



Rotary Club of Kalamazoo

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

National Anthem: Was sung and the invocation was led by Dan Hartlieb

Arts News: Art News was presented by Dan Sytsma. Visit the Arts Council Website at Kalamazooarts.org for details or the Rotary Website.

Visiting Rotarians: Aaron Bradford from South Bend, Kathy Gallagher, Battle Creek Club and District Governor and Kathy's husband Mike from the Gull Lake Club.

Special Announcement: Kristen announced that on October 3, we will be meeting at Milestone Senior Services located at 918 Jasper St. Please be sure you reserve ahead of time by going to the Rotary Website or responding to Annette's emails.

Happy Bucks: Don Flesche gave because he just attended his 70th class reunion: Jack Hopkins gave as did Rick Briscoe and Amy Remmert. Kathy Gallagher join in and gave a happy buck.

The Program: Our speaker today was Kathy Gallagher. Kathy is a social worker. She is on the Catholic School Board and helped raise 20 million for the Campaign for the Catholic Schools., Kathy is married to Mike who is a member of the Gull Lake Club. She loves to travel.

Kathy engaged in a conversation with our club. She is proud of her role in Rotary and announced that RI has it's first Woman in the Leadership role.

Kathy proceeded to give kudos to the Kalamazoo Club for all they do in the name of Rotary. Names mentioned were Rick Briscoe, Karl Sandelin, Jim Cupper, Amy Remmert for her role as leader or the RoSat group and Martin Velten for volunteering to host an exchange student.

She reviewed happenings at the District and local level and gave Kudos for all the hard work that Kalamazoo and Rosat have done.

Her three goals are to:

1. Increase visioning and planning at all levels.
2. Increase awareness of the Rotary Foundation
3. Rejuvenate Rotaract and Interact programs.

Additional goals include increasing membership by 8 for the Kalamazoo Club and getting an increase to Polio Plus donations – she felt we could increase to \$6000