

Rotary



Club of Williamston Sunrise

Club Leaders



Kay Erin Goluska
President



Wanda Bloomquist
President - Elect



Gene Klco
Secretary
Webmaster



Laska J Creagh
President - Nominee
Membership Chair



Steve Terry
Treasurer



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Club Director



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Sergeant-at-Arms



Mark Steinberg
Rotary Foundation Chair



Narda Murphy
Youth Services Chair



Brian Tort
iPast President



Brian Tort
Assistant Governor

05/11/21-Spring Murphys

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, May 11, 2021

General Discussion:

- Attendance: Members=18, Associate Members=1, Guests=9



- President Kay started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance
- Then we had Happy Dollars
- Our Guests today were the Spring **Narda Murphy Students of Excellence Award** winners
- From Dansville ♦ **Sidney Hagelberger**

Speakers

May 11, 2021

[Student Excellence Awards](#)

Student Excellence Awards

May 18, 2021

[Nikki Zynda](#)

Virtual Tour of Zynda's Restaurant

May 25, 2021

[Michelle Beloskur](#)

Micro Plastics, Anyone?

June 01, 2021

[Jason Helman, YMCA](#)

[Regional Director of Youth Development](#)

Camp Pa-Wa-Pi



- Introduced by Principal Tania Dupuis
 - Sidney was accompanied by her mom, Teresia
 - Sidney has a 4.0 GPA
 - She is in the National Honor Society
 - She is in varsity basketball and a drum major
 - Part of PALS
 - Volunteered for the blood and food drives
 - She always is thinking of others
 - Sidney plans to study Nursing ♦ possibly at MSU
- From Webberville ♦ **Dana Gorski**



- Dana was introduced by Dean of Students, Andy Smith
- Dana is a student leader
- She has 18 varsity letters
 - Competitive cheer, volleyball and softball among them
- She is the Senior Class President
- She has taken 8 college courses
- Dana is the FFA chapter president
- In NHS, helps with blood drives and food bank
- She helps with Weekend Survival Kits for elementary students
- Dana is the class Valedictorian with a 4.01 GPA
- Dana plans to go to Northern Michigan to study Elementary Education
- From Williamston ♦ **Matthew Wilson**



- Matthew was introduced by Assistant Principal Chris Amour
 - Matthew as accompanied by his parents
- Matthew was described as a intelligent, dedicated hard worker
- He has had numerous achievements
- In track and ____
- In H+NHS for 2 years
- Matthew is in the Math Fraternity
 - Did a paper in the 2021 Math/Science Academy
 - It talked about changing paper into bio-ethanol
- He has had 5 AP classes
- Matthew is a senior with a 4.18 GPA
- Matthew plans on going to the University of St. Thomas
 - Studying philosophy
 - He will be studying to be a seminarian
- Congratulations to all three Murphs award winners!

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- Then we moved back into our general discussion:
 - Committee reports:
 - Jim C reported that there is a critical need at Sparrow Vaccination Clinic in Frandor
 - Tomorrow, Wednesday, May 12 from 11 am to 3 pm
 - They have 2 of 10 volunteers
 - Signup if you can help with the Signup Genius
 - [Sparrow Volunteers: Sparrow COVID Vaccination Volunteer Sign Up \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)
 - Kay invited us to her daughter Vivian's grad party ♦ mid-July
 - It will be an outdoor event ♦ with safety in mind
 - Wanda said that they decided on a **Rotary Hero ♦ Gene Klco**
 - Gene is the club secretary & webmaster
 - He also volunteers many hours at the R. J. Scheffel Memorial Toy Project
 - He is a MSU Spartan fan
 - And a avid loon advocate
 - Plus he always has a smile to give
 - Golf Outing ♦ Kay has been talking to Peter Clay bout dates
 - Probably in late August or early September at Wheatfield Valley Golf
 - Buttons ♦ Jim C is putting up signs for free or donation Vaccination buttons
 - At D&W, Central Pharmacy and ♦
 - If you want a button, contact Jim
 - Laska asked about talking points for a person who is vaccine hesitant
 - Raj ♦ non-vaccinated are incubators for variants
 - A person who gets a mild case of Covid, will have antibodies for that strain of Covid, but not protected against new strains

- The vaccine protects against a wide spectrum of variants
 - George ♦ vaccine protects your family
 - Raj will send out more ideas
 - Earl was complemented for his work adding our logo to the Blessing Box



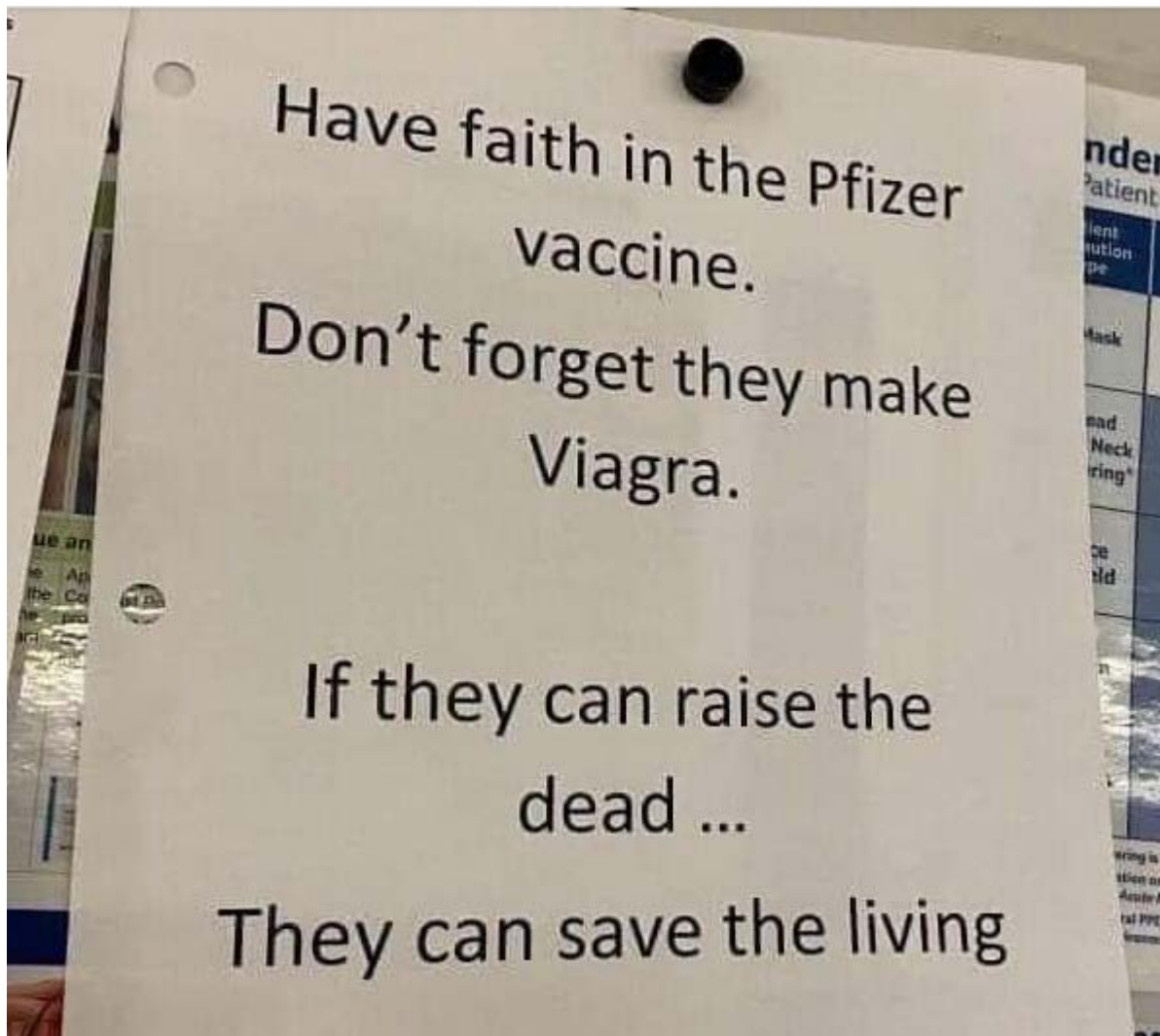
- Earl talked about the electronic message board
 - Progress is moving along on it
 - Adam has presented it to the School Board
 - Looking at interested parties, including Farmer ♦s Market
 - Also looking for community input
 - Still a question as to who will be responsible to monitor what goes in it?
 - Could be the school, or a service club, or ♦
 - No right answer
 - Merlin talked about the Welcome to Williamston signs
 - Plan 3 signs on entrances to town (exc. south one)
 - South one ♦ just north of I-96 to be larger ♦ done by city
 - East & west could get involved with MDOT ♦ take too long to get approval
 - Plan on private property
 - East end has a old rotting Welcome sign
 - Whose property is it?
 - Wanda will check
 - Shoe donation ♦ for Soles for Souls
 - Due today ♦ may still be able to get to a Rotarian from other club
 - Spark in the Dark ♦ Chris
 - Brian is working with other local clubs for interest
 - Brian noted that there is interest from East Lansing, Haslett/Okemos, Delta/Waverly, Grand Ledge clubs
 - Yet to decide how much they are willing to pitch in with the payment
 - What is the structure?
 - Is it District led and we are a part?
 - Or are we leading with other clubs following
 - The \$5000 commitment has been made ♦ got the matching funds from Facebook
 - Next steps ♦ after get other club commitment ♦ will be a roll out and training
 - May have to update documentation and contract with other clubs added
 - Chris suggested to go to the Traverse City Spark in the Dark website
 - See how it works
 - Next week ♦s meeting will feature **Nikki Zynda** who will give us a virtual tour of their remodeled restaurant
 - Following the meeting will be a Board meeting
 - We concluded with the 4-Way Test (+1)

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, January 5, 2021

"Sometimes the best helping hand you can get is a good, firm push."

Joke of the Week

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, January 5, 2021



May Birthdays

By Gene Klco on Saturday, May 1, 2021

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

We have no May birthdays

Join Our Local and International Celebration of The Rotary Foundation!

By Teresa Brandell on Friday, April 2, 2021

Everyone from our District is invited to join in an international celebration of our Rotary Foundation. The event will be a Virtual Gala on Wednesday evening, May 12, 2021 at 8 p.m. EDT. In conjunction with this big

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international gala, our District will be hosting a pre-event gathering of our own starting at 7:30 p.m.

During our pre-gala event, we will recognize some of our local outstanding Rotary Foundation achievements during this past year, and will also have some fun.

The main event starts with a "Red Carpet" pre-show that kicks off at

8:00pm EDT sharp and is hosted by Rotary International's first female President, Jennifer Jones! This will lead us into the variety show with Master of Ceremonies Past RI Director Jeffry Cadorette, distinguished speakers, entertainers, inspiring stories about service supported by TRF and much more!

Tickets to the gala are available [HERE](#)

Tickets are a donation of \$110 plus applicable fees, of which \$100 is a fully credited donation to TRF - you get a charitable tax receipt and 100 Foundation Recognition Points, and your District gets credit towards its Foundation goals as well.

This gives Rotarians, their clubs, and our Districts the opportunity to DO MORE GOOD, and meet the goals they have all set for Foundation donations in this challenging year. Each donation will be directed 75% to the Annual Fund and 25% to the PolioPlus fund.

If you want a peek at the entire program as of today, click [HERE](#).

Note that fun things are still being added to the program!

Please join us and other Rotarians from our District at this fantastic gala event, and at our pre-event celebration before the **big show!**

If you have any questions at all, please contact:

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