

Rotary



Club of Williamston Sunrise

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Speakers

January 17, 2023

[Laska Creagh](#)
General Discussion -
Duck Race Planning

January 24, 2023

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Discussion on
Meeting days/times

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Board Discussion of
Topics

January 31, 2023

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Meeting at Zynda's

1/17/23-Sharon LaPointe-Antarctica

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, January 17, 2023

General Discussion:

- Attendance: Members=10, Associate Members=1, Guests=0
- Meeting at WUMC at 7:30 am



- President Laska started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Bob Stephenson said a prayer relating the good things that Dr. Martin Luther King said
 - It reminded him of our motto: "Service above Self"
- We spent a great deal of time discussing meetings – when to meet?
 - Should we meet on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays in the morning?
 - And have the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays as time for Committee meetings?
 - Do we want to have 4+ meetings per month?
 - Satellite Club:
 - Satellite Club meets only once/month
 - How do we collaborate with them?
 - Discuss that later - separately
 - Raj visited other clubs with a Satellite Club
 - They had 2 regular members visit the Satellite Club meetings
 - Took time to meet together
 - Try to have a Satellite Club member visit regular club meetings
 - Sharon goes to all the Satellite Club meetings now
 - At Holiday Party
 - Some Satellite Club members were surprised we had a meeting after the

appetizers

- Some left then
 - Satellite Club dues go through us per Steve T
 - They meet on Thursdays at 5:30 at bar
 - Discuss meeting – service projects and eat & drink
- How do we fit into the Satellite Club's way of getting new members?
- We are a shrinking club – need to change
 - The morning meeting may not be working for getting new members
 - If not – need to change – need to find new people
 - We need to ask people – Most joined because they were asked
- We may have to sit & stew with this discussion
 - Meet on 1st & last Tuesday of month
 - Meet on 1st & 4th Tuesday of month
 - If 5 Tuesdays – no meeting on #5
 - May need to change Bi-Laws if change days/times
 - If we don't meet every week, we may lose members
 - What makes people come to meetings?
 - Guest speaker?
 - Social aspects
 - Service plans
 - Steve noted that we raised \$50,000 last year for community grants
 - If not us, then who?
 - But we can't just exist to raise money
- Duck Race – Laska
 - Laska passed out copies of the info gathered last year on all the things we need to do to run the Duck Race
 - Jim Conroy said he would help coordinate the Duck Race this year
 - But wants a co-chair
 - Bob asked who knew where we got ducks from in the past
 - We obtained them from other clubs that quit doing a race
 - Cost are high to buy new
- Our Speaker today was our own Sharon LaPointe
 - She showed us photos of her trip to Antarctica
 - She went in November 2022 – which is their spring
 - It took 2 days to get there
 - She flew into Buenos Aries, Argentina
 - They were on a huge ship with between 200-300 passengers, plus crew



- They had school on the ship
 - Where they learned more about Antarctica
- They were able to get on shore a few times via tender boats



- On Deception Island (a donut shaped island with inlet for disembarking)
- Also at Brown's Station
- They were provided coats and boots to travel in the 33 degree climate
- So they could say that they had SET FOOT ON Antarctica!
- She saw ice flows, glaciers, lots of penguins, and more
- She even got to sit in the captain's chair



- Waves ranged from 5' to 10' but can get to 25'
- When you sign up for the trip, you have to get insurance for repatriation of your body, if you were to die
- We decided to meet next week at 7:30 am to further discuss meeting days
- Following her talk, we said the 4-Way Test (+1)

Thought for the Week

By Gene Klco on Wednesday, July 13, 2022

"I may not have gone where I intended to go, but I think I have ended up where I needed to be."

Joke of the Week

By Gene Klco on Friday, July 1, 2022

It's that magical time of year again when the Darwin Awards are bestowed, honoring the least evolved among us. (More winners)

- **An American teenager was in the hospital recovering from serious head wounds received from an oncoming train. When asked how he received the injuries, the lad told police that he was simply trying to see how close he could get his head to a moving train before he was hit.**
- **A man walked into a Louisiana Circle-K, put a \$20 bill on the counter, and asked for change. When the clerk opened the cash drawer, the man pulled a gun and asked for all the cash in the register, which the clerk promptly provided. The man took the cash from the clerk and fled, leaving the \$20 bill on the counter. The total amount of cash he got from the drawer \$15.
[If someone points a gun at you and gives you money, is a crime committed?]**
- **Seems an Arkansas guy wanted some beer pretty badly. He decided that he'd just throw a cinder block through a liquor store window, grab some booze, and run. So, he lifted the cinder block and heaved it over his head at the window. The cinder block bounced back and hit the would-be thief on the head, knocking him unconscious. The liquor store window was made of Plexiglas. The whole event was caught on videotape.**
- **As a female shopper exited a New York convenience store, a man grabbed her purse and ran. The clerk called 911 immediately, and the woman was able to give them a detailed description of the snatcher. Within minutes, the police apprehended the snatcher. They put him in the car and drove back to the store. The thief was then taken out of the car and told to stand there for a positive ID. To which he replied, Yes, officer, that's her. That's the lady I stole the purse from.**

The Ann Arbor News crime column reported that a man walked into a Burger King in Ypsilanti, Michigan (near Ann Arbor) at 5 A.M., flashed a gun, and demanded cash. The clerk turned him down because he said he couldn't open the cash register without a food order. When the man ordered onion rings, the clerk said they weren't available for breakfast... The frustrated gunman walked away.

January Birthdays

By Gene Klco on Sunday, January 1, 2023

Wishes for a Happy Birthday in **January** go out to:

Marv Zischke January 3

Merlin Hopkins January 15

Wanda Bloomquist January 25