

Rotary Meeting, October 29, 2018 - Editorian Amy Remmert

The meeting was called to order by President Jeanne Brandenburg. The invocation was delivered by Steve Charnley with emphasis on the Four Way Test and we all replied WE WILL SPEAK UP. Christopher Schram presented the Art News. Lots of good things happening.

Visiting Rotarians: Nancy Wenke,

Guests - Deb Harris, Hillary Kerr - Mary Zoeller, Tom Secant

Tim Kilmartin with music. We did the "Mash - The Monster Mash."

Chuck Van Zoeren and Rayline Manni are celebrating birthdays this week. Jim Cupper was recognized for winning a \$250 at the Foundation Raffle.

Rick Briscoe brought up Jack Hopkins so he could present Denise Hartsaugh with a Paul Harris Fellow.

Last week was World Polio Day. Rick Briscoe was pleased report that 51 members donated. You can still donate. To date we have collected \$7,710 toward a goal \$9,500. Jeanne Brandenberger made note that if everyone gave an additional \$10, we would make our goal.

DIRECTORIES ARE HERE: Members can pick them up for the next few weeks.

PROGRAM: Fifth Monday Fun Day. Steve Charnley outline the order for this meeting. It's time for us to talk around the table. The first question for each was "What brought you to Kalamazoo?" A sample from our table when something like this.

- 1 Terry Williams - He was offered the Chair of the Theater Department at WMU. Dah! Why wouldn't you.
2. Jeff Murphy – Was recruited by Upjohn. Came kicking and screaming from New York but did not regret it.
3. Rich Venema - It became a coin toss - Kalamazoo or Indianapolis. Kalamazoo won.
4. Dave Boutell - Wayne State grad and came to do assist with patent attorney work. Intrigued by the work this attorney in Kzoo did. Stayed.
5. Thell Wood - Had a masters in international relations - could do business from anywhere. Hi wife wanted to move out of his hometown of Alma. She won but then so did he.
6. Don Schmitt - Came here to go to K College and discovered he could drive anywhere in 15 minutes. That worked.
7. Amy Remmert - Came kicking and screaming as her father decided it was a good idea to move his family to the US from post WWII Europe. Realizing St. Nick could find her anywhere - it was OK.
8. Christina Dorett - Came of Singapore through her work in Foreign corrupt practices. Was hired by Union Pump in Battle Creek - such a strange name and then discovered Kalamazoo, an even stranger name. But it was good.
- 9 John Dillworth - Went to Western and stayed in the area with work for Kellogg. He was not a corporate person so in 2000 he took a job at Goodwill.

The group then tackled the three questions around Rotary that were posed by Steve.