



Flint Rotary World

Charter No. 220 – *Rotary Club of Flint, Michigan* – Organized April 7, 1916
Rotary theme for 2013 - 14 – “Engage Rotary, Change Lives”

Ron D. Burton from Norman, Oklahoma, Rotary International President, – Don Moore, Walkerton, Ontario, Governor, District 6330

Coming up: 03/21/14: Kyle McCree & Natalie Pruett – Group Study Exchange Trip to Korea

OUR GUEST SPEAKERS



Glenn and Essence Wilson
Communities First, Inc.

Glenn Wilson and his wife Essence from Communities First, Inc. of Flint came to talk about the non-profit organization founded in 2010 to assist in rebuilding distressed communities. Their mission is to promote and provide affordable housing.

The couple presented their current project which is the Oak Street Senior Apartments in the former Oak School. The school was originally built in 1856, rebuilt in 1898, then had a gymnasium addition in the '60s.

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Essence and Glenn Wilson
Communities First, Inc.

VITAL STATISTICS

For the March 14th meeting:

Katherine Saunders led us in song, **Steven Low** was our greeter. **Elizabeth Cummins** provided set-up and take-down. **Katherine Saunders** registered and introduced our guests and visiting Rotarians. Providing the inspirational message was *A special thanks* goes out to **Paul Vanston** for providing musical accompaniment to our luncheon.

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In the process of creating the new senior center, CFI wanted to maintain the historical character of the original buildings, so the gym was demolished to add another wing for housing. This new wing could then be constructed to create apartments that meet today's barrier free requirements. It also allowed an elevator to be added for accessibility to all floors. Of the 24 total units, 8 barrier free apartments are available.

Glen was successful in bringing \$7.9M to Flint from HUD to develop this project. In his first attempt to get money from HUD, he was rejected. Not to be deterred, he regrouped, went back with a new plan and was able to secure the funding. No small feat.

Communities First, Inc. recently became registered as a Sustainable Performance Institute-HUD Accredited Organization. They are the only one in Michigan and one of 24 in the country. In keeping with their Sustainable focus, the apartments and public spaces included components from the original construction including, doors, wainscoting, transoms and chalkboards.

The project struck a strong chord with people in the community who once attended the school. Former students and teachers stooped by and shared their stories of the building. Some were even looking over the place as a potential future residence.

Essence and Glen ended their presentation by asking for community participation on the level of being a resource, sharing advice, spending time with the organization, advocacy of their mission, making introductions, and monetary contributions, all to help the organization grow.

To find out more about Communities First, Inc., Oak Street Senior Apartments, or any other program, go to their website at <http://www.communitiesfirstinc.org/>

19th Annual **JEFF PRESTON CELEBRITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**
Port Elgin Rotary's Annual Golf Classic in support of Muscular Dystrophy research
on Friday, July 18, 2014 Shot Gun start 11am
Entry Fee per player \$150
Tax receipt (for donation amount)

Brunch at registration
Lunch on the course
Buffet Dinner
Live Auction at dinner
Celebrities for all groups
Jeff Preston Speech
to end the evening

Previous Celebrities
Johnny Bower
Kris King Louie DeBrusk
Bobby Baun Paul MacDermid
Bryan Lewis Gary Leeman
Ryan Janzen Gary Jeffries
Brett MacLean

Thursday July 17 – 7 pm
Wine and Cheese & Silent Auction
"NEW" Saugeen Golf Course Clubhouse
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Makeup Date	Rotarian	Makeup Location
02/18/14	George Ananich	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Robert Bennett	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Michael Chaffee	Board Meeting
02/18/14	J. Joseph Fioroni	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Dawn Hibbard	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Amy Krug	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Gerald McCarty	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Rebecca Millsap	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Donald Rockwell	Board Meeting
02/18/14	Erica Zeiders	Board Meeting
02/20/14	Lawrence Melancon	Spring Valley, SC
03/06/14	Lawrence Melancon	Spring Valley, SC
03/11/14	Richard Fortner	Genesee Valley
03/11/14	Robert Jewell	Fenton
03/11/14	Michael Kelly	Genesee Valley
03/11/14	Donald Lada	Grand Blanc
03/11/14	Paul Wenstrom	Grand Blanc
03/12/14	Kyle McCree	Flint Sunrise
03/13/14	Robert Jewell	Flushing
03/13/14	Lawrence Melancon	Spring Valley, SC
03/14/14	Howard Shand	Sarasota Sunrise, FL

Where to make up:

Monday
Saginaw Valley 12:15 PM
Horizons Conference Center

Tuesday
Clio 7:15 AM
Roger's Lodge
Durand 11:30 AM
Durand City Hall Basement
Grand Blanc 7:15 AM
Sophie's Kitchen
Fenton 7:15 AM
Spring Meadows Country Club
Genesee Valley (Flint) 12:15 PM
Redwood Lodge, Hill Rd.
Lapeer 12:10 PM
Lapeer County Center Building
Columbiaville 6:30 PM
Rotary Building

Wednesday
Greater Flint Sunrise 7:00 AM
RTC at Mott Community College
Owosso 12:15 PM
Owosso Memorial Hosp. Annex
Saginaw 12:00 PM
Saginaw Club
Davisburg 7:00 PM
Don Hart Community Center

Thursday
Flushing 7:00 AM
Sorrento's Restaurant
Burton 12:10 PM
Brookwood Golf Club
Frankenmuth 12:10 PM
Zehnder's Restaurant
Corunna 12:00 PM
United Methodist Church

Future Programs:

03/28/14: Elizabeth Garlow, Executive Director at Michigan Corp – Kiva Flint

04/04/14: Leon C. Collins, Executive Producer at iMichigan Productions – Godfrey Brown Generations: From Slavery to Freedom

04/11/14: Adam Wygant, Geologist & Section Chief of the Department of Environmental Quality – Michigan's Regulatory Response to Hydraulic Fracturing

04/18/14: NO MEETING – Good Friday/Easter Holiday

04/25/14: Mayor Dayne Walling & Emergency Manager Darnell Earley – City of Flint

05/02/14: TBA

05/09/14: Dr. Robert K. McMahan Jr., President – Kettering University

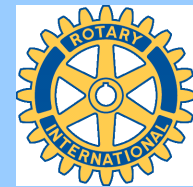
05/16/14: Jeff Wright, Genesee County Drain Commissioner

05/23/14: NO MEETING – Memorial Day Holiday

05/30/14: TBA

06/20/14: Rhetta Hunyady, Executive Director – Youth Quest Program

06/27/14: Presidential Roast/Farewell of Joe Fioroni



The Rotary Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"

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