

<p>May 10th, 2018</p>	<p>CHRONICLES OF THE ROTARY OF MURRAY</p>	<p>Issue NO. 165</p>
<p>Quote of the Day</p>	<p>“Mama exhorted her children at every opportunity to ‘jump at de sun.’ We might not land on the sun, but at least we would get off the ground.” Zora Neale Hurston</p>	
<p>This Week</p>	<p>Greg DeLancey will introduce Mark Hurt, who will speak on the addiction program he is associated with.</p>	
<p>Last Week</p>	<p>Carmen Garland introduced our speakers, who comprised part two of our programs focused on emergency response. Chief James Herring from the Murray State University Police Department gave a report. The university is well served by this thirty-year veteran of law enforcement, who oversees a full-service police department focused on keeping students, faculty, staff, and visitors safe. His department underscores communication via multiple routes of messaging and notification, including the <i>TheLiveSafe</i> app. Their community policing approach includes many proactive elements, such as trained and documented incident response plans, <i>Racer Patrol</i> student staff, blue-light emergency phones strategically places across campus, an updated web-site, and the <i>Racer Alert</i> messaging system. Chief Eric Pologruto has served as leader of the Murray Fire Department since 2011. Like the previous speaker, he brings decades of experience to the job. He detailed the structure of the department dedicated to preventing emergencies and effectively responding to those that occur nonetheless. Inspections, education, training, and investigations are all part of this full-service agency, which has three stations with ten to twelve trained specialists per shift.</p>	
<p>Next Week</p>	<p>Time for our club assembly, which means an update on club activities and goals from the directors of our many avenues of service. We’ve not had one since August 10th when the District Governor Missy Eckenberg came to visit.</p>	
<p>Our Guests Last Week</p>	<p>We had no guests last week, which is out of character for our dynamic club of songsters, activist, and leaders.</p>	
<p>Club Member Birthdays This Week: Alas, none this week.</p>		
<p>Club member anniversaries this month: Vernon Gantt (‘75), Bill Allbritten (‘77), Mike Davis (‘14), Ron Churchill (‘96), Eric Penniston (‘90), Burton Young (‘79), Pete Lancaster (‘99), Carolyn Todd (‘16), Brian Stedelin (‘16), Tyler Salyers (‘16), Alice Rouse (‘01), Rick Dye (‘11), Greg DeLancey (‘98), Asia Burnett (‘17), Gerald Washington (‘15), Don Rowlett (‘15), Ed Davis (‘15), & Mignon Reed (‘12)</p>		

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: Chris Wooldridge Songs: <i>America the Beautiful & Sing Out a Song of Rotary</i> Sergeant at Arms: Jason Freeman Introduction: Greg Delancey Speaker: Mark Hurt	<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 fellowship over lunch, we began our meeting with a new old song. According to our music professor, we earned a passable grade. Nancy Mieure announced that our club had taken the lead once more in the number of registrants for the district conference in Paducah. Although the dates are branded in our brains, it may be worth mentioning that they are June 1st & 2nd. Ruth James-Daniel articulated her appreciation for all the help last week in stuffing the backpacks for the second graders. Volunteers were asked to sign-up for a time and destination for delivery. Kay Zweedyk has few more fishing tournaments coming up that need to be canvassed with flyers for our own fundraising tournament. Please contact her if you can help! Likewise, LaCosta Hays announced that registration forms remain available for the approaching golf tournament. Items for goody bags are still being sought and volunteer opportunities persist. Tony Earls got up to remind the congregation that *Bill Wells Make a Difference Day* as coming up fast and publicity poster were available. For the first time in his life, he had the opportunity to say: "Like us on Facebook." Carmen Garland spoke about the Murray Rotary Foundation for Families and Children, whose mission is to help children thrive; and to build, strengthen, and sustain family life. Numerous local agencies and beneficial projects have been supported by the foundation. She asked the twelve members of the board who were present to stand and be recognized. The current fundraising goal is \$100,000. After this rapid succession of announcements reflecting the activity of our club, Steven Hunter, Sergeant at Arms came to the podium to distribute fines. He was met with groans of dread from those who dare to lead amidst the assembly. Typical of a Biblical scholar, his research was thorough and his delivery furious. If the passing plate was paltry in its content, it was due to absenteeism. Jeff Kinsley was caught by the camera relinquishing a big check. Matt Imes and Carmen Garland were fined for permitting their visages to be in a very large ad; likewise Bill Kopperud. The list of participants in the local chapter of the League of Women Voters' candidate forum turned out to be a mother load. Coy Samons and Bob Davies were named multiple times for activities related to graduation; and of course, Jack Rose was spied giving away the key to the city. David Howe managed to get himself into a picture taken at the Taste of Murray event, which if truth be told, could have happened to half the members in the room. This is but a sampling of the fines levied for being related to or associated, however tangentially, with someone mentioned in the newspaper.

What's Coming Up?

The next *Bill Wells Make a Difference Day* will take place on Saturday morning, May 19th. The special feature this time will be tin cans, which will be collected by Calloway County Detention Center. Recently, the agency taking cans clarified their desire to only take aluminum. The jail conducts a fairly robust recycling program, and since they have been long-time supporters of *Make a Difference Day*, they have volunteered to take cans made of tin. Please round up all your tin cans and any that your neighbor may have and bring them down to the stadium on the 19th from 9 AM to Noon. **Please help us promote this event by sharing our Facebook post with your friends.**