



SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

It's hard to believe we're almost halfway through the month and it's our first September meeting! Our President Mike Kinney shared his excitement over the approach of Fall, his third favorite season after Spring and Summer and while talk of football was a solid component of pre-meeting conversation, rest assured that the e-Wheel shall remain impartial in all sports-related issues.

HIGH TECH FOR NEW LMC HANSON TECH CENTER

Dr. Bob Harrison is no stranger to most Rotarians...or to most citizens of Southwest Michigan for that manner. He started out the presentation by answering the top questions he consistently gets about Lake Michigan College.

First he shared that enrollment is down about 2% which is what they had budgeted for and is a sign that our economy is strengthening.

Second, student housing has been a great addition and although capacity is close to 250, academic standards necessary for residency have kept the number closer to 170--the goal being that students do not accumulate debt if they are not ready for the responsibility.

Finally, and of course, what we're all wondering--how's that Viticultural program going? Well, fifteen students started last Tuesday and plans are on track and they're just as excited as we are about tasting the literal fruits of their efforts.

Back to the subject at hand, Ken Flowers brought our attention to the exciting new Hanson Technology Center which is currently in construction and slated for opening for the Fall 2016 semester.

Flowers, a Lake Michigan Catholic graduate and lifelong Southwest Michigan resident, has 15 years experience with LMC and was one of the first employees at the M-TEC facility.



The Hanson Technology Center is more than just a new building. It will support manufacturing as the economic cornerstone of this region. According to the Economic Policy Institute, "for each job manufacturing creates, three other jobs are created in the wider economy."

The project has several clear and measurable goals developed by business and industry representatives, College faculty and staff. These goals include:

- Express the spirit of an innovative and transformational manufacturing program to students & the public.
- Support multidisciplinary growth, developing a 'whole' student and exposing to new possibilities.
- Create the flexibility to quickly respond to changing and emerging needs in the manufacturer community.
- Become an economic game changer for the region by engaging the campus and community.
- Develop a visually accessible concept that stimulates investigation and supports a program able to attract, retain and teach students about manufacturing.

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Joke of the Week!

I'm so happy fall is almost here, now we can stop trying to get that summer bikini body and concentrate on our fall sweater body.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- 9/19 Benton Harbor Sunrise Rotary Pumpkin 5K & 10K and The Great Bed Race. More info at sunriserotarypumpkinfest.org
- 9/21 Meeting: Dr. Patricia Quattrin, Benton Harbor Girls Academy
- 9/28 Meeting: Aleksandra Yanushko, Exchange Student Program

District Raffle tickets will be available starting next week at \$20 each. We receive credit back for tickets sold!



Rotarians with September Birthdays

- 9/3 - Aaron Bradford
- 9/6 - Al Pscholka
- 9/11 - M'Shannon Rockette
- 9/12 - Gary Bruce
- 9/15 - Lynn Kellogg
- 9/17 - John Olson
- 9/27 - Jill Stone
- 9/30 - Patrick Bosse



Visiting Rotarians

Patricia Grant, David Krieger and Bryan Tutton of the Benton Harbor Sunrise Rotary



Rotarians with Guests

Gyl Kasewurm brought Jessica Woodson
John Olson brought Bill Hanley



Rotary Anniversaries

- 12 Years - Brian Sauer
- 22 Years - Art Fenrick
- 30 Years - Gayle Olson



John Berlin has rejoined the Rotary Club of St. Joseph-Benton Harbor!



To Jackie Huie on being nominated for the Global Women of Action Award by District Governor Rick Briscoe!



Thank you to the Rotary Interactors who volunteered this past weekend at TEC Fest!

HIGH TECH FOR NEW TECH

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By locating the Hanson Technology Center on the Napier campus, enrollment in manufacturing programs has a greater potential to increase as virtually all LMC students will be exposed to the programs versus only 10% who are exposed to the M-TEC facility. This location will also provide an ease of enrollment and more efficient scheduling for students as well as improved student access to student support services such as advising and financial aid.



Increased enrollment in manufacturing programs also provides a more skilled labor force for our region's manufacturers. Blending programs in the arts, innovation, fabrication and manufacturing will improve instruction and training, inspiring students to explore careers in manufacturing that they may not have otherwise imagined. A larger instructional center will allow for the introduction of new programs in Mechatronics and Robotics, as well as an expanded Fab Lab program, and more!

With larger labs and upgraded classrooms, the Hanson Technology

Center will be designed with the diverse training needs of business in:

- Apprenticeship Programs
- Energy Production Technology including General Energy Production and Health Physics/Radiation Protection
- Welding
- CAD/CAM
- Industrial Maintenance
- Machine Tool/CNC and Rigging
- Electronics including Hydraulics and Pneumatics

New and expanded programs include:

Robotics: The College will expand from two to six robots and offer certificate programs in Robotics programming and Robotics maintenance.

Engineering Tech: This program will be expanded to offer a Baccalaureate degree in applied Engineering through University partnerships on the College's campus. Concentrations will include Controls and Mechanical Engineering.

Prototype and Design Technology: Students will build 3D prototypes for use in manufacturing, consumer products and other fields of product development.

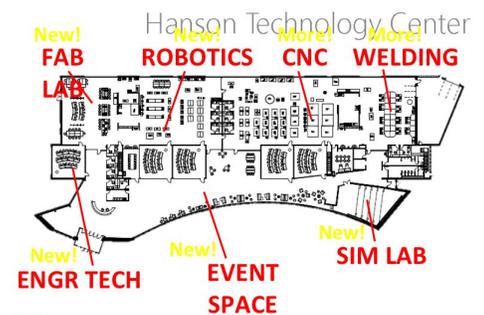
Creative Welding: Capitalizing on a growing medium in the arts world,

the College will offer classes in welding as an artistic expression.

Innovations and Fabrications: The College will offer credit and non-credit programs to students and the community--providing opportunities to problem-solve, design and prototype.

Mechatronics: Combining mechanics, electronics, informatics, automation and robotics, the College will offer training in one of the most dynamically developing fields of technology and science.

Energy Baccalaureate: The College will offer a Bachelor of Applied Science in Energy Production and Distribution Management. Students will learn the technical skills to be successful in energy plant operations plus the business and management skills to supervise workers in careers related to energy production and power management.



So far, approximately 3.6 million (75% of goal) has been raised for this exciting project. While the actual cost of the project is approximately 11 million, this will be met through continued fundraising, cash on hand and through the accumulation of some debt.

SJ TODAY LEADER (AND ROTARIAN) HEADED TO CALIFORNIA

First Clay and now this! While she was not in attendance at this week's meeting, the cat's out of the bag! Our best wishes to Jill Stone as she embarks on the next chapter of her exciting adventure.

FROM MOODY ON THE MARKET



The whisper story circulating throughout the community regarding the potential departure of St. Joseph Today's Executive Director Jill Stone is now confirmed. In her regular communication to merchants in the central business

district, members and other interested parties affiliated with the merchant promotion organization, Stone tells followers about her impending move to California to join her husband who recently relocated there for a new job.

One of the hardest working, most dedicated cheerleaders in the history of the region will be leaving by the end of the year, and the search is about to get started to find her replacement.

Here is what Board Chair Deb Sailor of Jimmy Johns had to say:

Dear Members,

It is with great sadness that the board announces Executive Director Jill Stone's impending departure as she prepares to join her husband in California. We are fortunate that she will be here to finish our summer season and continue into the fall. It is our hope to have a new director in place by year end. We have formed a search committee and will accept applications from September 8 thru September 30.

While we wish Jill all the best in her future endeavors, she is leaving very big shoes to fill! Her amazing spirit and attitude, as well as her leadership and hard work have been the foundation for our organization's tremendous success the past 3 years. She has worked tirelessly for the benefit of all our members, and she has brought together a fabulous team who will continue to work for all of us. It is because of her passion and commitment that our organization is poised to excel under new leadership, and we are optimistic that we will find a qualified candidate to carry on our mission to make this an amazing community to live, work and play!

Please join the board in congratulating Jill on all of her accomplishments during her tenure at St Joseph Today. Her departure is a great loss to our town, but I know she will certainly brighten another community as she embarks on a new adventure in California.

Sincerely,
Deb Sailor
Chairman, St Joseph Today

STUDENT PROGRAM TIME!

Rotarian Jackie Huie reminded us today that now that school is back in session, the Student Program is also heating up!

Sponsored by Rotary International since 2007, this program seeks to align students with business professionals in the student's dream job. Interested students submit essays for review and if chosen for participation and business

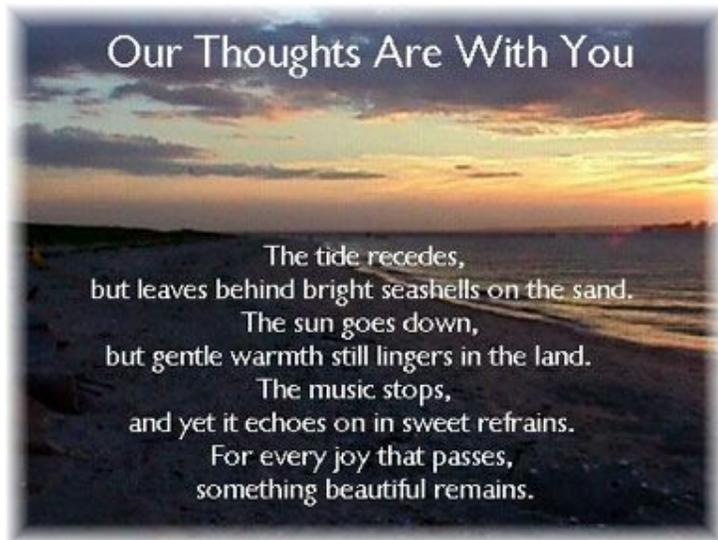
professional matched, a Rotarian volunteer helps facilitate the meeting. Huie likened Rotarians to the cell phone towers that make the connections between people in our community.

Some notable matches include David Reimer's match with Jeff Fettig which led to an internship and then a full-time position at Whirlpool. Through the program, Hailey Bruce had the opportunity to connect over

the phone with prima ballerina Misty Copeland.

Between the Rotary Club of St. Joseph-Benton Harbor, Benton Harbor Sunrise and Lakeshore Rotary, this program is available at Michigan Lutheran, St. Joseph High School, Lake Michigan Catholic, Countryside Academy, Benton Harbor High School and Lakeshore. Visit rotarystudentprogram.org for more information.

Our Deepest Sympathies to the family of Rotarian Jim Maxwell



James W. "Doc" Maxwell, DO

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James Waldron "Doc" Maxwell, DO, 85, of Benton Harbor, passed away, Saturday, September 05, 2015 at Lakeland Regional Medical Center, St. Joseph.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held 11:30 A.M. Wednesday, September 9 at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Rd., St. Joseph, with Rev. Terry Schneider officiating. Burial will follow at Riverview Cemetery, St. Joseph. Friends may call from 5:30 until 8:00 P.M. Tuesday at the funeral home, with Masonic Rites conducted at 7:30 P.M. Memorial Donations may be made to Scottdale United Methodist Church, St. Joseph-Benton Harbor Rotary Foundation or Lakeshore Lodge #298 F&AM Scholarship Fund. Those wishing to sign Jim's Memory Book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Jim was born September 13, 1929 in Chenoa, Illinois to

D. Richard & M. Louise (Waldron) Maxwell. He graduated from the University of Maryland and was accepted at the Kansas City College of Osteopathy. He served his internship & residency at the Kansas City Osteopathic Hospital. On September 1, 1956, he married the former Hannah Funk in Turner, Kansas. Soon after they moved to Benton Township where Doc Maxwell established his family practice, which he operated for 55 years until his retirement in 2014. He was a member of the American Osteopathic Association, Twin Cities Amateur Radio Club, the St. Joseph-Benton Harbor Rotary Club where he was a recipient of the Paul Harris Award, a member of The Grand Mere Gun & Rifle Club, a life member of the National Rifle Association and an expert marksman. He was a 50 year member of Peace Temple United Methodist Church in Benton Harbor until the church closed in 2009 and he joined Scottdale United Methodist Church. Jim was also a 32 degree Mason with Lakeshore Lodge #298 F&AM in Benton Harbor and a member of the Valley of Grand Rapids Scottish Rite, and served as a Benton Township Reserve Police Officer for many years. In his free time Jim enjoyed Chicago Cubs and Detroit Tigers baseball, Ham Radio-N8RYD, studying astronomy and taking photos of the solar system with his telescope, and riding his Harley anytime the weather permitted. He was a quiet, soft-spoken man with a vast amount of talent and abilities. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Jim is survived by his wife Hannah; his son Richard Maxwell of Benton Harbor; his brother-in-law Richard Dean Funk of San Angelo, TX; his long-time office receptionist & family friend-Marjorie Muirhead of Stevensville; and his beloved feline companion Waldo. He was preceded in death by his son David on April 2, 2000, his parents, and his brother-in-law & sisters-in-law James & Gay Funk and Dorothy Funk.

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