

TRANSMISSION

Rotary Club of Hammond (Indiana)
Rotary District No. 6540 - Rotary Club No. 3362
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(Terms end June 30)

ROTARY FOUNDED
FEB. 23, 1905

MEETINGS:
Purdue Calumet Student Union
Tuesday - 12:05

HAMMOND ROTARY CHARTERED
MAY 1, 1920

Meeting Notes From FEBRUARY 10, 2009

Judith Walker called the meeting to order at 12:20 pm and led the group in the singing of "My Country Tis of Thee". The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Michael Suggs and the prayer was given by Rev. Abdallah. The Four-Way Test was recited and sung by the members present.

GUESTS

Dr. Robert Rivers, Dean of Education at Purdue University Calumet (Linda Randolph)
Judith Perkinson, Calumet Group (Mary Kaczka)
LuAnn Franklin, TIMES Newspaper (James McNabney)
Amanda Maynard, Challenger Center (Chuck Sanger)
Marty Hollingstead, Northwest Auto (Chuck Pintar)
Bob Goldsmith, Mark's Dad (Mark Goldsmith)
Mark Lopez, Assistant to Congressman Visclosky
Eddie Melton, Community Initiative Officer for the Legacy Foundation
Judge James Richards

VISITING ROTARIAN

Don Parker, Gary Rotary Past President

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Kaczka informed the club that we will be hosting the team from Turkey for one day in April. They will plan to tour Purdue University Calumet, The Challenger Center and other interesting sites.

SPEAKER

Our president, Judith Walker, introduced Congressman Pete Visclosky. He was received graciously and as he took his place at the podium he stated with a smile, "You shouldn't clap until you hear what I have to say!" He indicated that he was thankful for the opportunity to speak to the Hammond Rotary Club. He invited us to attend a Black History Month program at the Reed Temple Church in Griffith on February 18th. They would be honoring the first African American female clerk in the House of Representatives. The Congressman acknowledged the fact that we are in the midst of a very difficult time—the war in Iraq, increase in gasoline prices, environmental problems, healthcare, and the concerns of failing businesses. He talked about the fact that we are facing "economically painful times." He stated that economic times are so difficult now "that we forget that we are at war in Iraq."

Congressman Visclosky indicated that there is a lot of focus on President Obama's Stimulus Package. He believes that between now and the end of the year we will make some progress but all of our problems will not be solved. He is encouraged by the fact that there is a level of engagement that he has not seen in a long time. He reminded us that he was concerned about the tax cuts in 2001 and we ended up with big problems. He voted against the previous bailout plan that gave billions of dollars to banks and others on Wall Street because the money was going to people he considered to be thieves! The Congressman recognizes that the Stimulus Package is not perfect. He indicated that he did make suggestions for a number of changes. He acknowledged the fact that 535 people in Congress plus those in the administration all had their own ideas. He stressed the fact that leaders will need to make sure that the dollars are spent wisely.

Looking ahead, Congressman Visclosky indicated that when he returns to Congress next week they will need to address the fiscal bills that should have been dealt with last fall. He stated that they needed to get back on schedule with the business at hand.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 24 Career Builder, Personalized Hiring Program
March 3 Amanda Maynard, Challenger Center
March 10 Club Assembly
March 17 World Affairs Conf., PUC
March 24

One of the major concerns is healthcare costs and policy. Visclosky stressed that "we need to make changes to healthcare. We need to ensure that everyone in our society has basic protection for themselves and their families." Another concern is price and wage controls. He feels that our energy problems can be solved. It is a technical problem and we need to apply ourselves. We need to be focused in regard to conservation. Research and application is important.

There must be more economic opportunities. Our goal is to solve problems and employ as many people as possible. He praised the fact that places like Purdue are doing a lot in regard to research.

During the question and answer period Judy Perkinson expressed her concern regarding the fact that women owned businesses have less than 1% of the Defense Department's contracts. Congressman Visclosky admitted that there needed to be more monitoring. This is a constitutional responsibility. The Defense Committee recently had a meeting where they discussed the need to overlook the spending of defense money. There has been collectively no control over money being spent. Quite a bit of defense money has been spent on consultants. Ms. Perkinson indicated that there has been very little progress in the last 15 years.

Visclosky admitted that too much money is being spent on "frills" (bonuses, high salaries, etc.). We need to look at what makes sense regarding regulations and there should be some sense of proportionate spending.

The Congressman then shared that he thought that Iran was the country that was the greatest danger. Nuclear weapons are under his committee's influence. Multiple agencies are looking at nuclear weapons concerns. The administration needs to proceed on a nonpolitical course and take a look at how we use arms to defend ourselves. He shared that half of the money earmarked for energy is actually spent on nuclear weapons! Congressman Visclosky sits on both the Energy and Defense Committees.

Another question focused on the "difference between pork and earmarks." Visclosky's response was that "Earmarks are for Indiana's 1st Congressional District, and the pork is in the eye of the beholder."

In closing he stated that projects such as the Technology Center in Merrillville, the Little Calumet River levee project and new rail cars for the South Shore were earmarks in legislation. He reminded us that there are a lot of things going on and he truly wants to hear from us. He expressed thanks to the Hammond Rotary for the great work that is being done.

From The Publisher... Thank you to Rocharda Moore and Linda Randolph for providing the meeting notes, and Jim McNabney for the attendance figures.

Rotary Attendance February 17, 2009

Bassam Abdallah, Tim Anderson, Bud Baker, Cal Bellamy, Jim Blackwood, Greg Boyan, Andy Brennan, Duane Dedelow, Hans Enderlin, Michelle Golden, Mark Goldsmith, Dennis Gray, Mary Kaczka, Ted Karns, Nancy Machnikowski, Kevin McCarthy, Mark McLaughlin, Jim McNabney, Rocharda Moore, Jeff Oesterle, Chuck Pintar, Linda Randolph, Chuck Sanger, Rick Schumacher, Harry Smiddy, Michael Suggs, Judith Walker, Lisa Wein, Lisa Woodruff. Member's Guests: Bob Goldsmith (M. Goldsmith), Judith Perkinson (Kaczka), Eddie Melton (Machnikowski), Marty Hollingshead (Pintar), Bob Rivers (Randolph), Armanda Maynard (Sanger). Make Ups: Clyde Rector. Visiting Rotarians: Don Parker (Gary), Visitors: Judge James Richards, Mark Lopez
Guests of Club: Lu Ann Franklin ("The Times" Reporter)
Speaker: Congressman Peter Visclosky, U.S. House of Representatives

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 41

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Rotary Club of Hammond "Service Above Self"

2007 - 2008 COMMITTEES

"A" SCHOLARS LUNCHEON	Nancy Machnikowski, Chairperson
AMBASSADOR SCHOLARSHIPS	Mary Kaczka, Chairperson
.....	Michelle Golden; Nancy Machnikowski
ATTENDANCE	Jim McNabney, Chairperson
BUDGETS & FINANCIAL REPORTS	Tim Anderson, Chairman, Bud Baker
CHAPLAIN	James Calaway, Chairperson
CHRISTMAS PARTY	
CLASSIFICATIONS	
CLUB PICNIC	Jeff Oesterle, Chairperson
ENVIRONMENT & BEAUTIFICATION	Jeff Oesterle, Chairperson
FELLOWSHIP	Chuck Pintar, Chairperson
FRIENDS OF ROTARY	Chuck Sanger, Chairperson
GOLF OUTING	Jim Prisby, Chairperson
GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE	Mary Kaczka, Chairperson
MEMBER PRE-INDUCTION	Cal Bellamy, Chairperson
MEMBERSHIP	Duane Dedlow, Chairperson
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Jim McNabney, Chairperson, Lisa Woodruff
NOMINATING	Rick Schumacher, Chairperson, Jim Prisby
PEARL HARBOR RECOGNITION LUNCHEON	Larry Meyers, Chairperson, Bill Robinson
PROGRAMS	Chuck Sanger, Chairperson
PUBLICITY	Michael Suggs, Chairperson
RAFFLE	Chuck Sanger, Chairman, Jim Prisby
ROOM SETUP	Jim Blackwood, Chairperson
ROTARY FOUNDATION & PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIPS	Tom White, Chairperson
ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS	Nancy Machnikowski, Chairperson
SERGEANT AT ARMS	Bassam Abdallah, Chairperson, Lisa Woodruff
SERVICE PROJECTS	Mary Kaczka, Chairperson, Bud Baker
.....	Nancy Machnikowski
STUDENT GUESTS	Nancy Machnikowski, Chairperson
TRANSMISSION	Mark Goldsmith, Publisher, Mary Kaczka, Barb Homolka
.....	Jim McNabney, Jeff Oesterle, Jim Prisby
.....	Rick Schumacher, Lisa Woodruff
VOCATIONAL SERVICE AWARD	Cal Bellamy, Chairperson
WEB SITE	Jim Prisby, Chairperson

48 members as of February 10, 2008

ABDALLAH, Bassam — Clergy	932-3866
ANDERSON, Tim — Accountant-Certified Public	864-7300
BAKER, Bud — Accounting & Tax Service	845-5400
* BELLAMY, Cal—1979 — Investment Banking	227-6101
BLACKWOOD, Jim -- Mental Health	392-6001
BOLANOWSKI, Steve — Chemicals	937-2356
BOYAN, Greg — Education Administration	923-3538
* BRENNAN, Andy—2004 — Machine Shop	865-3897
* BUCHANAN, Jim—1974 — Retail Lumber	865-3673
CALAWAY, JAMES — Clergy	933-7013
CASTELLANOS, Dave -- Steel Manufacturing & Construction	944-9040
COHEN, Howard — Education-Administration	306-2984
* DEDELOW, Duane — Business Development	670-0818
* ENDERLIN, Hansjeorg—2006 — Restaurants & Hotels	616-8213
FIGUEROA, Cristina -- Banking	228-2078
GOLDEN, Michelle — Customized Recognition Awards	937-3737
GOLDSMITH, Mark — Office Machines & Systems	934-2800
GRAY, Dennis — Education	838-7039
GRYZBEK, Tom — Hospital Administration	933-2094
HENRY, Dick — Attendance-excused (Vacuum Cleaner Retailing**)	845-6800
KACZKA, Mary —2005 — Business Planning & Development	808-2700
KARNS, Ted -- Youth Services	836-1720
* KELLY, Tim—1986 — Labor Law	791-0606
MACHNIKOWSKI, Nancy — Education-Community Relations	933-2400
McCARTHY, Kevin — General Contractor	322-2272
McCULLOUGH, Terrence — Insurance-Health	322-8274
* McHIE, Ed—1984 — Attendance-excused (General Law**)	931-1707
McLAUGHLIN, Mark -- Government, Municipal	853-6399
McNABNEY, James — Insurance-Consultants	924-5070
* MEYERS, Larry—1991 — Insurance-General	865-1777
MONBERG, Jeffrey — Lawyers-Banking Law	227-6111
MOORE-MORRIS, Rocharda — Education,-Public Affairs	218-2703
NAU, Peter — Machine Shops	933-0479
* OESTERLE, Jeff — Real Estate Investor	865-6275
PINTAR, Chuck— Banking	972-7412
* PRISBY, Jim—2003 — Banking	865-2649
RANDOLPH, Linda — Education Consultant	742-7122
* RECTOR, Clyde—1981 — Insurance-Fire	931-4000
* ROBINSON, Bill—1992 — Higher Education	989-2538
SANGER, Charles -- Physical Fitness	895-0706
* SCHUMACHER, Rick—1989 — Utility Law	738-6504
* SMIDDY, Harry—1961 — Banking Investment Trust	865-2846
SUGGS, Michael — Public Affairs	568-5655
TOBIN, Kathleen — Education	989-3192
WALKER, Judith — Music	513-0549
WEIN, Lisa — Community Services-General	931-2090
WHITE, Thomas — Insurance-General	972-7575
WOODRUFF, Lisa -- Education-Development	932-4137

* Past President ** Previous Classification

Current e-mail listings may be found at www.hammondrotary.org/members

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Multiple Fellows

- * Andy & Sarah Brennan
- * Jim & Corene Buchanan
- Duane Dedelow
- * Bill Hehemann
- Jim McNabney
- Jeff Oesterle
- Jim Prisby

In Memoriam

- A.C. Colby, Sr.
- A.C. Colby Jr.
- Cabe Davies
- Richard Devine
- Ray Elledge
- Jack Fox
- Joe Glotzbach
- Robert Heinze
- Al & Helen Kaye
- Emil Krejci
- John Kuppinger
- Burnham Lanham
- Jim McHie
- Dennis Gray
- Clare Oesterle
- Bill Parson
- Leo Pottlitzer
- Jack Rogers
- Henry & Helen Rosevear
- Fred Rowley
- Sam & Lilyan Sax
- Paul Stewart
- Theodore Thomas

- Bob Evans
- Richard E. Gardner
- Sally Gasser-Amber
- Frank Gorham
- June Hansen
- Kay Dell Knarr
- Dennis Kolacinski
- Bob Krumwied
- Bruce Lindner
- Chris Morrow
- Jim Oesterle
- Ken Osborne
- Susan Rehner
- Don Slattery
- Bob Sweet
- Cassel White
- Tom Yamada
- Phil Zoladz

Current Fellows

- Tim Anderson
- Bud Baker
- Cal Bellamy
- * Steve Bolanowski
- Howard Cohen
- Hans Enderlin
- Dennis Gray
- Hank Henkhaus
- ***Dick Henry
- Mary Kaczka
- Tim Kelly
- Nancy Machnikowski
- * Kevin McCarthy
- * Terry McCullough
- Ed McHie
- Larry Meyers
- Donna Prisby
- * Clyde Rector
- * Bill Robinson
- Rick Schumacher
- Harry Smiddy
- Tom White

Former Members

- Dave Allard
- Dale & Helen Anderson
- Mark Bader
- Rex Bucher
- Nate Carras
- Frank Chlebek
- Ave Colby
- Bruce Cook
- Lance Dodson
- Jim Donovan
- Gary Edwards

Sustaining Members

- Bassam Abdallah
- Mark Goldsmith
- Chuck Sanger
- Judith Walker
- Lisa Woodruff
- Lisa Wein

CONVENIENT MAKE-UP CLUBS

MONDAY

- LaPorte 5:30 Ramada Inn
- Valparaiso 12:15 Strongbow Inn

TUESDAY

- Chicago 12:00 Union League Club.
- Hobart 12:00 Brentwood Senior Com. Ctr.
- Munster 12:00 Center/Visual Perform. Arts
- Schererville 12:00 Briar Ridge Country Club

WEDNESDAY

- Crown Point 12:10 Youche Country Club
- Highland 12:00 Michael's

WEDNESDAY

- Merrillville 12:15 Radisson Hotel
- Portage 12:15 Stacy Hall Banquet Center

THURSDAY

- Gary 12:15 Miller Bakery Cafe
- Griffith 12:15 Bridge's Scoreboard
- Michigan City .. 12:00 Lubeznick Center.

FRIDAY

- Lansing 12:15 Papanano's
- Lowell 7:30 a.m. Nellie Jaynes Cafe'

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