

Mount Clemens Rotary Club



"the spokesperson"

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Minutes by Darlene LaBelle

CALENDAR

- 5/8 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY -
MOLLY BELL (BILL LEE)
- 5/15 IMPACT OF ROTARY WORLD
PEACE SUMMIT OPPORTUNITIES
FOR WORLD PEACE TODAY -
PROF. FRED PIERSON, DIRECTOR
CENTER FOR PEACE AND
CONFLICT RESOLUTION, WAYNE
STATE UNIVERSITY - BOB SELWA
BRING FOOD DONATIONS

FUTURE EVENT: PICNIC AT THE NEW GEORGE
PARK IN THE PAVILION – BOB CANNON

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- 6/15-18 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION IN LOS ANGELES



PROPOSED NEW MEMBER
ANTHONY RANDAZZO
ATTORNEY
COMMERCIAL DEFENSE
SPONSOR: ERIC PIERSON



On this nippy and cold spring day at the beginning of May, President **Bob Morris** called the meeting to order at 12:15. **Jack Hart** led the *Pledge of Allegiance* and *The Star-Spangled Banner* accompanied by **Jennifer Gale** on the piano. By the time **Tom Davies** offered the blessing things had already started to warm up and take on a more festive air. The lunch menu featured garden salad, fresh crusty bread, and Zion's ultimate spaghetti feast. For dessert, a special cake marking the 88th anniversary of the Mount Clemens Rotary Club was shared with everyone, compliments of Phil Groh. In a tribute to the Tigers, **Bob Selwa** led the club in a lively rendition of *The Band Played On* and *Rotary, My Rotary*, which helped to brighten up the day.

Flowers

Jessica Cheshire had the pleasure of presenting a flower to **Joe Peruzzi** in honor of his birthday. **Don Carnaghi** received a flower on the occasion of his wedding anniversary. **Lynn Davidson** bought a flower for **Don Miller** to give to his wife. (What's that all about?) **Julie Huttenlocher** thanked **Mary Spaulding** with a flower for planning a special party on June 11. **Ray Glime** was happy to see **Chuck O'Grady**, so he bought him a flower. **Mary Spaulding** bought a flower for **Nancy Dedenbach** because according to **Mary**, "She's a riot." Finally, **Rolf Schroeter** bought the last flower for **Phil Groh** to acknowledge his help with the CROP Walk.

Announcements and Goodwill

Bob Morris thanked **Phil Groh** for providing cake in recognition of the club's 88th anniversary. Eights are supposed to be lucky, so it should be an excellent year for the club. He reminded club members of the international Rotary district conference starting Friday in Chatham. More than 300 Rotarians from southeast Michigan and Chatham-Kent plan to attend the three-day event. Rotarians will be meeting at Wheels Inn on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and will be attending seminars as well as special events. The theme of this year's event is "A Celebration: Sharing Rotary." The program will feature presentations on a large number of issues consistent with Rotary International's global objectives including improving health and reducing hunger, raising literacy and the introduction of clean water projects in Third World nations. Seminars will also be held on Rotary's PolioPlus and the organization's youth exchange program.

Don Torline was fined \$5 for reporting that Baker College, Texas A&M University and the University of Louisville have won top honors in the National Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition. The Baker College entrants, as the third annual competition's winning team, received an invitation from the Department of Homeland Security to attend the March 2010 Cyber Storm III National Cyber Security Exercise in Washington, D.C. Congratulations Baker College!

Rolf Schroeter invited everyone to join in the CROP walk on Sunday, May 4. He needs sponsors and walkers to raise funds for world hunger. This year an anonymous donor is giving \$25 for each new walker. The CROP Walk will begin at the Methodist church on Cass and North Ave. in Mount Clemens at 1:30 p.m., rain or shine. Sponsors can make checks out to "CWS CROP."

Bob Selwa was fined \$5 for a new haircut and a missing name tag while reporting on the World Peace Conference last weekend.

Ken Kish received a first-place award for editorial writing at the Professional Journalist's Award dinner. Kudos to Ken!

Bob Baker is now a GREAT uncle, so he donated \$5 for Addison Brooke.

Recognition

John Walendowski went right to work recognizing any and all infractions.

Bill Furest was fined \$5 for wearing a ponytail from the Kentucky Derby fundraiser.

John Murphy paid up \$5 in lieu of singing happy birthday to the club on its 88th anniversary.

Bob Leslie and **Chuck O'Grady** were fined \$5 each for bragging about all of the fish they caught while in Florida. Finally, everyone with spaghetti spots will be on the hook for \$5.

50/50 Draw

Chuck O'Grady won \$58.

BIRTHDAY

4/27 JOE PERUZZI

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

4/26 BOB & CHERYL CANNON (20)

5/1 DON & LAURA CARNAGHI (27)

CLUB ANNIVERSARY

KEVIN WALTERS (7)

Speaker

Ron Reed gave an overview of the Mount Clemens Rotary Foundation. It is a separate 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, so it has a separate Board of Directors including the club's president, vice president, three past presidents, and two members-at-large (Sue Diener and Don Carnaghi).

The Foundation has separate bylaws that include the mission statement of the organization. There are two reasons for its existence: 1) It is a legitimate charity for tax purposes, and 2) Money in the fund can be managed tax-free. The Board of the Foundation has created a committee comprising all of the financial planners in the club. As of Feb. 29, 2008, it held an investment account of approximately \$258,000.

The money is disbursed according to the following formula: 80% of investment income and 100% of money raised in fundraising events are given out to charities each year. The president has the honor of choosing which charities will receive donations and how much they will receive.

Anyone can ask for donations. The remaining 20% of investment income remains in the fund to ensure growth. It can also be used for large projects such as the Play Scape that was donated several years ago. Club members can make individual donations to the Foundation, which are tax-deductible.



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