

<p>April 5thth, 2018</p>	<p>CHRONICLES OF THE ROTARY OF MURRAY</p>	<p>Issue NO. 160</p>
<p>Quote of the Day</p>	<p>“It ain’t what you don’t know that gets you into trouble. It’s what you know for sure that ain’t so.” Mark Twain</p>	
<p>This Week</p>	<p>Mike Mansfield and other members of the Honor Flight Bluegrass Board will speak about their work honoring combat veterans from WWII, Korea, & Vietnam. Nancy Mieure will perform the introductions.</p>	
<p>Last Week</p>	<p>After Vernon Gantt introduced Ruth James-Daniel, who actually needed no introduction, she talked about her recent trip to Guatemala on our behalf. Representing our club under the auspices of <i>Living Waters for the World</i>, a nonprofit that trains and supports teams in establishing international programs that install water purification systems in communities with contaminated water, Ruth traveled to several villages to assist with the installation of clean water systems. Teams are organized around three aspects of the project: project management and relationship development, health education curriculum, and system installation and maintenance. All three are required in order to maximize the impact of the venture. Guatemala is the largest of the organization’s networks with 171 active water systems, which is good because 99% of the waterways in Guatemala are contaminated. In terms of results, she mentioned that in one school where a water purification system was installed, five to seven children were regularly absent each week due to diarrhea, stomach cramps, and nausea; after the clean water became available, there were zero absences due to such maladies. Other systems were placed in community fire stations, churches, and other schools. At the conclusion of her report, Vernon Gantt and Jayne Crisp presented a Paul Harris Fellow pin to a surprised Ruth.</p>	
<p>Next Week</p>	<p>After being introduced by Keith Travis, Colonel Craig Alia will return to the podium with an update on what’s happening with the 101st Airborne at Ft. Campbell. These men and women are becoming increasingly involved in our (and <i>their</i>) community.</p>	
<p>Our Guests Last Week</p>	<p>Peggy Billington, Beth Clark, John Carrico, Kevin Krause, & Mike Mansfield</p>	
<p>Club Member Birthdays This Week: Angelia Boyd & Charles Tucker</p>		
<p>Club member anniversaries this month: Joe Dick (‘67), Bill Kopperud (‘76), Nancy Mieure (‘02), Terry Canerdy (‘02), & Laurie Lorenz (‘17)</p>		

TODAY'S AGENDA	The Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Do, and Say
Songsters: Jayne Crisp & Asia Burnett Rotary Four Way Test Invocation: Robert Baker Songs: <i>America the Beautiful & Battle Hymn of the Republic</i> Sergeant at Arms: Mark Welch Introduction: Nancy Mieuse Speakers: Honor Flight Bluegrass Board	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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

After Roger Reichmuth roused our spirits with some earnest song mastering, Diana Thomason, reminded us about the District Conference in Paducah, June 1-2. Recognized motivational speaker and author Andy Andrews will share his inspirational wisdom; you don't want to miss that! The early bird registration deadline is April 17th.

Tony Earls stood to give a report on the success of the *Bill Wells Make a Difference Day*, which occurred the previous Saturday morning. The accuracy of his conversion from pounds to tons was, um, ... less than might be hoped for; nonetheless, his data was an accurate estimate of the actual number. There were 334 vehicles (compared to 252 during March 2017) that left behind 49 pairs of shoes, 387 pairs of glasses, 30 gallons of old medication, 655 lbs. of books, 2500 lbs. of plastic, 2500 lbs. of cardboard & paper, half a wagon of aluminum cans, 2860 lbs. of e-scrap, 1080 lbs. of glass, about nine lawn bags of clothing & house hold items, and 325 batteries. All of which benefited the community and stayed out of the landfill! The next *Bill Wells Make a Difference Day* is May 19th.

Steven Hunter gave a report about the *Jackson Purchase Sectional Speech Contest*, which is part of the 24th Annual District Rotary Speech Contest, held last Sunday. The theme was "Making a Difference" and the MC was Steven Hunter. Phoebe Shown, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Murray, placed first. She will be moving on to the regional competition hosted by Cadiz Rotary Club, which will take place on April 24th at 11:30 AM, at the Johnson-Tyler Community Center in Cadiz.

Kay Zweedyk stood to ask for help distributing flyers promoting the upcoming *Murray Rotary Bass Tournament*, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 30th. The fishing season is upon us and 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.

Steven Hunter returned to the pulpit to perform the duties of Sergeant-at-Arms. There simply is not enough room to note all the fines that were assessed. A highlight might include Mark Welch who is blowing up bridges, Miranda Terry who is promoting health, Bob Hargrove, Stuart Poston, Jerry Penner, & Keith Travis who are giving and receiving large checks, Gerald Washington who is helping others to read, and Kaye Zweedyk who is donating equipment, as well as many others who were related to, associated with, tangentially connected to, or otherwise aware of someone in the news.

What's Coming Up?

The *Max Hurt Memorial Golf Tournament* is Friday, June 29th. The rain date is July 6th. The event will be at the Murray Country Club Golf Course. Lunch and registration is at noon; shotgun begins at 1 PM. LaCosta Hays, Golf Tournament Chair, is seeking volunteers. Please contact her at (270) 978-0137 or lacosta@mconnellinsurance.com if you can assist or if you would like a flyer.