

Rotary



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Rotary Club of Mount Clemens ~ The Spokesperson ~ April 27, 2023

Minutes by Louise Rallis ~ Photos by Julie Miller

Rotary Club 2992 of
District 6380 of Rotary
International
Meetings: 12:15 p.m.
Thursdays
Italian American Cultural
Society & Banquet Center
43843 Romeo Plank Road,
Clinton Township MI
48038

2022-2023

President

Scott Chabot

Secretary

Stephanie Mirabile

Treasurer

Jessica Johnson

President Elect

Sam Wireman

President Nominee

Kathleen Best

Director at Large

Kim Jarvis

Director at Large

Tom Welsh

Director at Large

Doug Norris

Director at Large

Christine LaTour

Past President - **Jeff Furest**

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Recognition - Ryan
Murphy

Bulletin - Larry Neal
Music - Amanda Oparka

Guests & Visitors -
Kathleen Best

Invocation - Sarah Lee
Anniversaries/Birthdays -

Louise Rallis

Meeting Photos -

Valerie Miller

Social Media -

Kathleen Best

Club Administration -

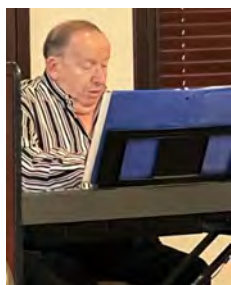
Sam Wireman

Service Projects -

Christine LaTour

Membership - Kim Jarvis

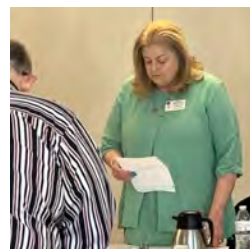
President **Scott Chabot** called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.



Ellen Lysick led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and national anthem. As usual, **Gary Felts**, luncheon music director, rolled right into the music with everyone joining in.



Stephanie Mirabile asked fellow Rotarians and luncheon guests to join in "The Four-Way Test."



Sarah Lee provided a nice prayer for the invocation which led right into the buffet lunch.

The group enjoyed a nice meal consisting of bread rolls, roasted potatoes, chicken, fresh green beans, simple green salad and yellow cake with white frosting and chocolate shavings for dessert.

Guests and Visitors

Ed Mastry welcomed **Eric Pierson's** son, **Jacob**. He also welcomed **Dina Caringi**, the luncheon speaker.



Club Business

Scott informed the group about several upcoming items:

1. Anchor Bay Rotary is planning a tree planting project which would be an opportunity for Mount Clemens Rotarians to partner on that project.
2. President's Party will be in June
3. Evening meeting will be May 18 at Gumbo's on Walnut Street with Mount Clemens Mayor Kropp as featured speaker.

Flowers/Songs

Birthday wishes went to **Sam and Ellen**. Anniversary wishes went to **Amanda and Kyle Oparka**. Those present received a flower in acknowledgement of their special day.

Kathleen Best did an outstanding job selling the remaining flowers. They went to:

Gary purchased one for **Tina**. **Ellen** for **Sarah** as a thank-you for an inspirational prayer, **Ken** showed his appreciation to **Kathleen and Stephanie** for wearing hats so he doesn't feel alone in his weekly fashion choice, **Scott** purchased one for **Mary Bednar**.

Kim Jarvis selected "Yellow Rose of Texas" followed by the second verse of "R-O-T-A-R-Y."



Sunshine Reports/Announcements/Recognition

- **Bob Lee** told the group about his daughter's theatre group who are breaking all kind of records, even one previously set by the group. He also let the group know about his performance in "12 Angry Men Jurors" at the Richmond Theater.
- **Ellen** followed that up by asking the group if anyone had a belt to donate for her Bravo fundraiser's centerpieces of book towers (books donated through **Larry**). Without skipping a beat, **Ed** removed his belt and generously donated it to the cause.
- **Sam** announced that the May 20 5K fundraiser has already 40 participants with \$10,000 raised although a few more sponsorships would certainly be helpful.



Eric fined **Ellen** \$5 for a long and drawn-out sunshine report. Rightly so, he dinged **Ed** \$3 for disrobing at a Rotary meeting - good thing it followed lunch. **Kim** was fined \$2 for picking another Texas song this week. **Sarah** was fined \$1 because **Bob** "killed a water glass." **Dave Gerlach** was fined for both being late and being the Most Missed Rotarian. That cost him a cool \$2. **Melissa Morabito** didn't make an announcement because she didn't want to be fined - so she was fined \$3. Since she was fined, she made the announcement about their business VIP monthly happy hour taking place at Dragon's Landing in Mount Clemens.





Scott introduced the luncheon speaker Dina Caringi, Clinton Township Chief of Police.

She has long, 28-year history in Law Enforcement. As a new administrator one of the things she's focused on is what they can do better to serve the community better.

Other issues that are at the top of the list for Chief Dina are: mental illness and creating a special needs registry, officer recruitment, managing the opioid epidemic, creating a task force for internet crimes and those against children.

Her office is also working on an accreditation process which should raise the standards of officers and a drone program which is purported to be one of the best in the county.

Ed won more than \$40 in the 50/50.

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5K FUNDRAISER

to provide clean water in Guatemala

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH, 2023

Walk/Run starts at **10AM**

Check in and day-of-registration begins at 9AM

\$35 REGISTRATION

\$35 Includes Tshirt (S,M,L,XL) - register before 5/1/2023 to guarantee size

THE REC BOWL

40 Crocker Blvd.
Mt Clemens, MI 48043

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