

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 - Terra O'Brien

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

1/31/24 - 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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Ken LaPolla*

*President Elect
Cindy Matheson*

*Vice-President
Tony Iannucci*

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Judy Masaki*

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Cheryl Oblinger*

*Assistant
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Lauren Kramer
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Lorilyn Shandor
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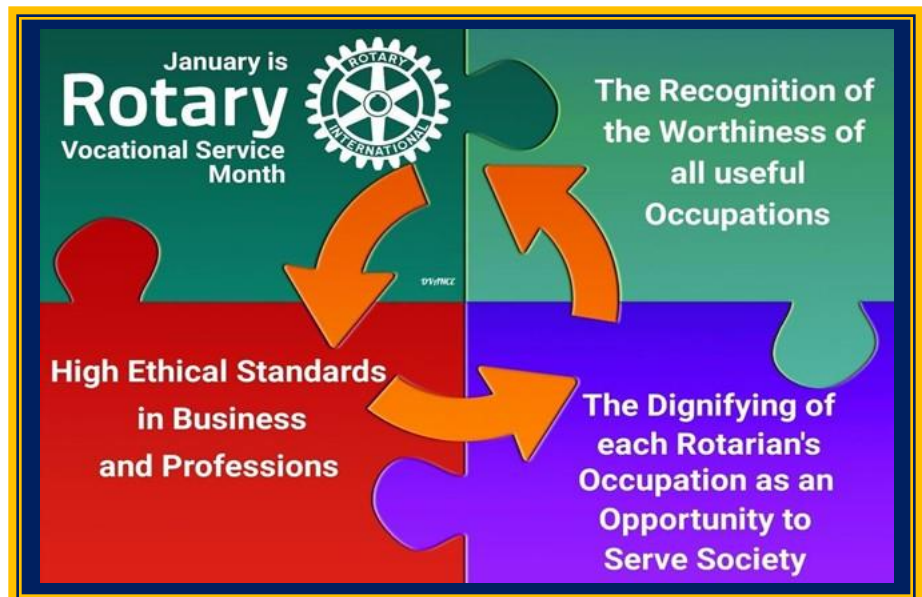
Let us Pray:

*Almighty God, at this time of year we pray
especially for the core Rotary effort of peace and
the resolution of conflicts throughout the world.*

*We hold great hope for the future of our great
country and, in unison, we wish to join with others
to promote Your principles in the joy of charity for
all.*

*We pray that all here continue to put "service above
self" and guide our efforts with enthusiasm for
Rotary and our fellow citizens throughout the
world.*

Amen.



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suggestions
about our
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you would like
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Judy Masaki



AWARENESS



Warren Rotarian Alicia "Lish" Adams Angelo describes herself as a "true entrepreneur". She is a graduate of The Ohio State University, where she earned a degree in Chemical Engineering, learned problem solving and studied Mad Cow Disease.

In 2015, Lish and her husband, Tom, moved to Howland Corners, Ohio. She became CEO of Municipal Treatment Solutions, LLC, a chemical sales and environmental consulting services firm specializing in wastewater retention and treatment. She also served as a landlord in Columbus and Warren. Then in 2016, she suffered an epileptic seizure and had to "reboot" her life.

No longer able to continue with her engineering work, her husband suggested that she look into the real estate field. Lish attended Hondros College of Business and obtained her commercial

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real estate license, and she has found that she really loves her work. In her search for properties, she works with zoning and policy makers, utility companies, banks and title companies, and more community leaders and municipalities. Formerly employed at Howard Hanna Real Estate Services and Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, Lish is currently a Commercial Real Estate Professional at Platz Realty Group.

In addition, Lish and her husband own and operate The Music Machine, LLC featuring premier disc jockey entertainment, MC services, music videos and lighting for special events, such as weddings, graduations, school dances, corporate events and private parties. They are also co-owners of Mirror Me Ohio, offering photo booth fun with digital props.

Judging from her involvement in all of these small business endeavors, Lish obviously enjoys a challenge, and she is ready to tackle whatever life throws her way!

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN

Julia Wetstein led Warren Rotarians in singing our Fellowship song this week, with a the added bonus of a fun soft shoe performance! Thanks for the memories, Julia!



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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 "like" us at: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090246039722&mibextid=LQQJ4d>

If you can't make it to our meetings at Trumbull Country Club in person, 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's name and a short 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 has been put on hold due to logistical concerns at Harding High School. If you would like to participate by sharing information about your field of work with the students, please contact Tony Iannucci. Those wishing to participate will be informed when the event is rescheduled.

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"TIPS FOR A CAUSE" SERVICE PROJECT: On Tuesday, January 23rd, The Trumbull County Historical Society (TCHS) served drinks at the Darlene Lounge. A portion of all sales and 100% of the tips were donated to TCHS. The Society collects, preserves and interprets the history of Warren and Trumbull County to educate communities about the area's people, history and events. They kicked off their membership drive as well. About a half dozen members of the Rotary Club of Warren supported this event as a service project this month!! All in attendance said it was great fun - best service project ever!!



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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 we need your help in developing ideas and setting up plans for next year!

THE 2024 RYLA CONFERENCE will be held February 9th through February 11th at the Waypoint Marriott at Westford Place in Canfield, Ohio. Our club is sponsoring three students.

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 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".

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PONDERING VOLUNTEERISM

(Shared by Ken LaPolla)

Many times the corporate world does not understand the non-profit volunteer-dependent world.

Volunteers serve because they are welcomed, believe in the cause, and enjoy being around and serving with others.

A valuable saying, "Professions get paid for working. Volunteers work for free. Scouting volunteers get paid to work for free." According to *Volunteering in America*, the number of volunteers has been steadily declining since the recession in 2008 and COVID from 30% to 20% of the population. Women volunteer by a ratio of 3 to 2 over men.

The generational group that gives more time is Generation X (1965 - 81) at 29.2%, followed by Baby Boomers (1946 - 64) at 28.8%, then Teenagers/College at 26.1%, then Seniors (75+) at 23.6%, and lastly Millennials (1982 - 2000) at 21.1%.

The main reasons volunteers quit within a year are: not told what to do, not trained to do what to do, not thanked for doing, and not feeling welcomed, and not having fun.

The best way to acquire volunteers has not changed; one person with a passion shares that passion and asks another to join an organization that makes a difference and where people within the organization are known, liked, and trusted.

The moral of the story: just ask! Ask people to join Rotary!!

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PROGRAM:

BETSY EVERMAN & CARL DIGGS, TRUMBULL COUNTY YOUTH ORGANIZATION & INSPIRING MINDS



The Trumbull County Youth Organization is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization based in Warren, Ohio and started by Elizabeth Everman and Grover Diggs in 2022. Their vision was to engage positively with youth in Trumbull County, with a strong emphasis on fostering athletic development, teamwork and personal growth. Their Board Members, staff and volunteers provide opportunities for children to participate in enrichment programs and civic events.

Their first program, the Trumbull County Panthers, is a premier youth athletics team offering football, cheerleading, mini majorette, and dance line opportunities to children ages 6 to 11 years old. The program includes coaching, social interactions and extracurricular enrichment. The football component of the program focuses on teaching fundamental skills,

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strategy, and game knowledge, helping each player reach their full potential, regardless of their skill level or experience. The cheerleaders, mini majorettes, and dance line participants are able to develop coordination, teamwork, and performance skills, in addition to gaining self-confidence, self-expression, and creativity.

In 2023, the Trumbull County Youth Organization acquired Interfaith Park, and they revitalized the space in order for the community and the youth in their program to thrive.

Civic engagement events, which kept the children bonded and involved year round, included: an Easter Egg Hunt at Perkins Park; the African American Achievers Festival and Parade; Warren Grown Plant and Sip; the Stop the Violence Rally, where the children signed a pledge to be ambassadors of peace in the community; a rock painting activity sponsored by Pride and Joy Today, LLC; Grace AME Youth Day, where the cheerleaders performed; and the Love Your Community Football Camp at Howland High School.

The Trumbull County Youth Organization generates revenue for their programs via fundraisers, grants, sponsorships, registration fees, and more. They were also recipients of ARP funding.

Plans for 2024 include: fundraisers to enhance their programs; initiation of a study tables program; provision of transportation; a coaching clinic; creation of office space; and continued renovation of Interfaith Park.

Inspiring Minds, another non-profit in our community which was started by Deryck Toles 16 years ago, hosts free after-school and summer enrichment programs for Valley kids, including personalized tutoring, personal development workshops, college and career readiness activities, and fun academic, sports, and health and wellness events. Their goal is to create opportunities for young talent to stay in this community. They have a 100% graduation rate, and often times, their former participants come back to volunteer in the program.

Inspiring Minds assists the Trumbull County Youth Organization with equipment and storage space, and they host the Youth Organization's end of the year banquet. Carl Diggs, former NFL player and Program Director of Inspiring Minds, is President of the Trumbull County Youth Organization's Board.

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TRIPLE JACKPOT

This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$170.
Congratulations to Daily Winner Robin Martorana!

HAPPY BUCKS



*** Robin Martorana was a happy winner and is happy to be a Rotarian!

*** Don Powers was happy to see our speakers, Carl and Betsy.

*** Cindy Matheson offered Happy Bucks for our speakers, for the fun time at the Darlene Lounge, and for her upcoming trip to Nashville!

*** Ben Kulper was happy that he wasn't freezing his doopa off!

*** Ken LaPolla also enjoyed the service project at the Darlene Lounge. He enjoyed this week's speakers. And he is grateful for Howland Alarm; they fixed his broken alarm keypad!