

Mount Clemens Rotary Club

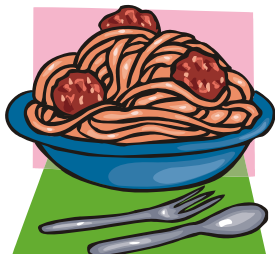


"the spokesperson" for June 21, 2007

Minutes by Darlene LaBelle

Right on cue, Rotary President-Elect, **Bob Morris**, sounded the bell, calling the regular meeting of the Mount Clemens Rotary Club to order promptly at 12:15 p.m. **Don Carnaghi** took a turn leading members in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem as Jennifer Gale played the piano. **John Walendowski** offered thanks

for the blessings we share and the fellowship we enjoy as Rotarians. Today's lunch lineup offered Italian fare with garden salad, hot garlic bread sticks, green beans with slivered almonds, and giant bowls of spaghetti. Sorbet and coffee were served for dessert.



MUSIC & GUESTS & FLOWERS

Al Zuccaro took charge of the musical interlude. Since it was officially the first day of summer, he chose *In the Good Old Summer Time* and *On the Sunny Side of the Street*.

Ray Hofner introduced our guests: Diane Zemcik, guest of **Dave Gerlach**; Bobby Woodring, grandson of **Paul Woodring**; Rich Walendowski, brother of **John Walendowski**; Susan Payne, associate director of Kid-Safe Network and today's speaker; Rick Michels of the Kid-Safe Network, and technical support for today's speaker.

Art Mullen took his flower duty responsibilities seriously and managed to sell all unclaimed blooms. **Ray Glime** bought a flower for our pianist, Jennifer Gale. **Mary Ann Hosey** reserved a blossom for **Patty McKay**. **Dave Gerlach** purchased a beautiful carnation for our guest speaker, Susan Payne. The last flower was reserved by **Al Zuccaro** for his son **Mark** as a peace offering. Since Mark has to hold down the fort, he missed out on his birthday bloom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Don Carnaghi** reminded Rotarians that the boat outing will be held on Thursday, July 26. There will be a short meeting on that day, but no speaker so that everyone can set sail for a fun-filled afternoon at Club Island.
- **Ray Glime** publicized the upcoming Bath Festival, which will be held on August 24-25.
- Also, Ray announced an upcoming luncheon celebrating the 90th anniversary of Selfridge, which will be held from 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, July 1. Tickets are \$25 per person. Ray can get passes onto the base for those who want to take part in the event.
- **Rolf Schroeter** is selling last-minute raffle tickets for the Interfaith Golf function. The draw will be held on June 22.
- **Bob Morris** advised everyone of an envelope that is circulating this week and next. The envelope is being passed around for anyone who would like to contribute to a gratuity for River House staff to thank them for their hospitality and bid them farewell.

RECOGNITION

The "recognition review" was up next, and **Tom Davies** launched the attack with no holds barred. First off, **Jerry Innes** and **Bob Cannon** were chastised for being too chatty.

Next, **Don Green** was targeted for not even mentioning Rotary in a newspaper article highlighting his accomplishments. Davies struck with the full force of the \$4.99 maximum as he noted that not a word was mentioned in the entire article about Green's 52 years of Rotary membership. A cavalcade of newsmakers followed.

Penny Schulwitz, Mary Ann Hosey, Bob Cannon, Bob Morris and Ray Glime were all placed in jeopardy. Indeed, the paparazzo rules! A *Macomb Daily* photo led to their downfall, and penalties were handed down with one possible exception. Knowing that President-Elect, **Bob Morris** would be on a recognition reprieve for 12 long months, Davies immediately shifted into fine folly mode. As Morris braced for the hit, he was offered an acquittal. If he could produce the President's gavel, he would be forgiven and no charge would be made. Alas, the treasured object was nowhere to be found, and 007 was ordered to pay up.

Next on the roster, **Al Zuccaro** was out \$2 for showing off his suntanned legs. That's what you get for walking *On the Sunny Side of the Street*. Then Davies quizzed **Carl Becker** about the purpose of a certain pair of binoculars in his possession. It turns out that these are actually going to be used for improving visibility on jobbie nooner, which cost \$2.

Bill Furest was fined \$3 for reminding Tom that there would be no program today if Tom didn't stop his assault. Finally, everyone not wearing an official Rotary pin was fined.

BIRTHDAYS

6/17 DON MILLER
6/18 LINDA (BOB) MORRIS
6/19 MARK ZUCCARO
6/21 VALERIE (GERRY) HANSON

CLUB ANNIVERSARY
MIKE ROBINSON (15)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS FROM: SARAH LEE-ELLENA PROGRAM CHAIR

JUNE 28 PRESIDENT RON REED'S OUTGOING SPEECH. LAST MEETING AT RIVER HOUSE

JULY 5 NO MEETING
JULY 12 VICE ADMIRAL TERRANCE ENTYRE, COMMANDER OF THE U.S. NAVY'S SURFACE FLEET - DETROIT NAVY WEEK. FIRST MEETING AT ZION CHURCH
JULY 19 PRESIDENT BOB MORRIS' INCOMING SPEECH
JULY 26 BOAT OUTING -- MEETING FOR LUNCH ONLY



Bill Furest introduced speaker, Susan Payne. Payne is a police officer in Roseville. She studied criminal justice at Wayne State, and now concentrates her work in community policing.

program In particular, she promotes child safety by encouraging parents and caregivers to join the Kid-Safe Network. If those at risk are registered in Rapid Child Search, an instant personal profile will be available to law enforcement and others to begin the search immediately. Speed is critical when a child is missing. Too much time is lost getting a description and pictures of the child and what he was wearing.

Profiles on Rapid Search include current non-smiling pictures including a head shot, a side head shot, a full body shot, and a side body shot. The color of the child's hair and eyes is included as well as height, weight, sex, and race. No personal information, e.g. address and phone number is recorded. Only parents and caregivers have access to update information; it is protected with a password.



On average, children who are abducted are hurt within 20 minutes. It takes an average of two hours to put out an Amber Alert. Within three hours most kidnaped children are dead. If children are registered with the Kid-Safe Network, current information about the child is available within minutes. One thousand phone calls are sent out each minute, and more and more people are involved in the search.

Registering children and those at risk is free. The organization sells flash drives so that current information is at hand. They suggest taking digital pictures of your child if you are attending an event or visiting a park, shopping center or anywhere that your child might be abducted. The pictures will save time trying to describe what the child looks like and what the child is wearing. Moreover, the critical information can be sent out in minutes instead of hours of the abduction.

They also suggest getting a DNA kit and fingerprints of children to aid in the search. Advocates of the Kid-Safe Network will be at the Clinton Township offices on Saturday, June 23; they plan to register hundreds of children at the event.

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