



MAY 2, 2016

A full house for our first meeting in May which also happened to be Law Day. It marks a special day where we are able to learn more about a legal topic but it's also a week when it's super easy to find an "on theme" joke for the eWheel!

MIRANDA - MORE THAN WORDS

The only thing missing from Law Day 2016 was the popcorn. Law Day brings together members of the St. Joseph-Benton Harbor Rotary Club and the Berrien County Bar Association for an educational program and the awarding of the Berrien County Bar Association Essay winners.

This year, a last minute cancellation resulted in an interesting movie day as members got to watch The Constitution Project's documentary - The Right to Remain Silent. The movie tied in nicely with the essay contest theme: Miranda - More Than Words.

Three St. Joseph High School students were honored for their unique perspectives on how rights are protected through the Miranda Warning that informs people under arrest of their rights to silence and an attorney to represent them.

Madison Knapp received the first place award, followed by Alysah Zachary and Meghan Lynch.

The Right to Remain Silent movie day followed up with the story behind the now famous Miranda Warning.



IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ 5/6: Rotary Track Meet at Benton Harbor High School
- ❖ 5/9 Meeting: Jennifer Zimmerman, Junior Achievement
- ❖ 5/14: SWMSO Dancing with the Symphony Stars (featuring a few familiar faces)
- ❖ 5/16 Meeting: Track Meet Scholarships & Interact Student Officers
- ❖ 5/23 Meeting: Ric Pawloski, Mosaic CCDA
- ❖ 5/30: Memorial Day // NO MEETING
- ❖ 6/27: Installation Dinner at Hilton Garden Inn at 5:30 p.m. // NO AFTERNOON MEETING



The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and 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?

JOKE OF THE WEEK

A lawyer dies and goes to Heaven. "There must be some mistake," the lawyer argues. "I'm too young to die. I'm only 55." "Fifty-five?" says Saint Peter. "No, according to our calculations, you're 82." "How'd you get that?" the lawyer asks. Answers St. Peter, "We added up your time sheets."



happy
birthday

ROTARIANS WITH MAY BIRTHDAYS!

5/1 - Leslie Miller
5/5 - Mary Frey
5/7 - Steve Upton
5/9 - Richard Trzupsek & Patrick Swem
5/10 - Michael Ahern
5/13 - Steve Smith
5/15 - John Berlin & Mary Spiegel
5/20 - Debra Trapikas & Kristi Aubrey
5/21 - Stephen Martin
5/26 - Nicole Beltz
5/27 - Char Wenham
5/28 - Barclay Johnson



10+ YEAR ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

12 Years - Chad Deja & Bob Judd
14 Years - Rick Villa
17 Years - Thomas Chapman
20 Years - John Carter
30 Years - Burt Pearson II & Tom Starks
38 Years - Jack Chandler
42 Years - Jack Keller

Save the Dates

Our Installation Dinner, where we induct our new officers, will be held on Monday, June 27 at the Hilton Garden Inn. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. There will be no noon meeting that day.



59th St. Joseph - Benton Harbor



Rotary Track Meet

It's almost time to run! The 59th running of the St. Joseph-Benton Harbor Rotary Track Meet will be held on Friday, May 6 at the Benton Harbor High School.

If you have signed up to volunteer, please know that we are counting on you. If there is an emergency and you need to cancel, please make sure to call Randy at 269-876-7233.

This has also been a record year for advertising sales! A big thank you to all who are supporting the event as an organizer, volunteer, advertiser or spectator!



DANCIN' ROTARIANS!

The Dancing with the Symphony Stars smack talk has hit Rotary! We've got several Rotarians represented this year. Good luck to Whitney Behnke, Lisa Cripps-Downey and Randy Reimers!



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PURCHASING TICKETS?

Consider [purchasing through St. Joseph High School](#). A portion of the sale will be donated and split between SJHS Key Club and Interact.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENT

In July, Sasha will be returning to her home in St. Petersburg, Russia. For the Trapikas family, it will be very sad because Sasha has been just "one of the family" for the past year. We will miss her very much.

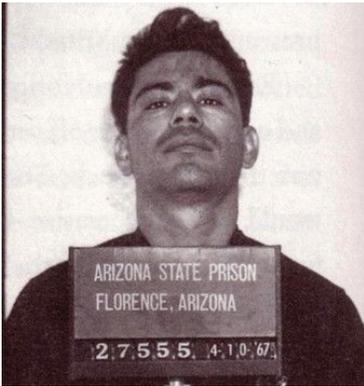
But now, it is time to think forward. We have a lovely Brazilian girl who will be arriving in July or August, but we have no home for her. We need your help! We need two families to give her room and board. The first family will get her until the middle of January and the second family will have her from the rest of January through her return home in July.

All that is required of a host family is 1) they be a kind, caring, loving family who will treat the student as if she is their own child, not a guest; 2) a bed to herself. She can share a bedroom with a like student (near same age and gender); 3) Three meals a day (you will pay for her school meals, or send her with a lunch). Other than that, there just isn't much more to do. Take her around the city, the state, or on vacation to other states. Enjoy her. Learn as much from her, as she will be learning from you. Treat her kindly. Make her do chores around the house so she will be part of the family. Make sure she gets to school or school activities.

This isn't hard. It is so much fun. I know, because I have been through this five times now. I've had one student for TWO years; another for ONE and three others for 6 months each. I got more out of this than probably anyone else. I have learned to love each student and then give them back when their time is finished. Please, if you have never hosted before, give it a chance. Give yourself a chance to grow and learn as well. Contact Jennifer Kirsch, our new Youth Exchange Officer at 985-8517 or email her at jennifer.m.kirsch@gmail.com.

MIRANDA (CONTINUED)

In *Miranda v. Arizona* (1966), the Supreme Court ruled that detained criminal suspects, prior to police questioning, must be informed of their constitutional right to an attorney and against self-incrimination. The case began with the 1963 arrest of Phoenix resident Ernesto Miranda, who was charged with rape, kidnapping, and robbery for forcibly taking a woman into his car where he raped and robbed her prior to dropping her off at her home.



Miranda was not informed of his rights prior to the police interrogation. During the two-hour interrogation, Miranda allegedly confessed to committing the crimes, which the police apparently recorded. Miranda, who

had not finished ninth grade and had a history of mental instability, had no counsel present.

At trial, the prosecution's case consisted solely of his confession. Miranda was convicted of both rape and kidnapping and sentenced to 20 to 30 years in prison. He appealed to the Arizona Supreme Court, claiming that the police had unconstitutionally obtained his confession. The court disagreed, however, and upheld the conviction. Miranda appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, which reviewed the case in 1966.

The Supreme Court, in a 5-4 decision written by Chief Justice Earl Warren, ruled that the prosecution could not introduce Miranda's confession as evidence in a criminal trial because the police had failed to first inform Miranda of his right to an attorney and against self-incrimination. The police duty to give these warnings is compelled by the Constitution's Fifth Amendment, which gives a criminal suspect the right

to refuse "to be a witness against himself," and Sixth Amendment, which guarantees criminal defendants the right to an attorney.

The Court noted police violence designed to compel confessions from a suspect. This and other forms of intimidation, maintained the Court, deprive criminal suspects of their basic liberties and can lead to false confessions. The defendant's right to an attorney is an equally fundamental right, because the presence of an attorney in interrogations, according to Chief Justice Warren, enables "the defendant under otherwise compelling circumstances to tell his story without fear, effectively, and in a way that eliminates the evils in the interrogations process."

Thus, to protect these rights in the face of widespread ignorance of the law, the Court devised statements that the police are required to tell a defendant who is being detained and interrogated. These mandatory "Miranda Rights" begin with "the right to remain silent," and continue with the statement that "anything said can and will be used against [the defendant] in a court of law." The police are further compelled to inform the suspect of his or her right to an attorney and allow for (or, if necessary, provide for) a defendant's attorney who can accompany him during interrogations.

Because none of these rights was afforded to Ernesto Miranda and his "confession" was thus unconstitutionally admitted at trial, his conviction was reversed. Miranda was later retried and convicted without the admission of his confession.

After his release from prison, Miranda was part of a violent fight in an Arizona bar. He received a lethal wound from a knife, and he was pronounced dead on arrival at Good Samaritan Hospital. The man who assaulted Miranda was, ironically, read his Miranda rights.



TWO GREAT ROTARY COMMITTEES ARE IN NEED OF YOUR HELP!

We've got a few Rotary committees who are eager to recruit some new members. It's a great way to stay engaged and to serve the efforts of Rotary.

50/50 Committee

Here's a great opportunity to meet other members of our club, help with fundraising for the Interact students, become engaged by joining a committee and receive a makeup if you meet the requirements. Talk to Rick Villa if you are able to help or send him an email at rvilla@villaenv.com.



Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is looking for a few members to help out in the following areas:

1. Website and Facebook Page, a great opportunity if you enjoy working on websites, or want to learn how to work on a website.
2. Writers and lay-out artists needed for the eWheel, our weekly newsletter. Because the eWheel is so frequent we need several more writers to help balance the load. You get to use your creative, artistic talents, and the membership will appreciate you so much!
3. A photographer is needed to take pictures at all of our events for the eWheel. Can you, or someone you know do it?
4. People with press release skills are needed as well. We try to get at least seven big stories in the paper each year, and as many small items as we can.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Debra Trapikas, Committee Chair at 861-0718 or email her at tawana53@aol.com and let's discuss it. Also, if anyone has any information they think should be published, contact Debra as well. If you are a new member to the club, this is a great way to get the yellow ribbon off.

WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE E-WHEEL?

Your weekly email is brought to you by Emily Hosinski, Debra Trapikas, Jennifer Kirsch, Lisa Cripps-Downey and Jim O'Malley. If you have an announcement, a bit of news you wish to share, or a story you wish to see featured, please write to tawana53@aol.com.

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