Rotary



Club of Williamston Sunrise

Club Leaders



Wanda **Bloomquist President**



Laska J Creagh President -Elect



Gene Klco Secretary Webmaster



Christopher A. Lewis President -Nominee



<u>Steve</u> **Terry** Treasurer



Earl K Wolf President -Nominee Nominee



James Conroy Club Director



Elgar <u>Brown</u> Sergeantat-Ărms

Speakers

June 28, 2022 Wanda Bloomquist & Laska Creagh Officer Exchange at Tavern 109

July 05, 2022 NO MEETING TODAY Enjoy 4th of July break

July 12, 2022 Jennifer Wonnell -New Dansville Superintendent at Williamstown

6/28/22-Officer Exchange

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, June 28, 2022

General Discussion:

• Attendance: Members=16, Associate Members=2, Guests=1



- Meeting in person at Tavern 109 outside area
- President Wanda started her last meeting as President with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Fred gave a prayer of thanks for the Duck Race, having an in-person meeting and noting the responsibility goes with freedom
- NO Meeting next week for the Independence Day Holiday
- The meeting on July 12th will be at the Williamstown Township Hall Pavilion
 - At 7:30 am so dress accordingly
- Chris sent out a survey about food at the morning meetings vs. dues
 - 15 members have responded
 - Majority have chosen to just have coffee (or hot chocolate) and muffins and pay \$70/quarter for dues
 - Other option was a catered meal and \$120/quarter dues
 - Or no food/drink and stay at \$60/quarter dues
- Happy Dollars were then collected
 - Many happy that the Duck Race was over and successful
- Outgoing President Wanda then thanked us all for our efforts this last Rotary year
 - Taking on a new project the Rockin' Rotary Raffle
 Successfully raised nearly \$18,000 for kids

 - 2022 Duck Race without Jim's efforts

Township Park Pavilion & on Zoom July 19, 2022 DG Kathy Gallagher Introduce herself &

July 26, 2022 Deborah Wolf Chair Yoga

her plans

- · Laska's support throughout the year
- Wanda said we are lucky to have Laska as our new President
 - Then Chris and the Earl
- Wanda gave Laska a bag of goodies
 - Inside the bag was some old song sheets
 - So Laska passed them out and Norm lead us in 3 songs
 - All Hail to Rotary
 - When Irish Eyes are Smiling
 - God Bless America
- Laska then had a few words for Wanda
 - o She said Wanda was "kind, patient & always had a big smile"

 - She never asked for something she wouldn't do She got us through 2 years of Covid (first as Kay's President Elect)
 - She came up with the idea of the raffle
 - Which was very successful for the first year
 - She doesn't get flustered
 - She has a "fire in her soul & grace in her heart"
- Then Laska presented Wanda with the President Plaque for 2021-22



After the Officer Exchange, we covered a little business

- Digital sign update Earl
 - The sign has been ordered
 - Wiring is being run from the bathrooms to the sing location on the corner
 - The back side of the sign will display the major donors for the sign
 - Including Williamston Sunrise Rotary
- A hand vote was made to return to Tavern 109 for our last meeting on July
 - Rain plan would be pizza at the Township Hall Pavilion
- Duck Race
 - Laska read Treasurer Steve's email as he couldn't make the meeting
 - Bottom line we made about \$20,000 on the race
 - Some payments need to be made to the Cub Scouts, Senior Center & Satellite Club
 - Net will be about \$18,000
 - The Satellite Club helped with the Duckies
 - Also Alexi Fulton and friend helped sell tickets at the Craft Show
 - For those who helped at the Duck Race
 - Write up a brief summary of the things you did
 - Sent to Laska for recordkeeping
 - We are all vulnerable (like Jim was)
 - Thanks You notes:
 - To the Fire Department, Police Department, DPW
 - To the Sponsors
 - To the Satellite Club
- We had food delivered and enjoyed each other's company
- Laska concluded the meeting with the 4-Way Test (+1)

Thought for the Week

By Gene Klco on Thursday, July 1, 2021

You're either changing your life or you're not. No waiting for this or that or better weather or other hurdles. Hurdles are the change. ~Terri Guillemets

Joke of the Week

By Gene Klco on Thursday, July 1, 2021 *No Joke this week, but an interesting story:*

STORY NUMBER ONE

Many years ago, Al Capone virtually owned Chicago. Capone wasn't famous for anything heroic. He was notorious for enmeshing the windy city in everything from bootlegged booze and prostitution to murder. Capone had a lawyer nicknamed "Easy Eddie." He was Capone's lawyer for a good reason. Eddie was very good! In fact, Eddie's skill at legal maneuvering kept Big Al out of jail for a long time. To show his appreciation, Capone paid him very well.. Not only was the money big, but Eddie got special dividends, as well. For instance, he and his family occupied a fenced-in mansion with live-in help and all of the conveniences of the day. The estate was so large that it filled an entire Chicago City block. Eddie lived the high life of the Chicago mob and gave little consideration to the atrocity that went on around

him. Eddie did have one soft spot, however. He had a son that he loved dearly. Eddie saw to it that his young son had clothes, cars, and a good education. Nothing was withheld. Price was no object. And, despite his involvement with organized crime, Eddie even tried to teach him right from wrong. Eddie wanted his son to be a better man than he was.

Yet, with all his wealth and influence, there were two things he couldn't give his son; he couldn't pass on a good name or a good example.

One day, Easy Eddie reached a difficult decision. Easy Eddie wanted to rectify wrongs he had done.

He decided he would go to the authorities and tell the truth about Al "Scarface" Capone, clean up his tarnished name, and offer his son some resemblance of integrity. To do this, he would have to testify against The Mob, and he knew that the cost would be great. So, he testified.

Within the year, Easy Eddie's life ended in a blaze of gunfire on a lonely Chicago Street. But in his eyes, he had given his son the greatest gift he had to offer, at the greatest price he could ever pay. Police removed from his pockets a rosary, a crucifix, a religious medallion, and a poem clipped from a magazine.

The poem read:

"The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still."

June Birthdays

By Gene Klco on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 Wishes for a **Happy Birthday** in **June** go out to:

Sharon LaPointe June 6

Steve Terry June 16

Jim Conroy June 29

Kimberly Vaughn June 30