



Kalamazoo Rotary News



Monday, 17 November 2003

Edited by Bob O'Boyle

Upcoming Programs:

- Nov. 24** **Community Growing Projects**
Norm Brasick (Food Resource Bank)
Remember this is the soup lunch.
Proceeds from which will go to the Hunger Plus Program.
- Dec. 1** **WMU Holiday Music Program**
D. Terry Williams
- Dec. 8** **Holiday Service Providers**
Ministry with Community
Salvation Army (Lloyd Hanton)
Loaves and Fishes (Anne Lipsey)
- Dec. 15** **Only in America, Only in Kalamazoo**
Ed Bernard

Rotary Monday, November 10, 2003

President Briscoe started the meeting a little early to accommodate a busy agenda. **Jim Amos** gave a thoughtful invocation after the singing of the National Anthem and Robert Ford of WKZO read the news.

Visiting Rotarians:

Glen Kellum of Portage, Betty Lee Ongley also of Portage, and PDG Bill Dimond of Kalamazoo Sunrise were in attendance as welcome Rotary peers.

Guests:

Duwain Hunt introduced Don Dillon III, **Glen Kellam** introduced Brian Kaufman, **Rachel Packer** introduced Nancy Kiesling, Trecia Newmarch was a guest of **Ed Sackley**, **Wes Freeland** introduced Dr. Ken Kirtin and Dr. Paul Olexia. Eric Adalbert was a guest of **Leo Swiat**, **Craig Misner** introduced two guests, Lynne Cowart and Garrett Boersma.

Songs:

Our Maestro **Jerry Albertson** deferred the music to **Duwain Hunt** who in turn called on Peter Pan from Never Never Land to lead us through "I wont grow up" from the Peter Pan musical. "Peter" who even called on "**Timmie**" **Kilmartin** to demonstrate how to crow. Great fun and the show at the civic should be wonderful.

Announcements:

President Briscoe congratulated Mayor **Jones** recognition by the local chapter of the NAACP. Additionally he congratulated **Sean McCann** and **Bob Jones** for their successful campaign for reelection to the city commission.

Al Heilman was singled out for his eight years of dedicated service on the commission. He also congratulated **Pat Di Giovanni** for his success in the District 6360 raffle.

There is a Fireside meeting 7-8:30 P.M., November 18 at the Park Club. Spouses and previous Fireside attendees are welcome to attend along with recent and new members. Call or e-mail **President Rick** or **Past President Nancy**.

Barbara Walters thanked all who contributed to the Casa Amparo Christmas effort. She also reported that there will be another work effort there in January.

Jim Holtgreive announced a meeting of the Salvation Army Bell Ringers and notified Rotarians that those efforts will be announced soon.

Happy Bucks and etcetera;

President Rick took advantage of executive privilege to fine **Mary McClaine, Bob Jones, Sharon Carlson** and Albert Einstein, aka **John Long** for appearing in a certain local periodical.

D. Terry Williams paid for the privilege of giving us news of the art community and it's current offerings.

Mark Pawlowski paid to advise the gathering of the Planned Parenthood auction.

Robert Jones contributed for the new city commission and for the eight years that **Al Heilman** served the city on the commission.

Dan Hartlieb celebrated football victories by Grand Valley and WMU.

Al Heilman contributed for a book written by the son of Rotarian **Dean Lewis**. **Al** said he will read the book to **Dean**.

Kellie Cody Jr. was proud of the election of Mayor **Jones**, the Lions, WMU women's NCAA soccer berth.

St. Augustine students raked leaves at the Hospitality House and for that **Jean Forrest** paid a happy \$.

Keith Roe paid for the support of the Ready to Read program. Two Rotarians, **Greta Williams** and **Bob Squire** have volunteered.

Tim Kilmartin offered to fill in \$'s and cultural events for **Terry Williams** as he paid for Peter Pan at the Civic. He also introduced "Peter Pan" Micka Slodke.

Dan Litynski remembered Veterans Day with his contribution to Rotary Charities.

Past President **Jerry Meinzing** wanted Rotarians to celebrate the WMU football and soccer teams.

Rotary Program:

Henry Holland introduced speaker Helen Taylor, State Director of the Michigan Chapter of The Nature Conservancy. As part of the largest nature organization in the U.S. (30,000 members, 76,000 acres), Ms. Taylor indicated that the organization is science based, non-confrontational, and market driven whose product is conservation of our natural resources and health. She indicated that land use is the #1 issue in Michigan. When questioned she indicated that Rotarians could assist the Conservancy through \$'s, sweat equity and volunteering.

Rotary Monday, November 17, 2003:

Rotary Monday started with a decent rendition of the National Anthem and an invocation by **Bob Huiskamp**. Robert Ford of WKZO read the news and sucked us into his tale regarding the helpless Lions

Visiting Rotarians:

Benton Harbor was represented by Bob Kanitz

Guests:

Richard Hodgman introduced Jim Kilway and **Glen Kellam** introduced Brian Kaufman. In addition **Eric Dewey** introduced several staff members of the GKUW: Denise Hatsough, Suprotik Sotz Ghosh, Rona Cunningham and Chris Riker.

Songs:

The **Jerry (Albertson) and John (Dillworth)** show was spectacular today! First **Jerry** gave President **Briscoe** the opportunity to sing the CMU fight song and when he (fortunately) didn't bite, **Jerry** led the assembled Rotarians through the WMU fight song. The real surprise was a "slight variation" of a 1970's hit "Just Call My Name" (United Way). The Rotary Concert Choir was well above average on the rendition. Thanks for the fellowship guys.

Announcements:

Jim Holtgreive announced that the annual Salvation Army Bell ringing will take place December 17 & 18. Sign up sheets are available. Contact **Jim, Dick Fluke or Doug Vernon** for questions or commitments.

Happy Bucks and etcetera:

Saul Amdursky gave ten happy bucks for the great participation in the Grrreat Grrrown up Spelling Bee. **Greta Williams and Bob Squire** gave a good accounting of themselves and according to **Tim Brown**, The Ready to Read Program benefited greatly from the event. **Keith Roe** seconded the success of the event.

Judy Jolliffe gave the Arts and Culture events report thus saving **D. Terry Williams** an uncertain number of dollars.

The Marrietta College update was ported by Past President **Jack Hopkins**. The football team lost their last game but now own their field.

Kellie Cody paid for kudos he showered on the WMU athletic teams.

Thell Woods thought the Chamber Role Call meeting was the best ever.

Blake Hart mentioned that USC won.

The opening of the new north side grocery store was applauded by **Ed Sackley**. He also paid for the Rotary support of the Nicaragua Housing Project.

Ann Hannon gave happy \$'s for the success of the recent Ellis Island concert of the KSO.

Wayne Kruger paid for the establishment of Aerospace merit badge at the Air Zoo.

Henry Holland paid for a great trip to England to see his grandson and for the Kalamazoo Christian Schools 125th anniversary.

Stacy Ridenour paid a musical buck for the great collaboration of WMU Miller Auditorium and the Gazette with the KSO in the success of the Ellis Island concert.

George Lennon paid a \$ in thanks that OSU only come to U of M every two years.

Apparently the contributors didn't submit enough happy bucks so President **Briscoe** ordered a pin check.

Rotary Program:

Bob Straits introduced **Eric Dewey** president and CEO of the Greater Kalamazoo United Way. Since coming to Kalamazoo in 1996 **Eric** has directed goals that have gone from six million to nine million dollars. Having just completed this year's campaign **Eric** did not have figures to share on the success of the campaign but he did share the vision, mission and values of this nationally recognized organization. Through a video and a power point presentation, **Eric** presented a strong case why the GKUW is so successful.

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November 17, 2003

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The End