

<b>November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>CHRONICLES OF THE ROTARY OF MURRAY</b>	<b>Issue NO. 190</b>
<b>Quote of the Day</b>	“Three things in human life are important. The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. And the third is to be kind.” Henry James	
<b>This Week</b>	Don Rowlett will introduce Chris Nelson, the Executive Vice President, who will let us in on what’s happening at AGC of Western Kentucky, an award winning chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America. We’ll also meet the Student of the Month from Calloway County High.	
<b>Last Week</b>	When it comes to the scheduled program, sometimes one must be flexible. In the absence of Jeff Liles, a member of the Gentry House Board, and Allison Alexander, the Interim Executive Director, Diana Thomason brought Heidi Shultz, the President of the Gentry House Board to the podium to address the topic at hand. The members of the Board believe that all persons experiencing a housing crisis deserve access to resources that foster self-respect and inhibit worry. Started in 1997 and named after Kathie Gentry, the Gentry House provides shelter, transportation, referrals and resources to those who need emergency, temporary accommodations. Most of their good work escapes the limelight because their services are confidential and their clientele vulnerable. Applicants must have custody of children and dependents regardless of age, be residents of Calloway County or remaining in the area after staying in the shelter, and be seeking employment or education as well as permanent housing during their stay. Over the past year, 34 families (114 individuals) have been served. Heidi mentioned that they were looking for Board members. Their funding comes from multiple sources and remains precarious. Donations and volunteers are always welcomed. You might place on your calendar now the 7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Gentry House Derby Party on Saturday, May 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2019, which is their big fundraiser. More information can always be found at <a href="http://www.gentryhouse.org">www.gentryhouse.org</a> .	
<b>Next Week</b>	Bob Hargrove will introduce Tony Brannon, who will tell us about Rural Urban Day. There is no meeting on the following Thursday, which is Thanksgiving.	
<b>Our Guests Last Week</b>	Anne Marie Tanner, Dawn Therrell, Elise Eaton, David Eaton, Jocelyn Eaton, Annaston Young, Brad Young, & Teresa Speed	
<b>Club Member Birthdays This Week:</b> Charles Taylor		
<b>Club member anniversaries this month:</b> Nancy Lovett (‘97), Dan McNutt (‘85), David Roos (‘73), Stuart Poston (‘72), Bill Crass (‘97), Don Robertson (‘91), Miranda Terry (‘16), Brian Edwards (‘08), Chase Wallace (‘08), Lisa Shoemaker (‘08), Gary Brockway (‘98), & Hawkins Teague (‘17)		

<b>TODAY’S AGENDA</b>	The Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Do, and Say
Songsters: Mark Welch & Jayne Crisp Rotary Four Way Test Invocation: Gene Schanbacher Songs: <i>Shine on Harvest Moon</i> & <i>Tell Me Why</i> Sergeant at Arms: Jayne Crisp Introduction: Don Rowlett Speaker: Chris Nelson	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is it the truth?</li> <li>2. Is it fair to all concerned?</li> <li>3. Will it build good will &amp; better friendships?</li> <li>4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?</li> </ol>
<b>Rotary Rumors</b>	
<p>Each Rotarian’s tickets to the <u>Tom Rushing Memorial Ham Breakfast</u> on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, were attached to her or his nametag, which were pocketed prior to <i>scanning your badge</i>. Mignon Reed brought Teresa Speed, the Principal of Murray High School, to the podium to introduce the October <i>and</i> November Students of the Month. Annaston Young somehow finds time to work at the Cheri Theater and volunteer at Soup for the Soul while engaging in a long list of extracurricular activities and maintaining a perfect GPA. She even takes dual credit classes with Murray State, which she will attend in the fall. Likewise, Elise Eaton works at Matt B’s Main Street Pizza and volunteers at her church while participating in Band and French Club as well as keeping up her grades. She too, plans to join Murray State in the fall. Diana Thomason directed our attention to one of the sign-up sheets on the table; this one related to the <i>Sleep in Heavenly Peace</i> Build-a-Bed Construction Day on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM at the Rotary Amphitheater in the Park. Don’t be concerned if you’re not an experienced carpenter; training and supervision will be provided on site! Deana Wright encouraged the assembly to sign-up to help in the kitchen on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup>. You don’t want to miss the fun and fellowship that always takes place at the annual Ham Breakfast! Byron Peacher pointed out the sign-up sheet for the Veterans Day Parade on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Help carry the flag! Clearly, no Rotarian in Murray has cause to complain that there is nothing to do. Roger Reichmuth took the podium to explain the envelopes he had personally distributed concerning Phase III of the Rotary Amphitheater &amp; Performing Arts Pavilion construction. The committee seeks \$22,500 to add to the funds already secured through grants and matching fund commitments. Construction is already underway and the objective is to cut the ribbon in the spring. Can you help underwrite this showcase in our community? Jason Freeman stood to assume the duties of Sergeant-at-Arms. Taking the craft of public speaking to a level heretofore eschewed, he raised mispronunciation to an art and extracted dollars from the congregation, including the last one in Steven Hunter’s wallet. Happy Dollars brought attention to the grace so many of us find daily in our lives. The Murray High Band, today’s Students of the Month, and men concerned enough, and brave, to wear pink were raised more than once.</p>	
<b>What’s Coming Up?</b>	
The annual <i>Tom Rushing Memorial Ham Breakfast</i> fundraiser will occur on Saturday from 7 to 10 AM. There is a shout out to the good folks at the Murray Bank for their sponsorship and to the Murray Middle School for the use of their cafeteria. If you haven’t already, please contact Deana Wright, or better yet, take advantage of the sign-up sheet on the table.	