



Kalamazoo Rotary News



Monday, September 19 and 26, 2005

Edited by Jeanne McGeorge and Matt Tiller

Upcoming Programs:

- October 10, 2005 **“Chihuly in Kalamazoo”** Jim Bridenstine - **MEET AT KIA**
- October 17, 2005 **“How Would YOU Like to Take Michigan’s MEAP Test?”** Larry Schlack
- October 24, 2005 **“Phantom of the Opera”** Bruce Granath, Marketing Director, Clear Channel Entertainment

Rotary Monday, September 19, 2005:

President RANDY EBERTS called the meeting to order and MARK RUTENBAR delivered the invocation calling for all to unite in bonds of love for the challenges of natural disasters and the Middle East. No news coverage today but D.TERRY WILLIAMS kept us up to date on the art news including the BIG STORY of the KIA’s Chihuly exhibit.

Visiting Rotarians:

GREG McLOGAN introduced visiting Rotarians MERV SHERWOOD of the Lakeland Club and DAVID BECKER of the Portage Club.

Guests:

Rotarians introduced their guests: RANDY EBERTS–George Erickcek, ANNE ELIAS–Mark Mueller, MARY ANN MITCHELL–Ana Light, JIM McINTYRE–Terry Dorgan, DAN SCHUT–Matt Bates, D. TERRY WILLIAMS–Patrick Donnelly, JILL ELDRED–Grant Chandler and Tracy Lloyd.

Music:

FOOTBALL is in the air as JOHN DILLWORTH and TIM KILMARTIN led us in MSU and WMU fight songs – ah victory! Notre Dame got a mention via PHIL CARTER, schools’ 5th leading rusher in the school’s history.

Announcements:

KARL SANDELIN introduced Grant Chandler, Dean of Students at Kalamazoo Central High School. He has been the director of the Strive program at KCHS for the past 5 years. In 2004 the first group of graduate success was 7 of the 8 students in the program. It started as a program for seniors, but now juniors are included. The class of 2005 showed 6 of 7 graduating and now the program is expanding to post secondary planning. JILL and other committee members are congratulated for such a successful service project. They are seeking new mentors and funding for college for the students included.

Program:

ED SACKLEY introduced speaker Ron Kitchen, CEO of Southwest Michigan First. Ron hails from Corpus Christi, Texas and strongly relates to “What Southwest Michigan First” is all about. He views his mission as being the developer of the best social program in the world, that being well-paying jobs with healthcare benefits and a retirement program. He related to the Strive report in that he grew up poor but had excellent mentors. For him, it’s all about the jobs. These include emphasis on life sciences, continued development and start up of firms at the Innovation Center, the start up of new companies and the focus on a \$5 million venture fund to locate firms in the Kalamazoo region. Ron is enthusiastic, energetic and has a Texas-size fondness for Kalamazoo.

Rotary Monday, September 26, 2005:

President RANDY EBERTS opened the meeting and KARL SANDELIN gave the invocation. WKZO’s Kevin Bayes read the day’s news and delivered a joke.

Visiting Rotarians:

President RANDY called on Table Hosts to introduce visiting Rotarians. JERRY MINICH visited from Gull Lake Area Rotary.

Guests:

AMY REMMERT introduced Tom Little. GREG McLOGAN introduced Joshua Goss. DALE HEIN introduced Erin Campbell, Babara Young, Beverly Solik, Judy Sivak, Joni Darkowski, Laura Nemeceh Harmuban, Rik Tooteiz, and Linda Buzas. JANET KARPUS introduced David Anderson. JILL FLIPSE introduced Ralph Meyer and Mindy Allwardt. BARB MILLER introduced Jane Felte. MATT TILLER introduced Kathryn Raggins.

Music:

TIM KILMARTIN and STACY RIDENOUR led “Blue Moon” and “This is my County”.

New Rotarian:

BARB MILLER introduced Jane Fette. JANE told us about herself and was warmly welcomed as our newest Rotarian.

Announcements:

KARL SANDELIN gave an on his progress for contributions for the marathon he will be running in.

Program:

DALE HEIN was introduced and gave us an update on the Kalamazoo County Health and Community Services program.

KALAMAZOO ROTARY CLUB
MAKE-UP LIST
September 26, 2005

CLIMAX, MI: Jean Forrest, Ronald E. Reid, Richard Roosenberg
EDITARIAN: Jeanne McGeorge and Matt Tiller
GULL LAKE AREA, MI: Dave Boutell, Bob Britigan, Bob Tower
KALAMAZOO SUNRISE: Dennis Berkebile
OSHTEMO, MI: Dave Boutell, Penny Butler, Steve Duisterhof, Don Flesche, Amy Krone, Kim Loftus, Amy Remmert
PARCHMENT, MI: Mary McLean, Bob O'Boyle, Linda Phillips
PAW PAW, MI: Jennifer Lang, Greta Williams
PORTAGE A.M., MI: Mary McLean
PORTAGE, MI: Dave Boutell, Jim Bridenstine
SOUTH FT. MYERS, FL: Ann Hannon
STRIVE - 9/30/05: Jerry Albertson, Mary Jo Asmus, Bob Brown, Glen Kellam, Jennifer Lang, Rob LaRoy, Barb Miller, Ed Sackley

Happy buck/sad buck announcement: Dan Hartlieb announced that Sister Blanca and Carmen Mendoza from Casa Amparo made a surprise visit to Bill Parker in Galesburg and Dan had a nice visit with them when they were here. Carmen is one of our two University graduating Rotary success stories. Carmen is due to graduate in December and while she was here, she was packing up donated furniture for her new apartment that she was to share with fellow graduate Giselda Torres come December.

Sadly, Giselda was killed in an auto accident in Reynosa on Sunday, September 25. Giselda was a wonderful person and role model with a world of potential ahead of her. Giselda was on the DVD that we had produced promoting our Education Endowment Fund that was shown last month at our club meeting.

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MAKE UP AT NEARBY ROTARY CLUBS:

Monday - Allegan, Battle Creek, Marcellus,
Otsego, St. Joseph-Benton Harbor
Tuesday - Constantine, Galesburg, Jackson
Breakfast, Marshall, South Haven
Wednesday - Climax, Cereal City Sunrise,
Jackson, Kalamazoo Sunrise,
Parchment, Portage, Vicksburg
Thursday - Delton, Gull Lake, Paw Paw,
Plainwell, Portage A.M., Three
Rivers
Friday - Lansing, Oshtemo

Meeting times and places listed on page 6 of Roster.

THEME FOR YEAR 2005-2006

"Service Above Self"

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