

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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ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS

January, 2024 - Patti Augustine

February, 2024 - T e r r a O ' B r i e n

REGISTRATION

January, 2024 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak

February, 2024 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak

INVOCATION

January, 2024 - Denise May

February, 2024 - Joni Gawne

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

January, 2024 - Ray Sinchak (Fellowship) & Joni Gawne (Mag. Report)

February, 2024 - Ted Stazak

CAREER AWARENESS (4th Wed. of the Month)

January, 2024 - Alicia Adams - Angelo

February, 2024 - To Be Announced

SPEAKERS

1/24/24 - Inspiring Minds

1/31/24 - Club Forum at Trumbull Country Club

2/7/24 - Scott Ryan, Ohio Dept. of Development

2/14/24 - Mike Wilson, President McKinley

2/21/24 - Rob Berk, Bill Beinecke & Ken LaPolla, Slice of the Valley

2/28/24 - Sheriff Paul Monroe, Trumbull County Sheriff's Dept.

3/6/24 - Social Event/No Meeting at Trumbull Country Club

3/13/24 - Nat Mazur, All About the Paws

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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*President Elect
Cindy Matheson*

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Cheryl Oblinger*

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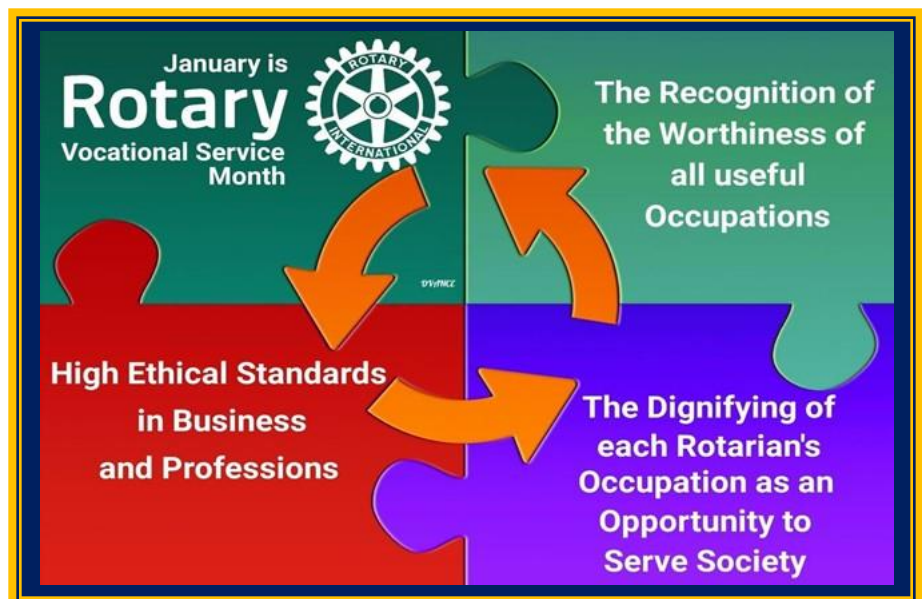
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Ted Stazak*

Board Members

*Bill Beinecke
Lauren Kramer
Marilyn Pape
John Perdue
Lorilyn Shandor
Julia Wetstein*

invocation

*Teach us to love all men and women as our
brothers and sisters,
and to care as much about their welfare as we care
about our own .
And grant that we shall always have heroes,
such as Mar tin Luther king,
whom we admire for their moral clarity, their
unremitting courage, and their passion for
righteousness,
that Your name and Your way may be honored i n
all the world.*



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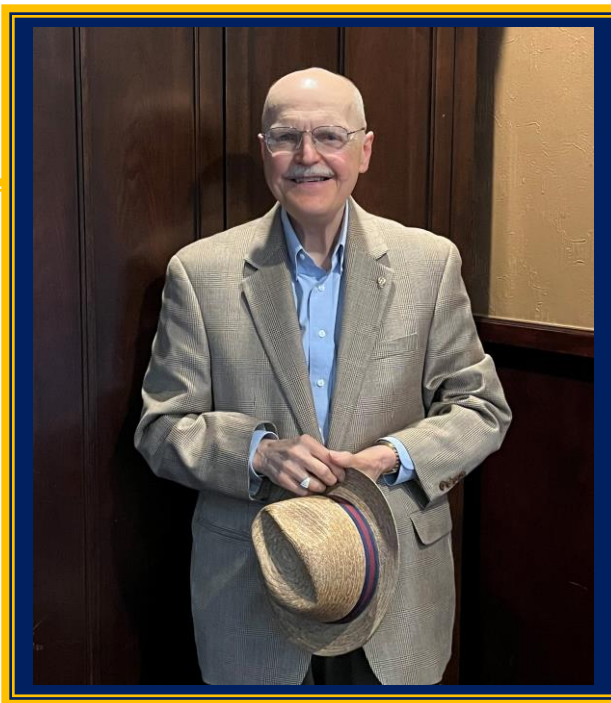
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Warrenrotary.org

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

contact:

Judy Masaki



Ray Sinchak was back with a story about another great American actor and filmmaker, Kirk Douglas. He was a leading box-office star in many movies, but one of his favorite roles was playing Vincent Van Gogh in *Lust for Life*. However, while Douglas researched and read up on Van Gogh, he had a hard time assuming the role of the tormented artist.

One day, while in France, the director of the film took Douglas to a café in town. They ordered a meal and some wine, and he noticed an elderly lady a few tables away who kept staring at him. He learned that the woman had worked at the café when Van Gogh was alive.

Douglas approached the woman and spoke with her in perfect French. They talked for four hours about Van Gogh's life. As a result of their conversation, Kirk Douglas credited the lady with his success in playing Van Gogh.

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MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT: Invite a friend or colleague to Rotary! Any current member who brings a new member into the club will receive a Rotary license plate frame for their car!

WE HAVE A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!! Be sure to share and <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090246039722&mibextid=LQQJ4d> If you can't make it to our meetings at join us via Facebook Live!

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN WILL NOW BE OFFERING MEMBERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS! An information sheet and application can be found on the home page of our website: www.warrenrotary.org.

END OF THE YEAR AWARDS: With Rotary Year 2023 - 24 half over, the Board of Directors is beginning to plan ahead for end of the year awards. If you have suggestions of candidates for the Lester R. Stauffer Community Award, please forward the individual narrative about why you are nominating him/her to President Ken LaPolla or Secretary Judy Masaki. This award is named for long-time Warren Rotarian and Past District Governor Lester R. Stauffer. The award recognizes a non-Rotarian for his or her outstanding volunteer service (not vocational success or prominence) rendered to our community.

DICTIONARY PROJECT: Dictionaries will be delivered to Summit Academy, STEAM Academy and Kennedy in January 29th. Contact Tony Iannucci if you would like to assist. A distribution date for Warren City Schools is forthcoming.

CAREER AWARENESS DAY will be held in the library at Harding High School on Friday, February 2nd from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. If you would like to participate by sharing information about your field of work with the students, please contact Tony Iannucci.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINEE: Kimberly Weiss, a 22 year member of Rotary, has been named as the DG Nominee for Rotary Year 2025 – 2026. Kim is currently serving as President of the Minerva Rotary Club.

"TIPS FOR A CAUSE " SERVICE PROJECT : On Tuesday, January 23rd, starting at 5:00 p.m., The Trumbull County Historical Society (TCHS) will be serving drinks at the Darlene Lounge. A portion of all sales and 100% of the tips will be donated to TCHS. The Society collects, preserves and interprets the history of Warren and Trumbull County to educate communities about , history and events . The Society is kicking off their membership drive as well. The Rotary Club of Warren will be supporting this event as a service project this month!! Go out and enjoy a few brews and earn an attendance make-up for participating.

JOIN US FOR A CLUB FORUM at Trumbull Country Club on Wednesday, January 31st at Noon. We 'll be reviewing the first half of Rotary Year 2023– 2024 and planning ahead.

THE 2024 RYLA CONFERENCE will be held February 9th through February 11th at the Waypoint Marriott at Westford Place in Canfield, Ohio.

THE NORTH CANTON ROTARY CHILI OPEN will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Arrowhead Golf Club (1500 Rogwin Circle, North Canton). Tickets are \$15. For more information, visit: www.rotarychiliopen.com

SAVE THE DATE : Join the Sugarcreek Rotary Club for their Annual Pancake Meal Fundraiser and Health Screening on March 22, 2024 at Garaway Belden Community Center (221 Dover Road, NW, Sugarcreek, OH). More details will be available soon.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS : Our 2024 Slice of the Valley Pizza Challenge will be here before you know it! Due to unforeseen circumstances, the date has been changed to April 7th. We'll need as many Rotarians as possible to volunteer at the event in order to make it a success. Stay tuned for more details!!

THE 2024 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION will be held 5/25/24 through 5/29/24 in Singapore , " the Gateway to the East " . It will be an opportunity to 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 " .

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PROGRAM:

SCOPE SENIOR SERVICES



Warren Rotarian Mike Wilson has served as Director of SCOPE Senior Services for the past 9 years. He and his staff graciously hosted our January 17th luncheon meeting at their Warren center and spoke with us about the services they offer to senior citizens in our community.

Jen, Patty and Sandy, three prospective Rotarians and Board Members of SCOPE's Senior Showcase,

were guests at this week's meeting. Exactly one year ago, they began the process of planning the great show held at Robin's Theatre earlier this month. Full of amazing entertainment and talent, the Senior Showcase will be an annual event!

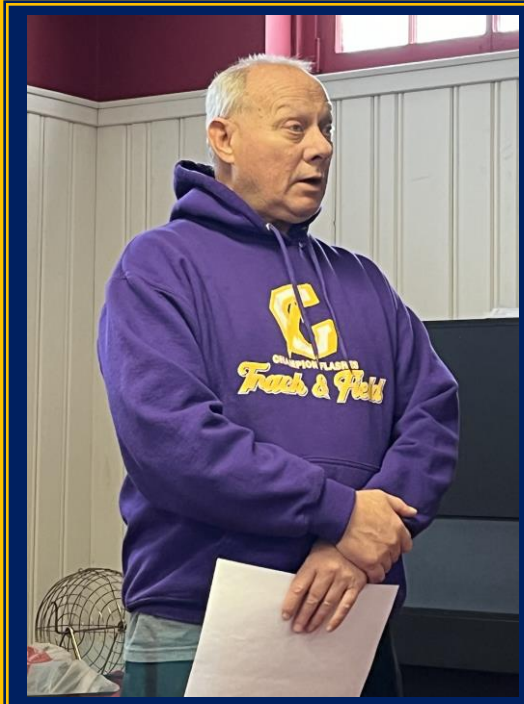
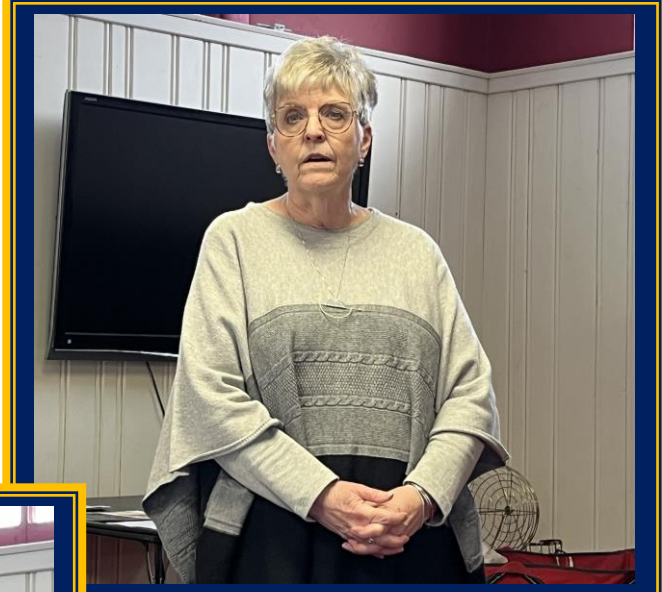
SCOPE staff are partnering with Sharon Grover of Ridgeview Country Tours, LLC, to offer 16 senior-friendly one day trips this year. Participants will be able to experience "historic towns, rolling country sides, shopping, food and exciting cities", according to SCOPE's Senior Citizens Trips and Tours Brochure for 2024.

In addition to offering social outings and activities, SCOPE sponsors many educational and support services to the elderly in the community. For example, they publish a list of certified senior-friendly contractors, insurance agents, home healthcare agencies, and more as a way to help prevent individuals from getting scammed and taken advantage of. They offer a "Grands Program" for grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. The support group, which meets the first and third

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Thursday of every month at North Mar Church from 6 to 8 p.m., provides educational information about financial and legal issues and more. Adults are also given the opportunity to mentor five to nine year olds via the Big Brothers, Big Sisters program.

Marge Haley, Manager of SCOPE's N. Park Avenue site, provides seniors and individuals on Social Security Disability with Medicare and financial assistance. She helps them secure lower utility rates and prescription assistance, provides financial counseling to widows, and assists with wills and power of attorney forms.



IT Director, Kevin Weber, provides technology, cell phone, and laptop support and training to those in need. This includes education on how to use and repair devices, prevent identity theft, and avoid scams, malware, and computer hacking. Kevin's services support anyone in Trumbull County who is 60 years of age or older. He indicated that this is so important because it is common for family members of these individuals to not always be available. Since everyone learns in a different way, Kevin breaks down

information, step-by-step. He can also assist individuals in creating cover letters and resumes, and applying for jobs online. Finally, Kevin is able to assist individuals with hearing impairments in accessing apps so they can hear and speak to devices and sync their hearing aides to their phones.

Individuals can call Warren SCOPE at (330) 399-8846 to schedule an appointment with Kevin.

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SCOPE Senior Services partners with the AARP Foundation to offer free tax preparation and assistance. 40 trained volunteers in Trumbull County are led by local coordinator, Bob Kovach. These services are available five days per week during tax season and one day per week for the remainder of the year for



low to moderately low income individuals and seniors. Bob indicated that their goal is to maximize refunds and take the fear out of taxes.

In addition to these staff members, SCOPE Senior Services has a Veterans Advocate who assists Veterans with relocating, returning to the workforce, etc.

Looking ahead, Mike Wilson reported that American Sign Language classes will be resuming every Monday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., beginning on February 8th.

Following this educational program, Warren Rotarians and guests were able to tour the Riverside Railroad Club's indoor layout which is currently located at the SCOPE Center. The club was established in 2002. They operate G gauge trains which vary in scale, and their current layout has three independent loops which are capable of running several trains at a time. Membership is open to all train enthusiasts, and club dues are \$36 a year.



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