CHRONICLES OF THE January 04, Issue NO. 147 2018 **ROTARY OF MURRAY Ouote of** "I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, the Day pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something." Neil Gaiman This Mike Crook, the Director of Angel's Attic, will share his mission and objectives. Kenny Roth will introduce him. Week The Murray Women's Club Choral Ensemble sang. This was a special event Last that Roger Reichmuth arranged for us as we closed out the year 2017. For Week nearly five decades, the Murray Women's Club has fielded a choir. Keeping this tradition alive, six youthful ladies, the minimum number to qualify as an ensemble, and their accompanying pianist performed a wide range of songs and styles. The sound of angels' voices is rarely heard these days, but if it were, one imagines that it would resemble the quality of these choristers. White Christmas better than Bing, a jazzy rendition of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, and Silver Bells sung creatively, reminded us that "Christmastime is no time to diet"! We all stood and joined in to Joy to the World and O Come All Ye Faithful. Only the severely distracted left our meeting less edified. Morgan Carmen & Michelle Hanson from Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Next will speak with us about their project and concerns. Week Michelle Bundren, Landon Thomas, Stephanie Hunter, Doug Mullins, Susan **Our Guests** Zweedyk, David Smart, Lee Robbins, Jay Robbins, Colt Robbins, Connie

Club Member Birthdays This Week: None this week, but a lot next week!

Last Week

Club member anniversaries this month: Jerry Penner (12), Robert Norsworthy (16), Marti Erwin (15), Libby Slaton (14), Byron Peacher (13), Gene Schanbacher (62), David Howe (17), Tawnya Hunter (17), John McConnell (04), Andy Graham (04), John Gore (16), & Steve Owens (16)

Norsworthy, Jung Woo Hong, Hee Ju Hong, Sung Ho Hong, & Teresa Speed

TODAY'S AGENDA	The Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Do, and Say
Songsters: Jayne Crisp & Mark Welch Rotary Four Way Test Invocation: Bryon Peacher Songs: Get Together Song & Auld Lang Syne Sergeant at Arms: Terry Little Introduction: Kenny Roth Speaker: Mike Crook	1. Is it the truth? 2. Is it fair to all concerned? 3. Will it build good will & better friendships? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Rotary Rumors

Pete Lancaster brayely lead us in song in this our last meeting of the year. Intimidated in the presence of real vocalist, our songs were humble and brief. There was little courage to sing Christmas carols. Nancy Mieure reminded us that we were not meeting next Thursday. James Gallimore attempted to auction Racer basketball tickets; apparently everyone already had a busy holiday schedule. We received a card from the 101st Airborne. The Murray High Student of the Month was introduced: Jun Wo Hung, a scholar, athlete, leader, referee, and no stranger to being yelled at by frustrated parents, admitted that Murray State was a fine school, but he would be going to the University of Louisville on his way to becoming a dentist. Once more, Steven Hunter stepped to the microphone. After promising to behave himself, he welcomed our many guests, which included Santa Claus traveling incognito. He then lead us in a round of Happy Birthday for the only Rotarian, Pete Lancaster, among the many having a birthday this week and next, brave enough to attend the meeting. There was abuse for the civic leaders among us to be doled out. A few from the long list would include Johnny Bohannon, Bob Billington, and Burton Young on the City Council approving a Kenlake initiative; they were called upon to pull their wallets from their pockets. Jason Anderson delivered good auditing reports to both the Calloway County and the Murray Independent School Districts; his labor required him to pay a fine. Mayor Jack Rose had to relinquish a dollar because he read in public. Bob Davies was spied at a tour of the new spec building in the West Industrial Park. Bob Hargrove, Andy Graham, LaCosta Hays, Stuart Poston, Steven Hunter, Chief Jeff Liles, Mike Davis, and Mayor Jack Rose celebrated the completion of the bank expansion while the Sergeant at Arms rejoiced in hitting the mother load. Bill Marcum supporting Need Line, as well as other civic activities did not go unpunished. Sheriff Sam Steger announced the creation of a pair of drop-off sites for expired medication. Keith Travis and Don Rowlett were present for a donation toward the endowment supporting 3D mammography. Don Robertson was inducted into the College Personnel Association of Kentucky Hall of Fame. These and other leaders lost money doing the good work they do.

A new project, or rather, an old project reborn, has been initiated. With Steven Hunter at the helm and Tawnya Hunter, Nancy Mieure, Miranda Terry, Michael Robinson, Molly Ross, and Sandy Linn, as hearty crew, tried and true, our club will sponsor the 24th Annual District Speech Contest with the theme, "Making a Difference." Planning is still in the early stages and the date has yet to be set; however, the support of both the Murray and Calloway County High Schools has been gained and the committee is reaching out to the Eastwood Christian Academy and the home school network. This Rotary event is co-sponsored with the Calloway County Public Library, the Hazel Woman's Club, and the Murray Woman's Club. The Club contest will be held in the first quarter of 2018; the Sectional Contest will be in mid-late March; the Regional contest in late April and mid-May, and the Final will be in Paducah in early June. Details are still being developed and more information will soon be forthcoming!

What's Coming Up?

The next *Bill Wells Make a Difference Day* is Saturday, January 13th, 2018. Out special feature will be batteries taken by *Interstate Batteries*! If you're on the committee or want to help out (and you'd be most welcomed) then huddle up for a few minutes with Bill Marcum immediately after the Thursday lunch meeting next week, on the 11th.