

Celebrity Waiter Night opens community read

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The 2020 Celebrity Waiter Night, an annual fundraiser for the One Book, One Community project, will take place Monday.

Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30 at Joe's French Italian Inn, 2896 N. Dixie Hwy. Guests will select from a menu of Lake Erie yellow perch, chicken parmigiana or quinoa and vegetable cakes with pasta.

Diners' tips to the celebrity servers support One Book, One Community. There will also be themed gift basket raffles, with winning tickets to be drawn at the event.

One Book, One Community is an community literary project in which book discussions, speakers, films and other events are scheduled along the theme of the book chosen for the year. This year's selection is "What the Eyes Don't See" by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, relating the story of the Flint water crisis.

The schedule of activities runs from March 9 through April 3; Hanna-Attisha will speak and sign books March 26.

The celebrity waiters are:

- Robert Clark, Monroe mayor.
- Brian Egen, Monroe County historical commissioner and executive producer at The Henry Ford.
- Troy Goodnough, head of jail operations for the Monroe County Sheriff's Office.
- Barbra Krueger, youth services technician at the Monroe County Library System.
- Josh Myers, executive director at The Foundation at MCCC.
- Dr. Kojo Quartey, president of Monroe County Community College.
- Rachel Reaume, program specialist at the Monroe County Museum.
- Rachel Schneider, multimedia journalist at WTVG 13ABC.
- Suzanne Wetzel, vice president of administration at MCCC.
- Grace Yackee, vice president of instruction at MCCC.

For more information about the One Book, One Community project, go to www.monroeccc.edu/onebook.