

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

A publication of the Rotary Club of Warren

April 20, 2022

ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS

April, 2022 - Denise May  
May, 2022 - Marilyn Pape

REGISTRATION

April, 2022 - Teri Surin  
May, 2022 - Patti Augustine

INVOCATION

April 27, 2022 - Denise May  
May, 2022 - Lisa Taddei

FELLOWSHIP

April 27, 2022 - Ray Sinchak  
May 4, 2022 - Ryan Fraelich

MAGAZINE REPORT

April, 2022 - Denise May  
May, 2022 - Diane Sauer

SPEAKERS

4/27/22 - Jody Klase, CEO of Easter Seals  
5/4/22 - To Be Announced

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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Continuing along the theme of Spring, Diane Sauer opened Fellowship with a reflection about the familiar saying, "April showers bring May flowers". The saying itself actually originates from the United Kingdom, where April for them is one of the more soggy months based on the position of the jet stream. Since this area typically has a cooler climate, the lower temperatures often push back the appearance of

flowers to late April and early May. The phrase is also believed to come from an early poem with a line that goes, "Sweet April showers, do spring May flowers."

So does the phrase actually ring true? Most of the time the answer is yes! The main reason being that flowers in general need plenty of sunshine and water to grow, so April showers are welcome and very much needed to kick start the blooming process after a long, cold and snowy winter.

Diane next shared a poem having to do with the rhythm of language:

"Why English is Hard to Learn"

We'll begin with *box*; the plural is *boxes*,  
But the plural of *ox* is *oxen*, not *oxes*.  
One fowl is a *goose*, and two are called *geese*,  
Yet the plural of *moose* is never called *meese*.

You may find a lone *mouse* or a house full of *mice*;  
But the plural of *house* is *houses*, not *hice*.  
The plural of *man* is always *men*,  
But the plural of *pan* is never *pen*.

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*Judy Masaki*

If I speak of a *foot*, and you show me two *feet*,  
And I give you a *book*, would a pair be a *beek*?  
If one is a *tooth* and a whole set are *teeth*,  
Why shouldn't two *booths* be called *beeth*?

If the singular's *this* and the plural is *these*,  
Should the plural of *kiss* be ever called *keese*?

We speak of a *brother* and also of *brethren*,  
But though we say *mother*, we never say *methren*.  
Then the masculine pronouns are *he*, *his*, and *him*;  
But imagine the feminine . . . *she*, *shis*, and *shim*!

- Anonymous

And finally, Diane reported that John Gibson added to her reading list from last week - *How to Know When You Need Pampers* by Justin Case.

Joining us for Fellowship this week were: Julia Wetstein's guest, her husband Mark; and Visiting Rotarian Steve DeBolt, who returned from a trip to Florida.



**THE NEXT ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** has been changed to Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom.

**SERVICE PROJECT:** Plans are being made for club members to participate in planting a Butterfly Garden at the Animal Welfare League during late May or early June on a Saturday. Dates will be

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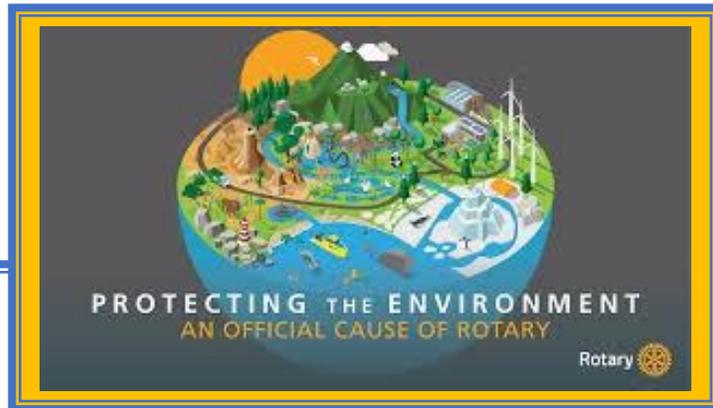
**THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION** will be an in-person event June 4<sup>th</sup> through June 8<sup>th</sup> in Houston, Texas. All participants must be either fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or provide a negative result from a COVID-19 test taken no more than 72 hours prior to arrival at the convention.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** There will be no weekly club meeting on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**PRESIDENTS' NIGHT** will be held on Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at the Eastwood Event Centre. Stay tuned for more details.

**THE 2022 DISTRICT 6650 CONFERENCE** will be held on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Walsh University's Barrette Conference Center (2020 East Maple St., North Canton, OH 44721). Cost is \$50 per person. You may pay by credit card or mail your check to: Rotary International District 6650

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A recent edition of *The Business Journal* carried a telling article about the devastating effects of inconsistent weather patterns on agricultural businesses. In "Ohio Climate Gets Hotter, Wetter", we learn that the hurricane and tropical storm seasons that sweep in from the south and east are becoming more intense. As they move inland, they dump massive amounts of water in a short period of time and create humidity and mildew. These changing climate conditions often coincide with harvest times, affecting everything from maple syrup, vineyards, coffee production, dairy farmers, and even Fortune 500 companies doing business in Ohio. Likewise, damages caused by intense heat and wildfires in western states have negatively impacted

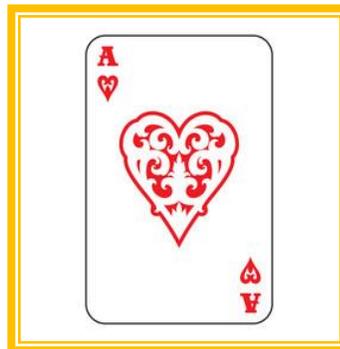
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businesses in Ohio and other eastern states.

Unstable climates marked by warm, wet conditions invite disease and infestation, thus damaging the quality of crops and making it difficult to manage heat stress among livestock. All of this impacts production, reproduction and the cost of doing business. 30 years ago, farmers might have experienced one bad year every ten years. Now, farmers have three bad years out of five, decreasing production by 20% to 40%. And major recurring disasters have caused insurance premiums to skyrocket. In 2021, worldwide disasters equated to losses of \$280 billion. More than half of these losses occurred in the United States. Many Ohio-based companies are including clauses in regulatory filings warning of supply chain disruptions caused by climate-related natural disasters.

In the Mahoning Valley, initiatives such as the manufacture of electric vehicle battery cells will help with the transition to a zero-carbon footprint and a more sustainable economy. In addition, other sustainability efforts of the Valley that are cited in the newspaper include installation of solar-powered stations and recycling of electronic waste to reduce the likelihood of it ending up in landfills. Researchers encourage communities and businesses to continue to do things that are better for the environment and to further address climate change through planning and policies that reduce emissions of greenhouse gases.

TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$147.  
Congratulations to Daily Winner, Dallas Woodall!

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PROGRAM:

AKRON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Luann Maynard is the Director of Development for Akron Children's Hospital (ACH) Mahoning Valley. A graduate of Kent State University, Maynard started her fundraising career nine years ago at the MetroHealth Foundation in Cleveland. Before that position, she spent more than 25 years in pharmaceutical sales and training. LuAnn leads the fundraising efforts of the Beeghly campus and surrounding ACH Mahoning Valley facilities. The Mahoning Valley fundraising team has raised over \$38 million to support programs and services for area children and families since 2008.



Paul N. Oliver, FACHE is a healthcare executive with over 30 years of experience, having served in health systems across the country. He is Vice-President of Mahoning Valley Enterprises for Akron Children's Hospital. He oversees Akron's presence in the Valley, which includes the Beeghly campus in Boardman and multiple physician offices and satellite locations. Prior to joining Akron Children's Hospital, Paul spent a number of years with the Bon Secours Mercy Health system in a variety of leadership roles. Paul also served in management roles at University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and the St. Joseph Health System in Northern California. Originally from New England, Paul holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Providence College and a Masters in Health Services Administration from the George Washington University. He is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives, serves on several community boards, such as the Youngstown Business Incubator, and is a

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commissioner for Mill Creek Metro Parks.

According to Oliver, Akron Children's Hospital's spirit and culture are focused on kids and quality. Founded in 1890 and independently owned, the hospital is the largest pediatric healthcare system in northern Ohio and is ranked among the best children's hospitals by U.S. News and World Report. They have two hospital campuses, in Akron and Boardman, and over 50 primary care and specialty sites. They have also partnered with other health systems to bring their neonatal and pediatric expertise to communities. For example, in Trumbull County, they established a special care nursery at St. Joseph's Hospital in 2015, where they served 302 babies in 2021.

ACH's School Health Services were launched in 2019 and have grown exponentially. Today, they partner with 41 school districts (including Warren City Schools) in a 10 county region to increase students' access to care and improve health equity. School services include: first aide, blood glucose checks, blood pressure checks, medication administration, catheterization, colostomy care, carbohydrate/insulin calculations, and sports medicine and training. Primary healthcare is provided both in person and via telemedicine. They also provide educational programs within classrooms on handwashing, CPR, puberty, and drug-free lifestyles.

ACH's latest initiative involves expansion of their Mahoning Valley Emergency Department, a full replacement project at the Beeghly campus. In 2021, they served over 5,300 cases from Trumbull County alone in the ER. ACH has the only Emergency Department in the area that is always staffed with a doctor, with access to specialists, and with less than a 30 minute wait time from door to doctor. Only about 6% to 8% of cases are admitted.

Approximately 114 children are seen in ACH's Emergency Department on a daily basis, and their current ER is simply too small. The expansion will include 23 rooms with the ability to flex up to 29, including private consultation rooms and behavioral health rooms. 90% of the firms working on the project are from the Valley, including Baker Bednar Snyder & Associates, Inc. Construction is expected to be completed by Spring, 2023.

Having a pediatric hospital in the area is a big selling point for businesses coming to the Valley. As Akron Children's Hospital Mahoning Valley continues to grow, they will look towards providing additional services in Trumbull County.



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HAPPY BUCKS



\*\*\* **Cindy Matheson** reported that her son had excellent care at ACH when he was young. She is accepting donations for give-aways at her Bluegrass Festival. She is grateful to Lamar Signs for donating two billboards.

\*\*\* **Dallas Woodall's** grandson and wife bought a house!

\*\*\* **Andy Bednar** offered a Happy Buck for our speakers. He worked as part of a team with another firm on Akron's ER project and said the process was very unique. The planning process involved professionals and caregivers. ACH has been a client of his firm for over 15 years.

\*\*\* **Julia Wike's** son had severe cleft palate issues, and ACH provided "life-saving care".

\*\*\* **Tony Iannucci** is happy that water is squirting out of the Courthouse Square Fountain! He offered \$4 for the four years it took to get the project done.

\*\*\* **Steve DeBolt** recently attended a Rotary meeting at The Villages in Florida.

\*\*\* **Judy Masaki** was once part of a shadowing experience in ACH's ER and found it to be a wonderful, educational opportunity.

\*\*\* **Christine Cope** was happy to make it through the meeting. She looks forward to having a meeting downtown towards the end of this Rotary Year and touring the Fountain. Her cousin's husband, who had recurring cancer, got a very good prognosis post-surgery.

\*\*\* **Mike Bollas** is happy to be on vacation in the Outer Banks, eating shrimp and lobster!

**"The welfare and future of our societies depend on our capacity to remain mobilized so as to improve the health of every mother and child."**

- Author, Jean Ping