

Rotary Motto

*Service Above
Self*

4-Way Test

*Of the things
we think, say
or do:*

Is it the truth?

*Is it fair to all
concerned?*

*Will it build
goodwill and
better
friendship?*

*Will it be
beneficial to all
concerned?*

Avenues of
Service

Club Service

*Vocational
Service*

*Community
Service*

*International
Service*

Youth Service

ROTARY NOTES

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APRIL 10, 2024

ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS

April 17, 2024 - Patti Augustine
April 24, 2024 - Volunteer Needed
May, 2024 - Patti Augustine

REGISTRATION

April, 2024 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak
May, 2024 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak

INVOCATION

April, 2024 - Ted Stazak
May, 2024 - Terra O'Brien

FELLOWSHIP (1st & 3rd Wed.) & MAGAZINE REPORT (2nd Wed.)

April 17th - Ray Sinchak (Fellowship)
May, 2024 - Kim Straniak

CAREER AWARENESS (4th Wed. of the Month)

April 24, 2024 - Robin Martorana
May, 2024 - To Be Announced

SPEAKERS

4/17/24 - Mike Wilson, Rodney Dangerfield
4/24/24 - Mark Miller, Magician
5/1/24 - RYLA Students
5/8/24 - Denim Day Presentation
5/15/24 - Mike Wilson, Game
5/22/24 - Jason Gray, TCTC
5/29/24 - Brendan Byers, Oakland Center for the Arts

Areas of Focus

Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution

Disease Prevention & Treatment

Water & Sanitation

Maternal & Child Health

Basic Education & Literacy

Economic & Community Development

The Environment

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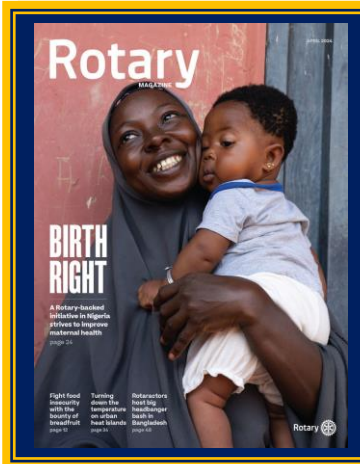
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MAGAZINE REPORT



The Rotary Club of Warren was pleased to welcome Visiting Rotarian, Pamela Gorvet from Austintown, and Amy Phillips' guest (and first egg customer!), Jill Anderson, to this week's meeting.

Following introductions, Lauren Kramer presented her review of the April issue of *Rotary*. First, Lauren informed us that the Rotary Club of Broomfield, Colorado is offering a chance to win a fully restored 1967

Corvette Convertible 327/350 4-Speed. By making a donation to the club's charitable foundation, you can enter their sweepstakes up until April 17th. They will hold a drawing for the winner on April 25th. Imagine cruising in this collectable vehicle! Enter the sweepstakes by scanning the QR code on page 5 of this month's magazine.

Turn to page 11 and you'll find the article that the bulk of Lauren's presentation focused on - Climate Smarts. This article is written by a member of the Rotary E-club of Washington District 9999 who practices regenerative agriculture. In this method, nutrients are restored to the soil. This helps to feed her region's growing population "in the least resource-intensive way possible". The author, Angela TenBroeck, combines growing on land with aquaponics, a technique of raising plants from seed to harvest alongside fish, using a fraction of the land used in traditional farming. The fish waste acts as a fertilizer for crops.

TenBroeck has shared her expertise with people all over the world, most recently in the South Sudan. There, she helped develop farms in partnership with a local health care organization through the non-profit she started, the Center for Sustainable Agricultural Excellence and Conservation. In addition, she represented Rotary at the COP28 climate summit, where she taught fellow Rotarians that farming can save water,

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suggestions
about our
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you would like
to become a
sponsor, please**

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Judy Masaki

people, and the planet.

Finally, just as we recently held Slice of the Valley, Rotarians across the world also sponsor events that raise money for their communities. Lauren encouraged us to check out some of these events highlighted in Our World: People of Action Around the Globe on pages 16 and 17 of April's edition of Rotary.

PROGRAM:

**AMY PHILLIPS,
SUNSHINE GOLDEN ACRES**

After working at General Motors as a Paint Specialist for 25 years, Amy Phillips was diagnosed as having thyroid cancer and benign reoccurring liver tumors. 80% of her liver and her thyroid were surgically removed. Due to her medical issues, she took a buyout from GM, became a landlord, and bought a farm in order to get her mind off of her health issues and give herself a purpose in life. That was the start of Sunshine Golden Acres.

On her farm, she had three barns and some chickens. Amy bought a pregnant goat and a buddy for her, and she made goat milk soap as a hobby. She later opened an Etsy store, and her soap sold like crazy! She also began to make other products like lotions, fudge, caramels, ice cream, cheese, butter, etc.

After buying a building on Mahoning Avenue in Warren, Amy started to offer soap making classes on the last two Sundays of each month and opened a soap store and goat milk farmer's market. Her soap making classes offer the full farm experience - lunch, the opportunity to milk the goats, collect chicken eggs, and use soap molds and cutters. Her first farmer's market was held on April 7th of this year, and she now has vendors lined up through October. The Farmer's Market will run on the first Sunday of the month from May through July, and on the first and third Sunday of each month from August through October. A special activity will occur as part of the market each month.

Amy now ships her soap to all 50 states, and she makes over 50 scents. The top sellers are Oatmeal Honey, Cherry Blossom and Lavender. She makes 500 bars of soap a week. The soap, which is made from raw filtered goat milk and oils, is moisturizing and good for all

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skin conditions. She has six employees in her soap studio, two ducks, 62 chickens, and eight goats. In addition to the products mentioned earlier, she sells delicious Amish donuts Thursdays through Saturdays.

Amy is married to her very first boyfriend, Stephen. They went their separate ways at age 15, but after Amy's divorce, they reunited and married in 2017. Amy's son Jared swims for Tampa and just received 6th place in the nation for the breaststroke! Her daughter Caitlyn graduated from The Ohio State University and also lives in Florida.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN FOUNDATION BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS

will meet on Wednesday, April 17th at 1:00 p.m., immediately following our club meeting at Trumbull Country Club.

THE 2024 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION will be held 5/25/24 through 5/29/24 in Singapore, "the Garden City". You can attend inspiring breakout sessions, exchange ideas about service projects, and make meaningful connections with global individuals. Register today @ convention.rotary.org. This year's theme is "Sharing Hope with the World".

THE ANNUAL ROTARY DISTRICT 6650 CONFERENCE will kick off with an evening social event at Royal Docks Brewing in Oakwood Square from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 14th. The conference will be held on June 15th at Kent Stark Conference Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Attendees will be able to meet new people, hear new ideas, and have some fun! Registration will be open from now until midnight on May 31st. Early registration is \$25 through midnight on May 24th and will increase to \$40 from May 24th to May 31st. Sign up today at: tinyurl.com/Rotary6650Conference

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN'S PRESIDENTS' NIGHT will be held on Wednesday, June 19th at Trumbull Country Club beginning at 6:30 p.m. There will be no noon club meeting that day.

SLICE OF THE VALLEY VOLUNTEERS are asked to please tune in your vests and handset radios to Ken LaPolla. The addition of wings at this year's event was a hit. Final numbers from the evening will be forthcoming. Until then, you can enjoy a pictorial recap of SOV on the next page!

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SLICE OF THE VALLEY PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS

PIZZA: 1st Place - Cocca's Pizza; 2nd - Gionino's; 3rd - Amen Corner



BEER: 1st Place - Modern Methods;
2nd - Birdfish; 3rd - Ohio Brewer's Comp.



Wings: 1st Place - The Underground Lounge; 2nd - Maddens;
3rd - The Rig Pub & Eatery

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BEST PLAIN PIZZA: 1st - Jimmy Neno's ; 2nd - St. A's Bistro;
3rd - St. Anthony's



BEST SPECIALTY PIZZA:
1st Place - Cocca's Pizza; 2nd - Pizza Joe's;
3rd - Gionino's



A WAGON RAFFLE

... AND LOTS OF FUN!!



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ROTARIANS AT WORK

The morning of Saturday, April 13th, Warren Rotarians once again set some time aside to help those in need in the Warren community. With paint brushes in hand, they put service above self in order to spruce up the dining hall at Washington Square, a healthcare facility for Veterans.

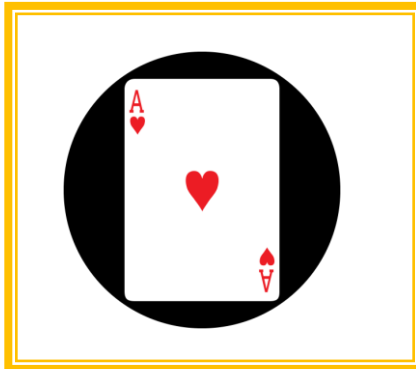


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TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$325.
Congratulations to Daily Winner & Visiting Rotarian Pam Gorvet!



- *** **Patti Augustine** congratulated our speaker for an amazing job. She also offered a Happy Buck for our recent solar eclipse, although her swan kept attacking people!
- *** **Ted Stazak** thought Amy Phillips gave an awesome presentation, and he loves her entrepreneurial spirit.
- *** **Bob Hoy** was pleased with the SOV 50 - 50 Raffle. He and his team collected more than \$1900. Congratulations to Paul Pal who won \$880!
- *** **Cindy Matheson** offered a Happy Buck for SOV. She said Mike Wilson did a great job as MC, as did DJ Tom Angelo. This weekend, Speed Limit is playing at the Moose Lodge and Mama's looking forward to a good time! Cindy also said the eclipse blew her mind!
- *** **Janet Schweitzer** commented that Rotary is meant to encourage entrepreneurs, and our speaker did not disappoint!
- *** **Ken LaPolla** offered Happy Bucks in honor of the SOV Committee, Amy's great story, and his daughter's recent defense of her dissertation. She passed!!