

July 22, 2024 Bulletin, Editorian Jim Cupper

The July 22, 2024 meeting of the Rotary Club of Kalamazoo took place at Milestone Senior Center in Kalamazoo, Michigan and was called to order by President Taylor Huie at 12:16 p.m.

President Taylor led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rotarian Aaron Winters gave the invocation.

Arts News

The arts news was presented by Rotarian Alissa Carrel.

Crafting Cosplay Connections

Friday, July 26, 2024 at 6:30 pm Presented by [Serendipity Spot](#) at [Kzoo Makers](#), 1102 E. Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Southwest Michigan Makers Network meetup

Sunday, July 28, 2024 at 3:00 pm Presented by [Serendipity Spot](#) at [Kzoo Makers](#), 1102 E. Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Lunchtime Live! - Shelagh Brown Band

Friday, July 26, 2024 at 11:30 am Presented by [City of Kalamazoo Parks & Recreation](#) at [Bronson Park](#), 200 W South Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Concerts in the Park 2024: Kalamazoo Academy of Rock

Sunday, July 28, 2024 at 4:00 pm Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Bronson Park](#), 200 W South Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Silent Book Club

Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 1:00 pm Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Glass Art with Ekin Deniz Aytac and Joshua Davids

Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 12:00 pm Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#) at [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

CERULEAN FISH ROCK SHOW WSG PAYTON & ANNABELLE

Thursday, July 25, 2024 at 7:30 pm Presented by [Crawlspace Comedy Theatre in Historic First Baptist Church Building](#), 315 W. Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Gilmore Car Museum Wednesday Night Cruise-Ins

Wednesday, July 24, 2024 at 4:00 pm July 24 – [Glad All Over](#) – '60's & 70's Classics
Presented by [Gilmore Car Museum](#), 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Gilmore Car Museum Wednesday Night Cruise-Ins | Presented by: [DeNooyer Chevrolet and Your West Michigan Chevy Dealers](#), and supported by [GR Auto Gallery](#) at the Gilmore Car Museum have become an annual summer tradition!

HOT N' DELICIOUS IMPROV COMEDY – FOOD SERVICE INDUSTRY CELEBRATION SHOW

Monday, July 22, 2024 at 7:30 pm Presented by [Crawlspace Comedy Theatre in Historic First Baptist Church Building](#), 315 W. Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

School of Rock: The Musical

Thursday-Sunday, July 17 – July 28, 2024 at 2:00 pm Sun, 7:30 pm Thurs-Saturday Presented by [Farmers Alley Theatre](#) and [Festival Playhouse of Kalamazoo College](#) at [Kalamazoo College - Nelda K. Balch Playhouse](#), 1200 Academy Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49006

Superstar Super Show

Friday, July 26, 2024 at 7:30 pm Presented by [Crawlspace Comedy Theatre in Historic First Baptist Church Building](#), 315 W. Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Riddled with English

Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 7:30 pm Presented by [Crawlspace Comedy Theatre in Historic First Baptist Church Building](#), 315 W. Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Iceland: An ART 220: Landscape Photography Class Exhibition

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Jun 13, 2024 - Aug 29, 2024 at 08:00 am

Foundation Minute

The *Foundation Minute* was presented by Past District Governor and Foundation Chair, Jim Cupper.

The Foundation began after Rotary's sixth president, Arch Klumph, suggested in 1917 that Rotary should have an endowment fund "for the purpose of doing good in the world."

Starting from an initial contribution of US\$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA, the Foundation has received more than \$6.1 billion in total contributions.

The Foundation made a grant of \$500 to an organization supporting children with special needs in 1930 and continues to do good around the world in Rotary's name.

Visiting Rotarians

None

Guests

Cassandra Stewart, from Milestone Senior Center.

Announcements

Media Event

Keith Mumma provided a summary of the media event presented by the public image committee on July 17 at the Parkview Hills Clubhouse. The event was designed to enhance awareness of the Rotary Club of Kalamazoo and was attended by several members of the local media and numerous club members as well.

Comstock Paddle & Pour

Rotarian Bill Rose urged Rotarians to consider attending this event, which sounds like a lot of fun!

Date: Friday, August 9, 2024 Time: 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM Event Site: Merrill Park, 5845 Comstock Avenue

You won't want to miss Kalamazoo River's only riverside summer fest. Comstock Center Paddle and Pour Summer Fest is an evening packed with live music, delicious food, summer beverages (non-alcoholic), and recreation. There is something for everyone and admission is FREE!

Happy Bucks

The following Rotarians offered happy bucks: Keith Mumma — for the successful media day. Brian Kaufman — for something I missed. (sorry Brian) Rhasheda Shepherd — for BBQ Bash, which will be held August 1-3 at the Arcadia Festival Site. Jack Hopkins — for *School of Rock* at Farmers Alley Theater. Amy Remmert — for Big Brothers Big Sisters, Don Flesche — for the upcoming Tennis Tournament Aaron Winters — for something I missed, (Sorry Aaron), Dann Systma — also for something I missed. (Sorry Dann)

Program

Big Brothers/Big Sisters for over 65 years in SW Michigan and was represented by Regina Miller, Director of Corporate Operations and Tyler Walker, Outreach Engagement Specialist.

A summary of Walker's presentation follows:

Community Based

Big Duo

Big Families add someone into things you are doing

Big Pride

Site-Based Programs

High school

Bigs in Schools

Sports Buddies

Ages 6-16. Wait list of over 100 kids.

Impact for Littles

Social-emotional skills

Academic Achievement

Who are the Bigs?

18 years old or older.

Internal Fulfillment

Emotional Intelligence

Making an impact

Steps to becoming a Big

- Complete the application
- participate in a 2-hr interview
- Have background and ref checks
- Participate in 2-hour facilitated training
- Upon acceptance, wait until the potential match is made.

Cost-Free activities

parks

libraries

BBBS match discounts

up to 100% off

Experience new activities and keep things interesting.

Walker asked Rotarians to:

- Become a Big
- Volunteer for events
- Donate Resources or gifts
- Share our mission!

Adjournment

President Taylor adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.by leading us in the Four Way Test.