

Rotary Club of Kalamazoo Bulletin

January 21, 2018 — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

The meeting was called to order by President Jeannie Brandenberger at 12:19
The business sponsor for today's meeting is [Crawlspace Community Theatre](#)

Invocation by Ann Baughborough

Selected Arts News

Winter Gala Dance Concert - WMU Terry Williams Theatre - Jan 25 to Feb 2
Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra - Miller Auditorium - Jan 26, 8 PM
The Complete Works of Shakespeare (All 37!) - Kalamazoo Civic - Opens Jan 25
Tenderly, The Rosemary Clooney Musical - Kalamazoo Civic Parish Theatre - Jan 11-27
The Wolves - WMU University Theatre - Gilmore Theatre Complex - Jan 25 to Feb 10
Regional Juried Arts Competition - Carnegie Center for the Arts - Jan 20 to Feb 20

Visitors and Guests

District Governor Jim Cupper introduced his guest - "The First Wife" - Chris Cupper
Tom Stobie - Guest of Steve Kreider

Songs

Tim Kilmartin led singing of Rotary Songs via Sarasota Bay (FL) Rotary Songbook

- Is it the Truth? (tune of Saints go Marching In)
- Oh Rotary, My Rotary (tune of Oh Tannenbaum)

Happy Birthday to Drew Elliott, Tom Thomas, Steve Kreider, Kevin Brozovich

Membership Minute - Rotarian Nicki Poer changed in her red temporary badge for the blue permanent one!

Happy Bucks

Past President Jack - For Guest "The Only Wife" Chris Cupper
Deb Harris - In celebration of her Granddaughter's 10th Birthday

Program Club Assembly "Start, Stop & Continue" - President Jeannie Brandenberger

• Summary of Goals for 2018/19

- \$18,500 - Foundation Giving - 47% met - 66/169 members have given. Please consider.
- \$9,500 - Polio Plus Giving - 82% met
- Grow Club by 5% (we are down 7 members this year, but have inducted 7 new members. 8 proposed members are on deck) We can still make the 5% goal. The Satellite Club now has a charter and is a great alternative to grow membership
- Support and Engage with our Roteract Club - several joint events and activities cited
- Send a Student to RYLA Camp in Summer 2019 - still planning on this pending funds

- Create an Interact Club - working on creating an Interact Club at local schools
- New Membership Initiatives - Mentor Program, Making Induction 'special', provide business sponsorships for members to promote their businesses.
- Meetings before the Meetings - 40 year Rotarians & Women Rotarians are examples
- **Things to Continue**
 - Reading and Literacy Programs
 - Strive
 - Mentorship Program
 - Committee reports to the Club
- **Club Finances - Lisa Anspaugh**
 - Through December 2018 - Membership dues down (loss of members) but Corporate membership are up. Actual income is about \$2000 below budget.
 - Actual expenses are on pace with budget
 - Current Club Cash Position - \$32,744 - about \$1,000 more than Dec 31, 2017.
 - 72% of members have given to Charities.
 - \$16,700 raised out of \$20,000 goal for Charities.
 - Club gave \$6,000 in small grants in the Fall and plan another \$6,000 this Spring.
- **Club then split up in to a variety of roundtable discussions**

Announcements

- **5:01 - Tuesday, January 22, The Stamped Robin, 128 Portage Street** — across Portage Street from Olde Peninsula. Thanks for organizing this Dann Sytsma! Hope to see many of you there! This is a great opportunity to bring a guest and prospective member.
- Rotary for Reading Committee meeting today after our meeting
- Podium Board meeting announced after end of meeting
- Charitable Contributions Sheet available next week - please pick yours up to save postage

Next Monday's Program

- Dr. Scott Nykasa of KalSec - "Spice It Up" brought to us by PP Jim McIntyre

Today's bulletin is respectfully submitted by Rick Searing