

Rotary



Club of Williamston Sunrise

Club Leaders



Wanda Bloomquist
President



Laska J Creagh
President-Elect



Gene Klco
Secretary
Webmaster



Christopher A. Lewis
President-Nominee



Steve Terry
Treasurer



Earl K Wolf
President-Nominee
Nominee



James Conroy
Club
Director



Elgar Brown
Sergeant-at-Arms

Speakers

June 07, 2022

Jennifer Wonnell
New Dansville
Superintendent

June 14, 2022

Wanda Bloomquist &
Laska Creagh
Duck Race Prep

June 21, 2022

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June 28, 2022

5/31/22-Beth Schrader & Julie Ludd-Senior Center

By Gene Klco on Wednesday, June 1, 2022

General Discussion:

- Attendance: Members=12, Associate/Honorary Members=2, Guests=4
- We met at the Williamston Area Senior Center



- President Wanda started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Paul gave a brief prayer of thanks

Senior Center Executive Director, **Beth Schrader** gave us a brief description of the changes they have made.



- She noted that they are doing so well that they are bursting at the seams
- Beth started as Executive Director in November
 - They have become a staff lead organization rather than a board lead organization
 - They went from 3 days/week to 4 days/week being open
 - They extended their hours
 - Activities every day including:
 - Art
 - Exercise
 - Parties
 - Guest speakers
 - Picnics
 - Movies
 - Travel shows
 - No longer just cards & coffee
 - They are doing more outreach
 - Will be at the Farmer's Market on Sunday
 - Run concession stand at Concerts in the Park
 - Help sell Duck Race tickets
 - She said that the staff was very excited to see the direction the Senior Center is going and excited to see it continue to grow
- Beth had to leave and introduced **Julie Ludd**, Assistant Director



Dawn Harris (Admin) & Julie Ludd (Asst. Director)

- There is a new energy at the center
 - Lots of activities – occasional speakers
 - The calendar is full
- The Senior Center will be in Williamston 30 years in October
- New people are showing up
- Newsletter published regularly
- New Board of Directors
- She thanked the Satellite Club that came out and helped rearrange the room
- Millage proposal coming up
 - Covers operating expenses & staff
 - Nothing for facilities

- They still are doing meals
 - Mondays have been very successful
 - Get food from local restaurants
 - Tuesday-Thursdays from the Tri-County Council on Aging
 - \$3.50 per meal
 - Attendance for meals:
 - Mondays – 30-40 people
 - Tuesdays – 18-20 people
 - Wednesdays & Thursdays – 30-35 people
 - Only site in the Tri-County that serves meals 3 days/week
 - Tri-County meals
 - Used to be like TV dinners
 - Now get large portions in containers
 - Serve like a buffet
 - Seniors can take what they want
 - Don't have a commercial kitchen
 - Warm up only, not cook food
- Q/A:
 - Thoughts of expanding?
 - Yes, but landlord won't let in building
 - Looking for another location
 - Meeting with area Realtor to keep an eye out for possibilities
 - Expect a 2-5 year plan
 - How old are your seniors?
 - Most mid 80s
 - One at 99
 - Getting younger seniors – late 70s
 - The 60-70 year olds say weren't offering things for them

After the presentation, we took a break for Pizza that they supplied

- Duck Race:
 - Wanda listed some open dates at the Farmer's Market to work
 - Check out this link to find dates that need help & to sign up
 - View Sign Up Form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D4CA9AC23A4FE3-duck>
 - At Meridian Farmer's Market:
 - Wednesday, June 1 (2)
 - Wednesday, June 8 (2)
 - Saturday, June 11 (2)
 - Wednesday, June 22 (2)
 - At Williamston Farmer's Market:
 - Sunday, June 19 (1)
 - Bring tickets that are sold to Wanda at the Township Hall
 - Don't wait till day of the race
 - Tickets have to be entered into the spreadsheet
 - Duck Deals
 - Gene will update the Duck Deals so QR code shows all currently
 - Sponsors
 - Follow-up on all sponsors you agreed to
 - Get checks, gift certificates to Wanda
 - [2022 Duck Race Sponsors - Google Docs](#) (& Prizes & Duck Deals)
 - Race Setup
 - Merlin & committee (Mark, Marv, Fred & Merlin) are ready with the race setup & will run the race
 - Laska will coordinate the Duck Pen
 - Will get people to herd kids in and out of the pen
 - Will need about 300 ducks for the final heat of the race
 - Need to recount and sort the ducks
 - Plan on **Tuesday, May 7 at 3:00 pm** at the Township Hall Pavilion
 - As in the past, we will have shopping bags to put ducks by the 100s in
 - Sorting boards with a 10x10 grid will be used to verify that all 100 ducks are accounted for
 - We will be sorting about 3000 ducks
 - More help will speed up the process
 - Help for Janet with ticket sales on Race Day
 - Volunteers?
- 500 Tree Planting
 - All trees are now planted!
 - Thanks to all, esp. the Millers and Eysters
- Digital Sign
 - City has approved and signed the contract with the sign company
 - Hope to have it installed by school start
- Nominations for Rotarian of the Year
 - Nominations will close this week
 - Send your nominations to Gene with reason for nomination
- We then had Happy Dollars
- And concluded with the 4-Way Test (+1)

Special Event Calendar

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, April 19, 2022

Williamston Sunrise Rotary

2022 Special Events

- April 30, 2022 – 500 Tree Planting at Township Park
- May 21, 2022 – Plant 85 larger trees from pots at Township Park
- June 20, 2022 - Citizen of the Year Dinner – Part of Red Cedar Jubilee
- June 25, 2022 – Duck Race
- September 2022 – Start of ticket sales for the Rockin' Rotary Raffle
- September 17, 2022 - Tom Clay Golf Outing at Wheatfield Valley Golf
- October 16, 2022 – Williamston Sunrise Rotary 5K Fun Run
- December 3, 2022 – Drawing of Winner of Rockin' Rotary Raffle at

Thought for the Week

By Gene Klco on Thursday, July 1, 2021

The reason most people do not recognize an opportunity when they meet it is because it usually goes around wearing overalls and looking like Hard Work. ~ Thomas Edison

Joke of the Week

By Gene Klco on Thursday, July 1, 2021

Good blend of truth and humor...

- I'm responsible for what I say, not what you understand.
- Common sense is like deodorant. The people who need it the most never use it.
- My tolerance for idiots is extremely low these days. I used to have some immunity built up, but obviously there's a new strain out there.
- It's not my age that bothers me; it's the side effects.
- I'm not saying I'm old and worn out, but I make sure I'm nowhere near the curb on trash day.
- As I watch this generation try and rewrite our history, I'm sure of one thing: It will be misspelled and have no punctuation.
- Me, sobbing: "I can't see you anymore. . . . I'm not going to let you hurt me again."
 - My Trainer: "It was only one sit-up!"