



Today's meeting was called to order by President Taylor Huie at 12:15 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Invocation: Rotarian Jeff Ross offered the invocation.

Arts News: Rotarian Alisa Carrel shared the Arts Minute:

- Art Break, 2024 West Michigan Area Show, Tues. 7/9 at 12 noon at the KIA
- Gilmore Car Museum, 7/10 Wed.night cruise-in with Iconix, a motown & yacht rock band
- Center Stage Theatre performs "Olivier" at Comstock Auditorium, running from 7/12-7/21
- Art Exhibition, Calligraphy Guild, Tues. 7/9 at Kalamazoo Book Arts Center
- Crawspace Eviction Theater performs on 7/12 & 7/13 at the First Baptist Church (aka KNAC)
- KIA celebrates 100 years, with Centennial Community Day, with free admission on Sat.7/13
- Art Hop, Fri. 7/12, KIA will announce the Peoples' Choice Award winner from Art Break
- Black Arts Festival 2024, Sat.7/13 at Bronson Park from 11am-5pm
- State on the Street, Fri. 7/12 at 6pm

Announcements:

- PP Jim Cupper shared a Rotary Foundation video, showing Rotarians serving across the globe, to end polio and providing relief to displaced people, with the support of \$15M in donations
- Rotary Satellite Club will meet on 7/9 at 5pm at The Hub
- District ONE Summit- 7/27 @ 9:30 am at the Air Zoo
- Rotary Media Day- 7/17 @ 5pm at the Parkview Hills Clubhouse
- Reminder: Please pay your Kalamazoo Rotary Club dues
- Remembering the late Rotarian Patrick Alkins- 8/3 at the Traveller's Cafe

The Program: Rotarian Lucinda Stinson introduced Don Saldia, Director of Kalamazoo County Area Agency on Aging (KalCounty AAA), who shared their mission of supporting aging adults stay in their homes, providing support to caregivers and administering more than 45 programs that provide a range of services, including food, transportation, healthcare and prescription assistance. In 2029, 25% of Kalamazoo's population will be above 60 years old, and the KalCounty AAA provides more than 45 support services/programs ranging from healthy living classes, programs that support veterans, those in need of home modifications and repairs as they age, to programs that help hoarders and those who may have bed bugs, as well as those in need of legal assistance. All made possible through the senior millage that was passed in 2019 and is on the ballot for renewal this year. In 2023, KalCounty AA helped 10,862 aging persons with funding from the millage, as compared to 2019, when they served 1906 people, with just 6 support programs.

Next Week's program will be a presentation on ONEPlace at Kalamazoo's Public Library

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm, with the recitation of the Four Way test, led by President Taylor Huie.