

# *“The Mirror”*

## **CHARLOTTE ROTARY CLUB – 10/15/2019**

**GREETER:** Will Saint Amour greeted us.

**INVOCATION:** Tyler Pray.

**SINGING:** Greg Guetschow and Mary June Garn led the chorus in “God Bless America” and “Battle Hymn of the Republic”.

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** PDG Jim Alden.

**GUESTS:** None.

**JR. ROTARIANS:** Our new Jr. Rotarians for October are **Savannah Brown** and **Zac Carlson**.

Savannah is the daughter of Rhonda and Robert Brown. She is active in National Honor Society, Student Council (Vice President), Key Club, Interact (Secretary), Marching Band and Symphony Band. Her Community Service includes teaching Sunday School, Relay for Life and Red Cross Blood Drive. Her plans after high school are to study Forensic Psychology at Spring Arbor College.

Zac is the son of Tracy and Randy Carlson. He is involved in National Honor Society (President), Student Council, PALs, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Marching and Symphony Bands, Varsity Football and Track and Field. He has volunteered with several kids clubs at Washington Elementary and as a church camp counselor. Following graduation he would like to study Archaeology. His choice of college is undecided at this time.



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- ★ The Mason's are considering improvements to the Masonic Temple basement where Rotary meets each week. A proposal was discussed about Rotary fronting the cost for the Masons with Rotary being reimbursed through reduced rent in the future.
- ★ Sam Davis reminded us of the Rotary Reverse Raffle, Friday November 22. Buy, pay for or get your tickets and bring your lucky friends.
- ★ Savannah Brown announced that she was selected as the senior representative for Charlotte High School's Homecoming Court for the rainy homecoming weekend.

**MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:** Mary June Garn was born on a farm in the thumb area of Michigan where her family raised sugar beets. She remembered one year as a child when German POW's served as farm workers. She met Richard Garn at MSU and after they were married, he took a teaching job with Charlotte Public Schools and they moved to Charlotte. Mary June also applied for a teaching position, but the Superintendent had a policy of not hiring spouses, so she taught at Eaton Rapids until her retirement. Mary June and Richard had three children and “oodles” of grandchildren and great grandchildren! (Question for next week – How many grandchildren are in an oodle?)

**50 / 50:** Chic audited the funds for Paul Tomasek who conducted the draw for \$31... Matt Rush was the winner.

**SGT-AT-ARMS:** Vince Ferris garnered funds with the dreaded barrel. He dunned Paul Tomasek for making members beg to buy tickets. Joe E. was fined for something? - his fine was graciously paid by a member of the center table! Max was also fined, but the reason was drowned out by laughter. Jr. Rotarian Zak Carlson gave a sports report announcing that the Orioles were victorious over rival Eaton Rapids and that the Little Brown Jug is back home in Charlotte! Vinnie then finished up by fining the far.

**PROGRAM:** Speaker Rick Todd filled us in on the Crosswalk Teen Center, a 501-C3 after school program for students in grades 7-12. The center serves 40-50 kids each day, and over 500 annually. The kids participate in a variety of activities, including cooking, as kids are always hungry. The center also has computers available for the kids to help with homework, writing music, video editing, and graphic editing for items they create on the center's Laser. Students also create with clay, ceramics and sewing. One of the sewing projects helps missionaries. The center had a recent donor create a matching grant program this year. The donor pledged \$50k with the stipulation that the center must first match the funds. They are well on their way with help from money donated from the results of Rotary's recent Duck Race Fundraiser. Rick also discussed the desire to make façade improvements to the exterior of their building to help enhance the look of the downtown neighborhood.



**NEXT MEETING – October 22, 2019 – NO REGULAR MEETING. We will meet at the Eaton Pub Thursday evening, October 24, for “Pints for Polio” in lieu of our regular meeting.**

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<b>OCTOBER DUTIES</b>	
ATTENDANCE	John Dykstra, III
GREETER	Will SaintAmour
INVOCATION	Tyler Pray
MIRROR	Joe Pray
SINGING	Greg Guetschow
SGT-AT-ARMS	Vince Ferris (Barrel) Paul Tomasek (50/50) John Newland (S & T)

<b>CHARLOTTE ROTARY PROGRAM SCHEDULE 2019 - 2020</b>	
<b>Oct 29</b>	– Special Projects – Sam Davis
<b>Nov 5</b>	- Community Pride – Carrie Burch
<b>Nov 12</b>	– Centennial – Ed Foster – Charles Jespersen
<b>Nov 19</b>	– Rural/Urban – Lee Wheaton
<b>Nov 22</b>	- Annual Fundraiser Reverse Raffle (Please note this is a Friday night) – Sam Davis
<b>Nov 26</b>	– NO MEETING DUE TO FUNDRAISER ON THE 22nd
<b>Dec 03</b>	– Sports Committee – Mike Friar
<b>Dec 10</b>	- Music – Chuck Archer – GFWC Choir (+ 20)
<b>Dec 17</b>	– Historical/Remembrance – Joe Pray
<b>Dec 24</b>	– NO MEETING
<b>Dec 31</b>	– NO MEETING