



Date 8/28/23

Editarian: Aaron Bradford

Today's meeting: Called to order by President Martin Velten at 12:10pm

Invocation: Aaron Winters

Arts News By: Byran Zocher

Lunchtime Live! - Grace Theisen, Sept. 1. *Presented by* City of Kalamazoo Parks & Recreation *at* Bronson Park. Offers live music, games, food, and fun every Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Music in the Plaza - Out of Favor Boys, Sept. 1, *Presented by* Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo *at* Haymarket Plaza

Art Hop September 2023 - Storytelling and Identity, Sept. 1 *Presented by* Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo *at Various Locations*

And more at <https://www.kalamazooarts.org/>

Announcements:

Deadline for Club Grants to Sept 1. Provides funding for worthwhile charitable or educational projects in the greater Kalamazoo area. Awards typically range from \$500-\$3,000.

Olympics – contact Rob Peterson

Raffle Tickets – Amy Remmert, can now do electronic payments. \$25 per ticket to support local programs through district foundation. 48/117 sold

Daquarian Hunter Scholarship: \$500 annually, goal to create an endowment. \$1,000 of 5,000 raised.

Received Rotary International citation award this past year!

Guests:

Rotarian Bryan Zocher introduced Kelsey McKagve w/KRESA

Happy Bucks:

Rick Briscoe, 2 - 26" walleyes and many other fish. Steve Duisterhof, Jericho Fdn, Bonsia refugees and Gordon water intern. Bob Miller, WMU bronco bash tomorrow on campus. Lorence Wenke, celebrate Abraham Lincoln statue ceremony in Bronson Park.

The Program: DEI Continued with Lucinda Stinson

What is our plan after our talk last week?

How best to diversify more in an organization.

Need to plug in to diverse communities to network with others outside our regular network.

Choose to patronize a minority owned business.

Sometimes systems set up benefit certain groups and inevitably leaves others behind.

How do we take steps to engage different communities?

How have you begun rethinking D&I?

What was your gut reaction?

What additional ideas do you have?