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Today's Meeting News

• Hosts

- **Greeters**
 - Chuck Gehrke
 - Sharell Gehrke
- **Presiding Officer**
 - Jody Howard
- **Reporter**
 - Lana Archer
- **Photographer**
 - Dick McLaughlin
- **Publisher**
 - Dick McLaughlin
- **Invocation**
 - Lance Ness
- **Song Leader**
 - Ken Boyd - "America"

• Guests

- Guests from Clusters of Courtland Place were Liz Harris and Stella Shafer. The Clusters was the Chamber of Commerce business of the week last week.



Liz Harris and Stella Shafer from Clusters of Courtland Place Condominiums.

• Announcements

- Thank You from Beeler, a Scholarship recipient.

- o Cute Thank You note about the Tecumseh District Library Summer Reading program. Someone questioned if it looked like Gayle's handwriting.
- o Beth Noden announced that Saturday, September 13, at 2:00 PM will be our Museum of the Great Lakes fellowship outing.



- o Loretta Pickford from Art + Counseling will be next week's program.
- o **Doug Bird reminded members that the centerfold picture will be next week August 12th. Arrive 15 minutes early, please.**

Doug Bird announced we have raised \$15,500 in sales on the Travel and Adventure brochure.



- o Tom Meyer announced that he has 3 openings for the 10 PM to 3 AM shift on Thursday, August 14th, at MIS.
- o Spencer Ruffner announced that the Spotted Cow is the Tecumseh Area Chamber of Commerce Member of the

Week. Members suggested they should bring us Ice Cream.



Spencer Ruffner Announces TACC Member of the Week.

- o Cal announced there will be a Flag building in Lana's barn at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, August 12th.



Cal Tuttle Announces Flag Building Session.

• 50/50 Drawing

\$72.00 won by George Eidson who got in the pot at the last minute.



• Fine Session

Fine Master Lana Archer ask questions of Silly Trivia. Did you know that a dragonfly lives only 24 hours?



Special Fines and Happy Dollars

- Beth Noden for free game and dinner from Mud Hens since the game was rained out.
- Tom Meyer had fun at Mud Hens, but was thinking of a different story than Beth. Something about Mike McAran drinking in Blissfield.



- Dick McLaughlin had a Happy Dollar for getting to talk about his favorite books in Lenawee Magazine.
- Wendy Brys has a Happy Dollar for the handyman who came to her house.



• Birthdays and Anniversaries

There are four birthdays this week:

- Kelly Coffin on August 8th.
- Heather Masten on August 8th.
- Dick Feight on August 10th.
- Ken DeRemer on August 10th.

Kelly was not at the meeting, but Ken Boyd led us in singing for rest.



Ken Boyd Leads Happy Birthday for Dick Feight, Ken DeRemer and Heather Masten.

There were two anniversaries this week:

- John and Elaine Bartram on August 6th.



Anniversary Celebrant John Bartram.

- Spencer Ruffner and Julie Hewlett on August 10th.



Anniversary Celebrant Spencer Ruffner.

We sang again for the two couples.

• Program

Steve Burnett, Journey Property Inspections and Habitat board member introduced Lynn Punnett the Executive Director for Habitat for Humanity of Lenawee County who spoke to us regarding the Neighborhood Revitalization program. Habitat covers Lenawee County having recently completed 2 residences in Tecumseh, 1 in Morence and 3 in Adrian. Habitat is a Community developer, not just a house here and a house there. Their mission is "A world where everybody has a decent place to live". Habitat was founded in 1976 in Americus, Georgia, with a group of 20+ people. In 2013 almost 200,000 families were helped with homes.



Steve Burnett Introduces of Habitat for Humanity Executive Director Lynn Punnett.

Habitat is now engaging residents. Giving a hand up not a hand out. They now do critical repairs to homes - new

roofs, handrails, etc. Currently they are doing no new construction. They are seeking 100s of thousands of dollars from donors. Donors want to know how lives are changed - Habitat has to prove with certified data that lives have improved or they have to return grant funds to the donors.

The impact is measured by Neighbor Works and Habitat has a 2 year commitment. It will require new staff to do this new program. They have been having community meetings and find that there is lots of pride in residents. Their Parish Park meeting was attend by 67 people. The concerns of the residents were: 1. Stray Cats and Dogs, 2. Sidewalks needing repair, 3. Drugs, 4. Wants for neighborhoods - parks, Farmers Market, Community gardens, 5. Remove Graffiti, 6. Need resources. Valspar provides free paint, and on September 19th Habitat will paint the exterior of a house during the United Way Day of Action. The project is called "Rock the Block". The area where the Neighborhood Revitalization will take place has not yet been identified, but will be an area where there is a higher concentration of owners rather than rentals.



• Future Meeting Responsibilities

Date	Note Taker	Greeters	Invocation	Fines	Program Chair	Program Description
August 12th	Ken Boyd	Bryan Masten Heather Masten	Dick Feight	Gayle Hazelbaker	Beth Noden	TBA
August 19th	Kelly Coffin	Lana Archer Kelly Coffin	Chuck Gehrke	Wendy Brys	Wendy Brys	District Convention Report
August 26th	Jody Howard	Zack Bock Dan Meikle	Sharon Hawley	Brian Callaghan	Ron Musselman	Street Repair Millage - Kevin Welch
September 2nd	Ken Boyd	TBA	TBA	TBA	Megan Porter	Investments - Jim Zawacki



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