

# Rotary



# Club of Williamston Sunrise

## Club Leaders



Kay Erin Goluska  
President



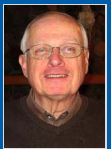
Wanda Bloomquist  
President - Elect



Gene Klco  
Secretary  
Webmaster



Laska J Creagh  
President - Nominee  
Membership Chair



Steve Terry  
Treasurer



James Conroy  
Club Director



Elgar Brown  
Sergeant - at - Arms



Mark Steinberg  
Rotary Foundation Chair



Narda Murphy  
Youth Services Chair



Brian Tort  
iPast President



Brian Tort  
Assistant Governor

## 10/20/20-Carmen Hall-H4H

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, October 20, 2020

### General Discussion:

- Attendance: Members=18, Associate Members=0, Guests=1



- President Kay started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Happy Dollars
- Random Acts of Kindness - Laska
  - The committee has met and a plan is in the works
  - Will roll out soon
  - It is for all 3 school systems, not just Webberville as previously reported
  - Questioned if it will be really random
    - Should check with Dennis Gilliland
- Williamston School Board meeting - Chris
  - Passed plan for hybrid classes
    - Middle & High school - TBA date
    - Wednesday, Nov. 4 start K & 3<sup>rd</sup> grades
    - Monday, Nov. 9 - start 1-2, 4-5<sup>th</sup> grades
    - Optional - On-line still available
  - Narda praised the board for checking carefully before making the decision
  - Teachers and administrators are doing a lot of work
  - Adam Spina is back! First day back as Superintendent
    - Thanks to Kelly - did an amazing job covering for him
- Next week's afternoon meeting
  - Question of going fully Zoom as getting too cold to meet outside
  - Discussion with membership
    - Potential of meeting places indoors
    - Williamston Sun Theater?
      - Will require high cost to heat for one meeting
    - Laska and small group to check possibilities
    - Still would do a hybrid anyway
      - Need internet availability
      - Need mic, speaker, dedicated PC (Chromebook)
      - Brian was checking cost to get equipment
    - Suggest NIESA conference room, if only 1/3 or less attend
      - Also Depot Museum meeting room
      - Question of what % will attend?
    - George & Janet will not meet in person until a vaccine is available
      - Scientists say next 2 months could be worst yet

## Speakers

**October 20, 2020**

[Carmen Hall](#)

Resource  
Development Director  
for Habitat For  
Humanity Capital  
Region

**October 27, 2020**

[Sherry Campbell](#)

Toastmasters & "T  
Women"

**November 03,  
2020**

[No Meeting - Be Sure  
to VOTE](#)

- Suggest we stay virtual for rest of year
- Need a choice
- Will need proper equipment to do hybrid
- Dues
  - In past, mostly paid for cost of breakfast/pizza
  - Looking at temporary decrease in dues
    - Issues:
      - Not doing any fund raising - dues money could help
      - Need equipment to do hybrid
    - Brian - need focus of group to decide
    - Gene - will do hybrid eventually
      - Get equipment now
    - Narda - about service to others
      - Done in different ways this year
      - Interact club
      - Duck Safari
      - School help
      - Doing well despite Covid
    - Sharon
      - Endorse what Narda said
      - Before we went from fund raiser to fund raiser

Guest speaker - **Carmen Hall** of Habitat For Humanity Capital Region



- Carmen is with Habitat for Humanity and member of Lansing Rotary
- H4H started in 1976 by Millard & Linda Fuller
  - Vision - a world where everyone has a decent place to live
  - Mission Statement:
    - Habitat for Humanity Capital Region brings people together to build homes, communities and hope
  - Jimmy & Rosalyn Carter became involved in 1984
    - He is the longest serving volunteer for H4H
    - Michigan was a host site in 2018
- Global Facts:
  - More than 1500 affiliates in US and 550 internationally
  - Habitat has built over 1 million homes and housed over 5 million people
- Habitat for Humanity Capital Region (HFHCR)
  - Founded in 1987
  - Has partnered with over 2000 families in Ingham & Eaton Counties
- Programs:
  - Home ownership
  - Repairs
  - Ramps
  - Neighborhood revitalization
  - HabiKids
  - ReStore
- HRHCR has built 800+ ramps
  - Laska has helped locally on ramp building

- o Ramp crew meets on Fridays (sometimes Tuesdays)
- Safe & affordable housing
  - o Partner with families
  - o Help to get a mortgage at 30% of their income
  - o Families purchase home
    - Add sweat equity - work with the volunteers
- Do critical home repairs
  - o Roof, siding, windows, heating system, ♦
- ReStores
  - o One in Williamston and one in Lansing
  - o Williamston on Grand River Ave. west of downtown
  - o Lansing on Benjamin just south of Lake Lansing Rd (east of Old 27)
- Families Served:
  - o Home rehabbed and sold to Habitat family home buyer in need
  - o 4 houses served internationally through our tithe program
  - o 53 homes repaired in Capital Region
  - o 42 accessible ramps
  - o 294 donors and sponsors
  - o 1159 volunteers contributed
  - o 9572 hours of service
- Rely on volunteers
  - o Can♦ afford to do what they do with contractors
  - o Volunteer opportunities
    - Do temp checks for Covid
    - Sanitize tools
    - Take precautions
  - o Staff of 9 + volunteers
- Carmen shared a video (no sound, but will be emailed to all)
  - o In video, women shared that without Habitat couldn♦ save for down payment
  - o Will close in early November on house, dedicate in Saturday
- 800<sup>th</sup> Ramp built - next effort Friday am
  - o Story: Shawn lived in the home he grew up in
    - Developed a hip problem - couldn♦ climb the steps to house
    - Had to crawl in & out of house
    - When ramp finished - he was thrilled!
- Homeowners
  - o Every family is a partner
  - o They aim to provide safe, decent, affordable permanent home with no-profit mortgage
  - o Requirements:
    - Reliable income for monthly payments
    - Reasonable credit score with good debt management
    - Demonstrate a need for housing
    - Willingness to partner (sweat equity)
- Volunteer
  - o Partnering with families
  - o Financial coaching
  - o Become a board member
  - o Help fund raising
  - o Make a direct donation
    - Remember in your will or planned gift
    - Become a Strategic Corporate Partner by making a gift through your business
  - o If interested - email Carmen: [carmen@habitatlansing.org](mailto:carmen@habitatlansing.org)
  - o Laska - involved in the Ramp Crew - really appreciative by homeowners
    - Meet 9am-1pm Fridays
    - Not just fund raising, but serving
  - o Volunteers submit application
    - They do a background check
    - Volunteer orientation via Zoom
    - Administrative offices in front of Lansing Restore
      - 1941 Benjamin Dr., Lansing, MI 48906
- Future
  - o Building a new home for a women with 5 children
    - In north Lansing - on a corner lot
    - Foundation poured
    - Raising walls on November 16<sup>th</sup>
  - o Also working on a house on Clemens Ave, Lansing
  - o Women Build on Wednesdays
  - o Lumber shortage - how deal with?
    - Partner with lumber companies
    - Have supplies to build all ramps planned for the year
      - Had to finish with plastic/composite wood on ramps due to lumber shortage
- Next week
  - o Afternoon meeting - 5:30 pm via Zoom
  - o Speaker - **Sherry Campbell** - of 2 Men & a Truck
- **No Meeting on Election Day - November 3**

## October Birthdays

By Gene Klco on Thursday, October 1, 2020  
Wishes for a Happy Birthday in **October** go out to:

**Norm Shinkle October 4**

**Fred Campbell October 31**

## Thought for the Week

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, January 7, 2020

◆Don't merely wish for a positive outcome. Make the effort to make that positive outcome actually happen.◆

## Joke of the Week

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, January 7, 2020

### QUIZ FOR MY BRIGHT & BORED FRIENDS

*There are nine questions. (last half )*

*This is a quiz for people who know a lot! These are not trick questions.*

*They are straight questions with straight answers...*

**6. Only three words in standard English begin with the letters ' dw' and they are all common words. Name two of them.**

**7. There are 14 punctuation marks in English grammar. Can you name at least half of them?**

**8. Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form except fresh.**

**9. Name 6 or more things that you can wear on your feet beginning with the letter 'S.'**

*Answers To Quiz:*

**6. Three English words beginning with dw: Dwarf, dwell and dwindle...**

**7. Fourteen punctuation marks in English grammar: Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation point, quotation mark, brackets, parenthesis, braces, and ellipses.**

**8. The only vegetable or fruit never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form but fresh: Lettuce.**

**9. Six or more things you can wear on your feet beginning with 'S': Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, snowshoes, stockings, stilts.**