 22, 2003

<u>BOARD MEETING:</u>	Rex Bell, Rick Briscoe, Jill Eldred, Blake Hart, Henry Holland, Glen Kellam, Bob Kent, Vickie Langkam, Mary McCormick, Rachel Packer, Keith Roe, Johnny Thompkins
<u>DISTRICT FINANCE:</u>	Karl Sandelin
<u>EDITARIAN:</u>	Deb Chope
<u>GALESBURG, MI:</u>	Joe Herdus
<u>GULL LAKE AREA, MI:</u>	Bob Britigan
<u>KAL. SUNRISE:</u>	Don Gilmer
<u>OSHTEMO, MI:</u>	Dave Boutell, Don Flesche, Amy Krone, Greg McLogan, Greta Williams
<u>PARCHMENT, MI:</u>	Lloyd Hanton, Mary McLean
<u>PLAINWELL, MI:</u>	Thurman Bryant, Bill Rose, Karl Sandelin
<u>PORTAGE A.M., MI:</u>	Lloyd Hanton
<u>PORTAGE, MI:</u>	Jean Forrest, Jennifer Lang, Greg McLogan, Bill Rose, Carl Walker, Bill Wieringa
<u>SUTTONS BAY, MI:</u>	Carl Walker (2)
<u>TRAVERSE CITY, MI:</u>	Carl Walker (2)
<u>??:</u>	Lloyd Hanton

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