

Rotary Club of Portage Bulletin

Porta-Rota-Call

June 16, 2021

by Bob Borsos

Ring Bell at 12pm

Four Way Test: Led by President

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by President

Finance at the Door: NA

Invocation: Dick Hewitt

Greeter: Mary Lou Wright

Bulletin: Bob Borsos

Program: Terry Morrow and Stephanie Bayma, Bronson Healthcare Group were introduced by Shirley Johnson –

Terry Morrow and Stephanie Bayma updated the club on the Bronson Healthcare System. The third COVID surge this spring was the biggest strain on the hospital system yet. Hospitalizations are now down and medical services are returning to a more normal level. Total vaccine doses given to the community is over 60,560 and have had a large effect on diminishing the transimition of the COVID virus. Bronson and others have worked hard to have the vaccine distributed equitably through out the community to insure availability to all.

Bronson has just completed a new 5 story Cancer Center on the Bronson campus. Bronson also has Cancer Centers in Battle Creek and a facility that specializes in the cancer treatment for children.

The new Bronson Cancer Center provides a broad spectrum of services for cancer patients including genetic testing and infusion services and the availability of the onccology doctors and nurses on site.

Bronson has provided \$60 million in community support for facilities and services as part of its mission. To further it's commitment to fighting cancer, Bronson started an \$8 million community campaign to provide additional support for the patients and family that includes counseling and psychological support, physical exercise through yoga and other less stressful exercises, and wellness education. The program was so successful that Bronson raised \$9.5 million.

Announcements

- Golf outing on August 9th at Gull Lake View Golf Course – you can participate in one of three ways (or all three!):

- **Donate (\$\$\$/items):** T-shirts, umbrellas, golf ball sleeves, gift certificates (spa, restaurant, car washes, etc), magnets, essentially anything of value greater than \$5, or cash/check and we can purchase on your behalf; you can drop off items/prizes to my office (6784 S Westnedge Dr, Suite D, Portage, MI 49002) or to Bonnie's office (2312 Winters Drive, Portage, MI 49002)
- **Play the Event:** get a group together or come and we'll find a team for you!
- **Volunteer:** we always need help in planning and set up
- June 30th will be a 501 meeting; June 23rd is in-person at the Celery Flats, follow up with Dick Hewitt if you'd like lunch ordered from A Pizza Yen

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Latecomer Fines: Led by President

Bob MGrav celebrates his birthday on June 18th. Mary and Terry Hall and Art and Betty Roberts both celebrate their wedding anniversaries on June 16th.

Happy Bucks- Many for the Bronson Cancer Center and the services they received.

Fines (Sgt at Arms): Paul Carlson gave a trivia quiz that raised many dollars.

Thank visiting Rotarians and Guests

Next Program: Pass the Gavel Event at Celery Flats

Ring Bell – meeting adjourned by 1pm

Replay Zoom meeting recording...

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