

<p>April 19thth, 2018</p>	<p>CHRONICLES OF THE ROTARY OF MURRAY</p>	<p>Issue NO. 162</p>
<p>Quote of the Day</p>	<p>“I’ve run some of my best times when I’ve seen a few bolts shooting out of the sky.” Keith Travis</p>	
<p>This Week</p>	<p>The 4-H Robotics Teams are coming! The program will be introduced by Carmen Garland.</p>	
<p>Last Week</p>	<p>After Cathy Morris introduced him, Fred Workman presented on the <i>Soldier for Life – Transition Assistance Program</i>, otherwise known in military parlance as SFL-TAP. Cathy introduced Captain Kris Sibbaluca as well, both are from Ft. Campbell, home of the 101st Airborne. This important program prepares soldiers and their families for transition from active military service to post-service employment, college or trade school, and entrepreneurship. In this vein, Mr. Workman is looking for local business and agency leaders to assist them as they teach soldiers how to capitalize on their experience and schedule regular job fairs or other hiring events. Over the last two years nearly 10,000 soldiers have mustered out of the Army at Ft. Campbell; many are hoping to settle in the local region. He suggests that anyone looking to hire could hardly do better than veterans. They have inculcated such characteristics as loyalty to team, reliable work ethic, motivated productivity, comprehensive communication skills, as well as drive and ambition. Beyond these “soft” skills, many of these vets exiting their national service are well trained in specific technical areas. Much of this training is documented through their Career Skills Program. Mr. Workman encouraged anyone interested to e-mail him at usarmy.jobs4vets.campbell@mail.mil or call him at (270) 798-6507 for further details.</p>	
<p>Next Week</p>	<p>Jayne Crisp will introduce members from the First Responders Program.</p>	
<p>Our Guests Last Week</p>	<p>Linda Cherry, Fred Workman, Capt. Kris Sibbaluca, Ezra Banks, Aleshia Banks, & Steve Smith</p>	
<p>Club Member Birthdays This Week: Gerald Washington & Sal Matarazzo</p>		
<p>Club member anniversaries this month: Joe Dick (‘67), Bill Kopperud (‘76), Nancy Mieure (‘02), Terry Canerdy (‘02), & Laurie Lorenz (‘17)</p>		
<p>TODAY’S AGENDA</p>	<p>The Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Do, and Say</p>	

Songsters: Jayne Crisp & Roger Reichmuth
Rotary Four Way Test
Invocation: Greg Taylor
Songs: *Robots (Home) on the Range & R-O-T-A-R-Y*
Sergeant at Arms: Carmen Garland
Introduction: Carmen Garland
Speakers: 4-H Robotics Team

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

According to Nancy Mieux, our club continues to lead the district in number of registrants for the District Conference in Paducah, June 1-2. Amidst the dynamic program, recognized motivational speaker and author Andy Andrews will share his inspirational wisdom. Nancy also announced that Pam Wurgler was GTT ("going to Texas"). She will soon be sorely missed at the piano keys and in our community. Kay Zweedyk stood once more to ask for help distributing flyers promoting the upcoming *Murray Rotary Bass Tournament*, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 30th. The primary promotion tactic is to place flyers on parked vehicles at fishing tournaments. Please reach out to Kay Zweedyk to sign up for a particular fishing tournament and help get the word out. Alice Rouse relayed the Heart of the Park Award she accepted on the club's behalf. Vernon Gantt gave a Paul Harris Fellow +1 pin to Stuart Alexander. Carmen Garland stood to update us about the club's participation in the Andy & Elmer Apple Dumplin' Adventure Project. Annually, in April, Rotarians volunteer to read an adventure story to all the third graders in the Murray and Calloway County schools. The story gives the Rotarians an opportunity to share the Four-Way Test with children and to present to them activity books related to the story. This year we have seventeen classes with a total of 374 children. It was mentioned that Roger, Don Rowlett, & Bonnie Higginson planted eight ornamental grasses, two Green Mountain Boxwoods, two Red Drift Rose bushes, and a Dwarf Holly yesterday morning. Tawnya Hunter introduced Steve Smith, from Calloway County High School, who in turn introduced Ezra Parks, our Student of the Month. On track to become this spring's Valedictorian with a 4.0 GPA and 31 ACT score, Ezra is well-versed in information technology, computer problem solving, securities, investments, community service, not to mention Spanish. Of course, there was rounding applause when it was revealed that he was majoring in Economics at Murray State in the fall. Roger Reichmuth assumed his role as Sergeant at Arms. After homage was paid to guests and birthdays, the fines commenced. Mark Welch continues to shell out for his involvement in the Barkley Bridge crash. Hawkins Teague may have gotten in for free but his movie review in the newspaper cost him a dollar. Jerry Penner was in the paper but Keith Travis had to pay. Ed Davis was named Board Member of the Year at the Parks appreciation Banquet. Jack Rose's involvement with the Weeks Community Center yielded a buck. In spite of her attempt to hide in the back, Miranda Terry was spied in a photograph of the Murray Woman's Club. Bob Hargrove honors the employee of the month at the bank and had to relinquish a dollar. Jack Rose, who had lined out his dollar bills on the table before him in anticipation, was fined again for recognizing National Service Recognition Day. Bill Marcum stood proudly with our veterans and gave a greenback. Happy Dollars were given in abundance in acknowledgement of blessings received. Last week's speakers, the opening of the ADA playground, today's Student of the Month, and MSU's ROTC program were all mentioned multiple times.

What's Coming Up?

The members of the Backpack Project Committee have selected their team captains and accumulated the items for the backpacks. This week they will be collecting names of those who would like to help assemble and/or distribute the backpacks. Ruth James-Daniel will make an announcement during today's meeting about how you can help and how you can sign-up. There should be forms on the table. Members of the committee will meet immediately after today's program.