

**Today's meeting** was called to order by President Taylor Huie at 12:15 p.m.

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited by all in attendance.

**Invocation:** Rotarian Seth W offered the invocation.

**Arts News** was presented by Rotarian D. Terry Williams:

1. Duke & the Loose Cannons, at Up & Under, Dec14th @ 5pm
2. Christmas Cabaret presented by Barn Theatre, Dec. 15th-22nd @ 7pm
3. NUTCRACKER! Christmas Ballet Dec. 9, 2024 at the Miller Auditorium Miller @ 7pm
4. ArtBreak: Legendary Artist's Talk: James Palmore, Dec. 10, 2024, at KIA
5. Rodgers & Hammerstein's "Cinderella", from Nov 29 - Dec. 22, presented by the Civic Theatre
6. Dust Bunnies, presented by Crawlspace Theatre , Dec 19th-21st at KNAC @ 7:30pm

**Foundation Impact Minute:** Rotarian Keith Mumma announced various opportunities to be a part of the Rotary Club's Guatemala literacy project in Feb 2025.

**Rotary Foundation:** A video was shared about the good work of our Foundation and Jim Cupper sought donations.

### **Visiting Rotarians**

Tim Meyer, Rotary Club of Grand Rapids

### **Guests**

Thomas Hatfield, Guest of Marvioletta Woodley-Penn

Dennis Lutz, Guest of Bob Hencken

Anthony Trobeck, Guests of Chris Shook

Richard Underwood, Guest of Nancy Peterson

Sean Kubit-Miller, Guest of Eric Breisach

Ryan Maxwell, Guest of Taylor Huie

Danielle Baucum, Guest of Rob Peterson

Ashton Anthony, Guest of Rob Peterson

### **Announcements**

1. Check for \$6,200 raised at the Oddlympics, was presented to Kalamazoo Parks & Recreation, to fund scholarships
2. Paul Harris Fellows recognition pins were presented to
  - Rich Voorman- PH+6; and
  - Jim Bridensyine - PH+2

3. Blue Badges were presented to Rotarians on completion of their first year as Rotarians:
  - Dare'l McMillian
  - Jennifer Jackson
  - Rhasheda Shepherd
  - Marvioletta Woodley-Penn, and
  - Chad Goodwill
  
4. President Taylor Huie announced the Club's Strategic Visioning to be conducted over 3 sessions in January on the 8th, 15th and 27th.

**The Program:** The Salvation Army Brass Band entertained with Christmas tunes, while Rotarian Ronnie Amick, from the Salvation Army, spoke of how the Red Kettle Bell ringing over the Christmas season, funded their programs. Through their Angel Tree Program, the Salvation Army supports 1800 families and 2,500 children.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm, with the recitation of the Four Way test, led by President Taylor Huie.

Our next meeting will be on January 6th, 2025