

<p>April 26th, 2018</p>	<p>CHRONICLES OF THE ROTARY OF MURRAY</p>	<p>Issue NO. 163</p>
<p>Quote of the Day</p>	<p>“At the end of your life, you will never regret not having passed one more test, not winning one more verdict or not closing one more deal. You will regret time not spent with a husband, a friend, a child, or a parent.” Barbara Bush</p>	
<p>This Week</p>	<p>Jayne Crisp will introduce members from the First Responders Program.</p>	
<p>Last Week</p>	<p>Over a dozen brilliant students on three teams showed us their amazing robots! Of course, as Jeff Slaton emphasized, these were much more than robots; each was a cross-fit workout for the muscle upstairs. Stephanie Holcomb underscored the experience gained in presentation and teamwork as well as in project design and programming. One of her students called the experience, “life-changing.” Christy Mattingly likewise focused on building skills in budgeting, business planning, and outside of the box thinking, in addition to coding, engineering, and CAD illustrating. Jeff noted that the students don’t simply build robots; they construct connections and devise real solutions to problems. One of his students insisted that beyond knowing an answer, participation in the problem is “about the struggle and what it takes to solve it.” Intelligence, inspiration, and initiative characterized the young learners. Their instructors are teachers indeed! There is a foundation called <i>FIRST</i> which is designed to inspire young people’s interest and participation in science and technology, and to pursue education and career opportunities in STEM fields. If you’d like to learn more about it then reach out to Jeff Slaton at jslaton@usfirst.org.</p>	
<p>Next Week</p>	<p>Carmen Garland is working on something. Don’t know what it is yet but it will undoubtedly be good!</p>	
<p>Our Guests Last Week</p>	<p>Mark Mills, Jonette DeWitt, Shannon Thomas, Jennifer Speed, Abongo Adongo, & Ronald Adongo, Stephanie Holcomb, Christy Mattingly, Jeff Slaton, Nathaniel Sheridan, Caroline Mattingly, Matthew Johnston, Logan Mattingly, Noah Holcomb, Asher Cunningham, Sara Grace Mattingly, Gabe Holcomb, Abigail Mattingly, Julian Hunt, Isaac Anderson, Andia Naranja, and India Keronja</p>	
<p>Club Member Birthdays This Week: Gregory Taylor, Mignon Reed, Michael Ramage, Alice Rouse, Chase Wallace, Vernon Gantt, & Marti Erwin</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: Pam Wurgler & Roger Reichmuth
Rotary Four Way Test
Invocation: Robin Esau
Songs: *When You're Smiling* & *Hey, Look "Them" Over*
Sergeant at Arms: Terry Little
Introduction: Jayne Crisp
Speakers: First Responders Program

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

Roger Reichmuth roused our spirits as he lead us in a creative revision of *Home on the Range*, "where the droids and the golems do play." First to the podium was Scott Adair, who was looking for a few good lawns to mow. There is a young leader from Alabama who has a goal to mow lawns in all fifty states of the union under the auspices of the Raising Men initiative supported by Briggs & Stratton. If you know of anyone who needs their grass cut then contact Scott. Ruth James-Daniel updated the congregation on the progress of the Backpack Project. Volunteers are needed to assemble the components and distribute the packs. The committee got together immediately after the meeting to further coordinate the endeavor. Nancy Mieure announced that, sadly, we no longer lead the district in registrants to the District Conference in Paducah, June 1-2. We're running a close second and a burst of registrations could place us back in the lead. If you are interested in sponsoring a vendor's booth, contact Keith Travis. Jayne Crisp reminded the assembly that opportunities remained to help distribute flyers at bass fishing tournaments promoting our own fundraiser. Please contact Kay Zweedyk. Mignon Reed came to the pulpit to introduce Jennifer Speed, from Murray High School, who introduced our Student of the Month, Abongo Adongo. Mr. Adongo is a National Merit Scholar (the only one in this year's Senior Class), who is also an athlete-musician involved in animal husbandry. He's attending Murray State in the fall but has his eyes on Duke and a medical career in neurosurgery. Carmen Garland assumed the duties of Sergeant-at-Arms and began distributing fines based on her clippings from the previous week's newspaper. Penalties were extracted from Jack Rose and Johnny Bohannon for lowering our taxes. Murray State's ROTC program earned an award, which cost John Yates a dollar. A photo of the crowd at the CCHS greenhouse ribbon cutting earned a few dollars from the Rotarians honest enough to admit their presence amidst the throng. Of course, Keith Travis was fined for making a painful choice and his support of undeterred love in a storm. Steven Hunter's graduation picture compelled him to relinquish a buck. John Mark Roberts was the subject of a story related to his re-election campaign, which raises the question of whether the payment of fines is allowable under campaign finance regulations. Gene Schanbacher attended a 100th birthday celebration that was not his own. Others were caught in Carmen's net but space restrictions plague the author. Happy Dollars brought numerous blessings to light. Delight in the presence of today's presenters, composed the central theme of thanksgiving. Bill Kopperud gave \$41 dollars for 41 years in Rotary, while Asia Burnett celebrated the end of fundraising and Terry Little the advent of hummingbirds.

What's Coming Up?

The members of the Backpack Project Committee have selected their team captains and accumulated the items for the backpacks. 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.