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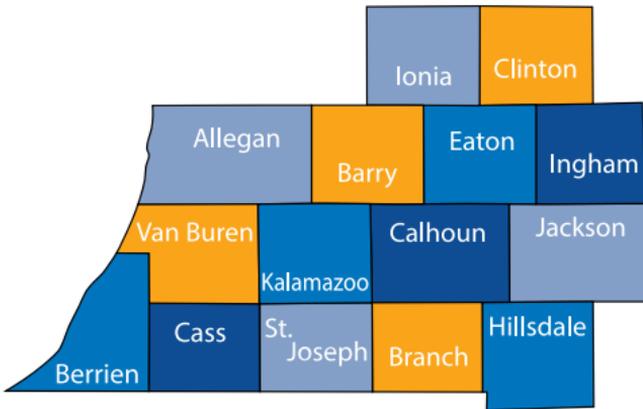
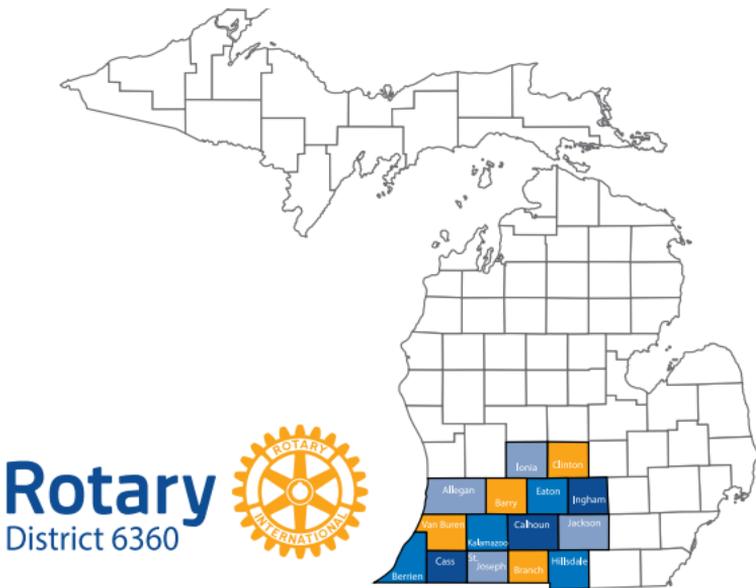
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Welcome You to Celebrate Our Rotary Year 2022-2023



## Get Fired Up!

Welcome Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Friends and Guests, District 6360 is indeed "Fired Up." This past year, Rotarians have witnessed tremendous growth in our district, the resurgence of Interact Clubs and the renewal and chartering of Rotaract Clubs.

Rotarians have Imagined Rotary and have turned Imagination into Action!

Clubs pursuing the Rotary Presidential Citation have nearly doubled.

The District 6360 Committees are loaded with talent and energy to support each of our clubs.

This weekend, let's enjoy each other's fellowship and **"Fire Up Rotary!"**

Yours in Rotary Service,  
- District Governor Kathy Gallagher

## **Rotary International President 2022-2023**



**Jennifer Jones**  
**Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland**  
**Ontario, Canada**

Jennifer Jones is the founder and president of Media Street Productions, an award-winning 27-year-old media company in Windsor, Ontario. She is a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland.

Jennifer's talents have strengthened Rotary's reach and impact as she has served in roles including vice president, director, Rotary Foundation trustee, and co-chair of the End Polio Now: Make History Today fundraising campaign.

Jennifer is a leader in cultivating experiential fundraising opportunities, such as a day of golfing with Rotary polio ambassador Jack Nicklaus in Jupiter, Florida, USA, that raised over \$5.25 million for polio eradication. She also led the innovative #RotaryResponds virtual event in May 2020, which raised money for COVID-19 relief projects and showcased how Rotary members were responding to the pandemic around the world.

She has received the Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service. She holds a Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) and has been recognized with the YMCA Peace Medal and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, and she was the first Canadian to receive Wayne State University's Community Peacemaker Award.

Jennifer is married to Rotary member Nick Krayacich, a family physician. They share a love for travel, cycling, golf, and relaxing at their family cottage, in addition to adventures such as climbing to the summit of Kilimanjaro in Tanzania.

Jennifer and Nick support The Rotary Foundation as members of the Arch Klumph Society, Paul Harris Society, and Bequest Society.

## **District Governor 2022-2023**



**Kathy Gallagher**  
**Rotary Club of Battle Creek**  
**Battle Creek, Michigan, USA**

Kathy joined the Rotary Club of Battle Creek in 2005. She served as Club President in 2017-2018 after serving as Club Secretary for nearly ten years. She continues to chair the Public Image committee and serves on the Membership committee. Kathy served on the Centennial Celebration committee for her Rotary Club and chaired the 2017 District Conference planning committee. Her district leadership positions include serving as an assistant governor and as the chair of The Rotary Foundation Committee.

Kathy graduated from Michigan State University having earned her undergraduate degree in Social Work. She was a medical social worker prior to taking time off to raise the family. Kathy primarily worked in Hemodialysis, the intensive care and emergency care units.

Throughout their sons' school-aged years, Kathy served on the Battle Creek Area Catholic School board as its secretary and also as a trustee on the Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools Foundation Board.

In 1997, she began a career in development, serving as the Development Director for the BCACS Foundation. She was a member of the Grand Rapids Chapter of American Fundraising Professionals serving as the board secretary during that time.

Kathy retired in 2013, after helping to raise nearly \$20 million for the Catholic schools in Battle Creek.

Kathy's volunteerism includes serving on the Gull Lake Quality Organization Board, Ladies of the Lake (a local philanthropic organization) and the Michigan Lakes and Streams Association.

Kathy is married to Mike who is a member of the Gull Lake Area Rotary Club. They have two married sons and five grandchildren. Family is the love of Kathy's life! Kathy and Mike enjoy travelling, RV'ing, boating and gardening.

## Rotary International President's Representative



**David Edwards and Donna Edwards**  
**Rotary Club of Barbados**  
**Caribbean Region**

David Edwards is a Professional Real Estate Valuer and a Justice of the Peace.

David joined Rotary 1978. He has been President of the Rotary Club of Barbados, the Centennial District Governor for District 7030 in 2004-2005 and the founding Chair of the District 7030 Governor's Council.

David has been at the forefront of Regional Disaster assistance in the Caribbean from 1982 to present, currently serving as Chair of the Regional Disaster Committee.

David is the immediate past Chair of the Rotary International Membership Committee.

He served District 7030 and Zone 34 in multiple capacities including 2013 Council on Legislation, and member of the RI Directors Nominating Committee. He was Zone 34 Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Chair, Public Image Chair and the Zone 33-34 Institute Executive.

David served as Assistant to RI President Elect Jennifer Jones at the recent RI 2022 Convention in Houston. He will serve as Assistant to President Jennifer Jones in Melbourne, Australia. He also served as Assistant to RI President Barry Rassin and RIPE Sam Owori.

He is very involved with Rotaract and Interact Clubs.

David has received the Citation for Meritorious Service Award as well as the Rotary International "Service above Self" Award. Both he and his wife Donna are Major Donors to the Rotary Foundation. They have two sons and five grandchildren.

# GREETINGS

## from the Mayor and City Manager



### CITY OF BATTLE CREEK OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

May 5, 2023

Welcome Rotarians,

We are pleased and proud to welcome you to the City of Battle Creek! Thank you for choosing the Cereal City to host your Rotary District 6360 Annual Conference.

Battle Creek is honored to be the home of two Rotary Clubs: Cereal City Sunrise Rotary Club and Rotary Club of Battle Creek. As in local government, Rotary Club members embrace service to their communities. We appreciate the dedication of your members who give back to each of their communities in a variety of ways. Whether it is club service, vocational service, youth service, or community service, your members make a difference and we see the impact daily.

While you are here, enjoy Battle Creek's vibrant downtown community! There is a selection of cultural conveniences and the natural beauty of both the Battle Creek and Kalamazoo Rivers. The downtown shopping district offers charming and unique specialty retailers including boutiques, sporting, cycling, fitness apparel, flower shops, jewelers, shoes, and much more. You will always discover amazing restaurants, breweries and cafes, live music, and fresh food in our diverse community. Battle Creek is a small town with mighty amenities!

In our service to community, each of us should reflect on the Rotary Four-Way Test. It is important we are truthful, fair, build goodwill and better friendships and make it beneficial to all members of our community. For in these words, we find the foundation of service as well as a foundation for both our personal and professional relationships.

We hope you have a wonderful conference.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Behnke  
Mayor

Rebecca L. Fleury  
City Manager



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# Rotary District 6360 Conference

Friday, May 5 - Saturday, May 6, 2023

## FRIDAY MAY 5

9:00am - 12:00 - noon **Registration Open**

10:00am - 10:45am **Welcome and Opening Plenary:**

- Kathy Gallagher, District Governor
- David Edwards, Rotary International President's Representative
- Mayor Mark Behnke
- Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi
- National Anthem - Kat Jones

10:45am - 11:30am **Attract Younger Generations by Transforming Your Club's Culture**

Presenters: Taylor Huie and Mitty Chang

◆ 11:30am - 12:00pm Break

Noon -12:45pm **Lunch** • Welcome Interactors •

12:45pm -1:30pm **The World Needs More Kindness**

- Orion Jean

◆ 1:30pm - 2:00pm Break

2:00pm -2:45pm **International Service Is Life-Changing: End Polio Now Trip**

- Sharon Wherry

3:00pm -3:45pm **My Rotary Journey**

- Wooj Byun

◆ 3:45pm - 4:00pm Break

4:00pm - 4:45pm **Memorial Service—A Celebration of Life**

## 5:00pm - 9:30pm | Friday Evening Festivities

5:00pm - 6:00pm **Reception and Bar**

Music by Charlotte Acoustic Project

6:00pm - 7:00pm **Dinner**

7:15pm - 8:00 pm **The Service Driven Leader: Chart a Course to Greatness**

- Donald Clinebell

8:00pm - 8:30pm **The Rotary Foundation Honors and Club Recognition**

8:30pm - 9:30pm **Hat Contest and Derby Party**

~ Adjourn for the Evening ~

All meals require a ticket. Breakfast on your own Saturday. Displays, Scavenger Hunt and Basket Raffle tables open during registration, cocktail receptions and break times.

# Rotary District 6360 Conference

## SATURDAY MAY 6

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- 8:00am - 10:00am **Registration Open**
- 9:00am - 9:45am District 6360 Annual Business Meeting
- 10:00am - 10:45am **Seven Keys to Success as a Service Driven Leader**  
- Donald Clinebell
- 11:00am - 11:45am **What would it take to make your club irresistible? Lessons From Successful Clubs Across North America**  
- Doug Logan
- Noon - 1:00pm **Lunch**
- 1:00pm - 1:30pm **My Rotary and Yours**  
- David Edwards, Rotary International President's Representative
- ◆ 1:30pm - 1:45pm Break
- 1:45pm - 2:30pm **Rotary Action Group for Opioid Addiction The Preventable Epidemic**  
- Dr. Arun Gupta
- 2:45pm - 3:30pm **Rotary Action Group for Diabetes**  
- Edwin Velarde
- 3:45pm - 4:30pm **Rotary Action Group for Environmental Sustainability**  
**Panel:** Michelle Skedgell, George Gormley and Steve Diller

## 5:00pm - 9:00pm | Saturday Evening Festivities

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- 5:00pm - 6:00pm **Reception and Bar**  
Music by Charlotte Acoustic Project
- 6:00pm - 7:15pm **Dinner**
- 7:15pm - 7:30pm **Club Milestones:**
- Governor's Award, Jim Alden Youth Services Program Award**
- 7:30pm - 7:45pm **Closing Comments**  
- David Edwards, Rotary International President's Representative
- 8:00pm - 9:00pm **Rotary Hero Recognition Party**

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## Friday Keynote Speaker



### **Taylor Huie**

#### **Rotary Club of Kalamazoo | Michigan, USA**

Taylor Huie is a Medical Device Design Engineer at Stryker Instruments in Kalamazoo, Michigan. A class of 2021 Biomedical Engineering graduate from Duke University, Taylor worked on the faculty-led Duke COVID Engineering Response team to design solutions to minimize the spread and risk of COVID-19.

In Rotary, Taylor serves as Executive Director of the Ascension Rotaract Network MDIO, supporting Rotaract and partnering Rotary teams in Zones 28 through 34. An active dual-member of the Rotary Club and Rotaract Club of Kalamazoo, she also serves in several club, district, and zone roles focused on Rotaract and Membership, including her role as member of Rotary International's Membership Growth Committee.

During her time in North Carolina, Taylor served as the Charter President of the Rotaract Club of Duke University, launching with an initial 400 members. Starting early in Rotary leadership, Taylor is Past President of the 140-member Interact Club of St. Joseph High School, which has raised over \$200,000 for education, water, and medical projects for Haitian immigrants in the Dominican Republic. Raised in a Rotary family, Taylor has parents in Rotary leadership, two siblings that have served in Interact leadership, and several Rotary Youth Exchange siblings from all around the world.

A global speaker for Rotary International, Taylor has led discussions on starting and sustaining Interact and Rotaract Clubs, as well as fostering synergy through strong cross-generational partnerships. Taylor is honored and excited to share with others what she has learned about motivating young people through a life of "Service Above Self."

## Friday Keynote Speaker



### **Mitty Chang**

**Rotary eClub of Silicon Valley | California, USA**

Entrepreneur. Business Owner. Professional Speaker.  
World Traveler. Rotarian. Rotaractor.

Mitty founded his first company at age 13, and joined the Rotary family as an Interactor when he was 14 years old. Mitty has started two Rotaract Clubs, Big West Rotaract MDIO, and the Rotary eClub of Silicon Valley. Mitty has served as Rotaract Club President, Rotary Club President, Past Chair of the Rotary International Rotaract and Interact Committee, Assistant Rotary Coordinator, Assistant Public Image Coordinator, and many other leadership roles within the Rotary family. Mitty has spoken to Rotarians around the world at District Conferences, International Conventions, International Assembly, Zone Institutes, and everywhere in-between on membership best practices and on how to attract young professionals into Rotary. Based in the San Francisco Bay Area, Mitty is currently the CEO and President at Candeavor, an award-winning digital agency that provides web development and digital marketing services to companies throughout the country. In his free time, Mitty loves to food adventure and to travel.

## TIME Kid Of The Year

# ORION JEAN



**Orion Jean is an 12-year-old sixth grader from Texas . . .**

After winning a national kindness speech contest, he used his prize money to start the “Race to Kindness” campaign. His initiatives include the Race to 500 Toys, the Race to 100,000 Meals, and the Race to 500,000 Books.

Orion’s pursuit of kindness is fueled by this simple mantra: “If you see a problem, fix it.”

He is the author of *A Kids Book About Leadership*; a book focused on inspiring the young (and young-at-heart) to develop the leader inside of them. He is also the host of an upcoming podcast, *Growing up with Orion Jean*, focused on asking icons, legends, and changemakers about the “one thing” they wish they knew at his age.

Orion was selected as the 2021 Time “Kid of the Year.” He has been featured on *Ellen*, *Good Morning America*, *The Kelly Clarkson Show*, *CBS Evening News*, *ABC World News*, and numerous local, national, and international media outlets.



## Friday Speaker



### **Sharon Wherry**

**Rotary Club of Gull Lake Area | Michigan, USA**

In 1995, Sharon Wherry began her Rotary journey by joining the Lincoln, NE Rotary Club #14. She served as President of the 320-member club in 2004-05.

In 2007, she and husband Dan were part of a team of 12 who helped immunize children against polio in Bangladesh. In 2008, they led a team of 14 Rotarians who worked on a District 5650 project in Zambia, ultimately installing 45 water wells. And in 2009, they joined Past Rotary International President DK Lee and helped plant a forest in Tanzania and secured school desks and chairs in Zanzibar.

Dan and Sharon have hosted six Rotary Youth Exchange students. She served as District Governor for eastern NE and SW Iowa from 2008-09 and had the highest Rotary International giving in her Zone. They are Level 8 Paul Harris Fellows and Sharon is a Major Donor.

She is a graduate of Vassar College and currently serves as the Chair of the Grants Committee for the Gull Lake Area Rotary Club which she joined in 2021.

**TOGETHER, WE**

**END POLIO**

## Friday Speaker



### **Wooj Byun**

**Rotary Club of Edina | Minnesota, USA**

Wooj Byun is a Minnesota-based attorney, community leader, Rotarian, and Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar. He is a dynamic speaker on the subject of “Service above Self,” having been invited to many Rotary conferences and the RI Convention in Seoul. He has published a book, *My Rotary Journey*.

Wooj was born in Korea, where he studied law, and graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School. He has lived and worked in Seoul, Hong Kong, and Minneapolis.

He has been an advisor to the South Korean president on the subject of reunification of the two Koreas.

He has also served as Chair of the Asian Advisory Committee at the University of Minnesota, and President of the Minnesota Korean Association. During his time as Chair of the Asian Pacific Cultural Center during Governor Jesse Ventura’s administration, he raised over \$1 million.

He is Past President of the Rotary Club of Edina, and is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow. He lives in Edina with his wife Jennifer, who is also a Paul Harris fellow, and their two daughters.

## Friday and Saturday Speaker



### **Donald Clinebell**

#### **Rotary Club of San Clemente Sunrise | California, USA**

Donald Clinebell is a distinguished author, lawyer, speaker, leadership coach, and a man of service. Donald is in great demand as a motivational and keynote speaker and lecturer in the fields of Leadership and Service.

He is a Charter Member of the San Clemente Sunrise Rotary Club, and has served as an Assistant Governor five times. In the year of his leadership, San Clemente Sunrise earned numerous awards and more than doubled its membership. Donald is founder of San Clemente Sunrise's multiple-award winning 7th Inning Stretch Middle School Mentoring and Tutoring Program for middle school kids at risk.

Donald is the author of four books: *The Service Driven™ Life*, *Extraordinary Living*, *The Service Driven™ Leader*, and *The Service Driven™ Leader Workbook*. The *The Service Driven™ Life/Extraordinary Living* Facebook page, titled "The Service Driven™ Life/Extraordinary Living" has over 63,000 followers, growing daily. His leadership training retreats and seminars are consistently filled to capacity, receiving rave reviews.

## Saturday Speaker



**Doug Logan**

**Rotary Club of Halifax Harbour | Nova Scotia, Canada**

Doug Logan is a member of the Rotary Club of Halifax Harbour in Ontario. He is currently Rotary Coordinator for Zone 28. Rotary Zone Coordinators are membership champions tasked with supporting districts and clubs to increase membership and enhance the membership experience. Zone 28 consists of 20 districts, 1,000 clubs with 32,000 members in Canada (except for British Columbia), Alaska and parts of Maine, New York, Michigan and Washington State.

Doug is a retired management consultant. He is a Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary Benefactor and Rotary Bequest Society member. As a Rotary Coordinator, Doug's focus is on innovation and strengthening Rotary for the future. To this end, Doug and his team of Assistant Rotary Coordinators and Innovative Club Advocates are implementing an action plan focused on growing club membership and starting new clubs.



**Dr. Arun Gupta**

**Rotary Club of Monroe | Michigan, USA**

Dr. Arun Gupta is a Rotarian, and works as an addiction doctor and primary care family physician and has practiced for 30 years. He is board-certified in Addiction Medicine with the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) and is a Certified Medical Review Officer. He is currently affiliated with Promedica Regional Monroe Hospital.

Over the years of treating addiction patients, Dr. Gupta has seen firsthand the devastation and heartbreak caused to families, and has a passion for stopping the opioid crisis that is claiming so many lives. He is Chair of the North American Rotary Action Group for Medication Treatment, and spoke at the Rotary International convention in Houston.

He has given over 200 presentations on addiction, and enjoys teaching and mentoring medical students, NPs, and PAs through his practice.

Dr. Gupta is the author of the acclaimed book, *The Preventable Epidemic: A Frontline Doctor's Experience and Recommendations to Resolve America's Opioid Crisis*.

He and his wife live in Monroe, Michigan, where he practices medicine. They have three grown children who are all physicians.





**Edwin Velarde**

**Rotary Club of Westlake | California, USA**

Edwin Velarde, a member of the Rotary Club of Westlake Village, California, is President of the Rotarian Action Group for Diabetes, and is the founder of EPiC Journey Against Diabetes.

Suffering from type-1 diabetes for three decades, Edwin developed a new nutrition program, and with cycling has turned his condition around.

He now dedicates his newfound energy to raising awareness about diabetes, including long-distance bike rides in conjunction with several recent RI Conventions. He has also been featured in Rotarian magazine.

Edwin organized a highly successful cycling fundraising event in California that, with the Gates match, raised over \$100,000 and promoted awareness of PolioPlus. His Rotary Club has completed many events that created awareness of the global water crisis and helped fund Rotary clean water projects in countries such as Thailand and Honduras.

He has developed and managed many Rotary projects in the Philippines, including one to provide wheelchairs, another to provide school supplies following a supertyphoon, and another to provide clean water to villages.

**ROTARY  
ACTION  
GROUPS**



Area of Focus:

**DISEASE PREVENTION  
AND TREATMENT**



**Michelle Skedgell (L)**  
**George Gormley (R)**



**Pollinator Garden Project (2022)**  
District Conference, Lansing, Michigan

**Michelle Skedgell**, a long-time member of the Hastings Rotary Club, joined Pierce Cedar Creek Institute, an 850-acre nature center in Barry County, Michigan, in 2001 as Executive Director. She is active in the community serving on the Barry County Parks and Recreation Board, Barry Career Access Network Board, the Natural Resource Action Team, and currently serving on the Leadership Barry County Advisory Board. Michelle grew up in Iowa and received her BS degree from San Jose State University many years ago in Journalism/Public Relations.

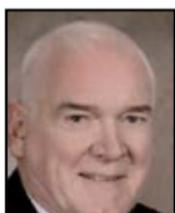
**Georgiana “George” Gormley** retired as a senior project manager in technology and joined the Rotary Club of Harbor Country in 2018. After being president of her club, George got involved with Operation Pollination, a Rotary Action Group effort. George has enjoyed encouraging clubs to get involved in environmental projects. Her favorite partnership thus far has been working with Michelle Skedgell of Hastings Rotary to create the Pollinator Garden at the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum during the 2022 District 6360 Conference held in Lansing, Michigan.

**Steve Diller** joined the Rotary Club of Harbor Country four years ago. A decades-old focus on prairie restoration led to his Rotary efforts to regenerate Southwest Michigan’s forest and prairie ecosystems. His career in innovation strategy in Silicon Valley gave him skills in collaborative problem-solving, skills he applies to help Rotary work with a wide variety of stakeholders, to accelerate ecological restoration. Steve is the Environmental Committee Chair for his club.



**Steve Diller (R)**

In Memoriam - Rotary District 6360



**William "Doc" Addison**  
Jonesville  
1937-2022



**BettyLou Ahrens**  
Harbor Country  
1942-2022



**Terrence J. Allen**  
Lakeshore  
1945-2023



**L. Daryl Baker**  
Charlotte  
1938-2022



**Arthur Bolt**  
South Haven  
1943-2022



**Dennis L. Bowen**  
St. Joseph & Benton Harbor  
1943-2022



**Robert D. Britigan Jr.**  
Kalamazoo  
1936-2022



**Jack Chandler**  
St. Joseph & Benton Harbor  
1931-2023



**Sherry Coupe**  
Saugatuck-Douglas  
1940-2022



**James E. Dal Ponte**  
Three Rivers  
1929-2022

**Tara Draper**  
Lansing  
1970-2022



**Sharon Dudgeon**  
Berrien Springs-Eau Claire  
1956-2022



**Richard L. Ertz**  
Portage  
1935-2022



**Theophilus E. Fox**  
Jonesville  
1931-2022



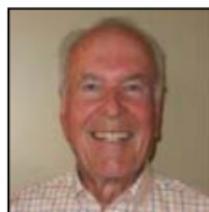
**Carol Ann Goodell**  
Dowagiac  
1946-2022



**Keith G Harrison**  
Eaton Rapids  
1950-2023



**Robert Henning**  
Jackson-Breakfast  
1930-2023



**Allan Hirt**  
Haslett-Okemos  
1936-2022

In Memoriam - Rotary District 6360



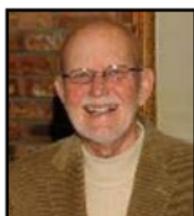
**Herbert R. Hunn**  
Paw Paw Lake  
1948-2023



**Mark Hurray**  
Lakeshore  
1957-2022



**Richard Johnson**  
Coldwater Twp Sunrise  
1939-2023



**George B. King**  
Lakeshore  
1931-2022



**Oliver O. Kingsbury**  
Lansing - Dewitt Sunrise  
1943-2022



**Larry R. Klett**  
Lakeshore  
1940-2022



**Michael P Livovich**  
South Haven  
1951-2022



**Roger Niemeyer**  
East Lansing  
1928-2022



**Teresa Osborne**  
Cereal City Sunrise  
1971-2022



**Vernon Chauncey Olcott**  
Allegan  
1948-2022



**Donald A. Rademacher**  
St. Johns  
1944-2023



**Marilyn Schlimgen**  
Constantine  
1948-2022



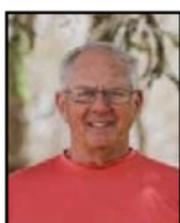
**Robina Quale-Leach**  
Albion  
1931-2022



**Shirley Siew**  
Dewitt Sunrise  
1925-2022



**Michael F. Simon**  
Portage  
1939-2022



**Jack L. Smith**  
Litchfield  
1940-2022



**David S. Ticknor**  
Kalamazoo  
1941-2022



**Thell M. Woods**  
Kalamazoo  
1939-2022

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FOR YOUR  
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## 2023 Planning Committee

**DG:** Kathy Gallagher - Battle Creek

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Wyoma Smith - Delton

Don Sovey - Charlotte

Donna Tellum - Gull Lake

Don Waskiewicz - Mason

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... I extend my sincerest appreciation to those who planned and volunteered at this celebration. You have been great to work with!

- District Governor Kathy

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## The People Who Maintain The Fire | Potawatomi Nation

“The Potawatomi Nation encompassed lands along the Southeastern shoreline of Lake Michigan, from Detroit to Grand Rivers, and southward into Northern Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. Tribal Members were later forced to cede the remainder of their “reserved lands” contained within the “Notawasepe Reserve” and were relocated to lands west of the Mississippi River.

During this removal, referred to as the Trail of Death, a group of Tribal Members escaped and returned to their native lands in Michigan. Now the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribe resides on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation in Fulton, Michigan.”

Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi





## Entertainment by Charlotte Acoustic Project featuring *Don Sovey and Kat Jones*

### Vocalist and Percussion

**Kat Jones** has been active in musical theatre and recording for 30 years, and while she is versatile in many musical genres, she has a deep love for jazz. Her vocal stylings create new depth of harmonies for FRENZ, opening new opportunities for Motown, jazz standards, and The Great American Songbook in our set list.

### Archtop Guitar, Banjo, Ukulele, Vocals

**Don Sovey** has served as guitarist with symphony orchestras in Lansing, Toledo, Battle Creek, and performs regularly with the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra including performances of Disney's Ratatouille, a Marvin Hamlisch Tribute, and with world-renowned vocalist Jackie Evancho. He has played in 23 National Touring Broadway Musicals at Wharton Center, Devos Performance Hall, and Miller Auditorium. Recently he performed in orchestras for the national tours of Motown the Musical, The Carol King Musical, and Chicago the Musical.



## The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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