

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

JULY 20, 2022

ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS

July, 2022 - Kim Straniak
August, 2022 - Chris Shape

REGISTRATION

July, 2022 - Ray Sinchak
August, 2022 - Ray Sinchak

INVOCATION

July, 2022 - Patti Augustine
August, 2022 - Diane Sauer

FELLOWSHIP

July, 2022 - Ken LaPolla
August, 2022 - John Campolito

MAGAZINE REPORT

August, 2022 - Denise May
September, 2022 - Diane Sauer

SPEAKERS

7/27/22 - Seva Tripolis, Warren Farmer's Market

Areas of Focus

Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution

Disease Prevention & Treatment

Water & Sanitation

Maternal & Child Health

Basic Education & Literacy

Economic & Community Development

The Environment

Club Officers

*President
Ted Stazak*

*President Elect
Ken LaPolla*

*Vice-President
Cindy Matheson*

*Secretary
Judy Masaki*

*Treasurer
Cheryl Oblinger*

*Assistant Treasurer
Mike Bollas*

*Past President
Christine Cope*

Board Members

*Bill Beinecke
Tony Iannucci
Lauren Kramer
Marilyn Pape
Lisa Taddei
Julia Wetstein*



Ken LaPolla entertained Rotarians and guests at this week's club meeting with the following joke:

Three pieces of rope walk into a bar, and the first one asks for three drinks. The bartender says, "We don't serve ropes. You'll have to leave."

The second rope goes up to the bar and asks for two drinks, and the bartender again says, "We don't serve ropes. You'll have to leave."

The third rope ties himself in a not, undoes his top braid a bit and ruffles it up. Standing up tall at the bar, he asks for a drink for himself and his buddies. The bartender asks, "Say, aren't you a rope?"

He replies, "I'm a frayed knot."

Joining the Rotary Club of Warren this week for Fellowship were: District Governor Michelle Charles; Cindy Matheson's friend of 30 years, Wendy; and proposed members, Terra O'Brien and Ellwood "Woody" Jones.



**Rotary Club
Foundation
Board**

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*Andy Bednar
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Warrenrotary.org

If you have any suggestions about our newsletter, or if you would like to become a sponsor, please contact:

Judy Masaki

MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

The following individuals have applied for membership in The Rotary Club of Warren:

**ELLWOOD O. JONES III
(Proposed by Rob Berk)
716 Olive Olive Ave., NE
Warren, OH 44483
Postmaster in Warren, OH**

**TERRA O'BRIEN
(Proposed by Julia Wetstein)
587 Belvedere SE
Warren, OH 44483
Young Professionals Network and Youngstown/Columbiana
Association of Realtors**

**LORILYN SHANDOR
(Proposed by Christine Cope)
329 Forest Ave.
North Lima, OH 44452
CEO of
Animal Welfare League of Trumbull County
Former Youngstown Rotarian (2012 - 2013)**

**TRACI L. TIMKO
(Proposed by Patti Augustine)
633 Perkinswood Blvd., NE
Warren, OH 44483
Assistant Law Director/Prosecutor for the City of Warren
Former Warren Rotarian (approximately 2006)**

Any concerns regarding the induction of these individuals into the Rotary Club of Warren should be put in writing to President Ted Stazak no later than Monday, August 1, 2022.

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN FOUNDATION BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, July 27th at Café 422 immediately following our weekly club meeting.

SAVE THE DATE: Join fellow club members for a Scrapper's game at Eastwood Field on Thursday, August 4th. Seating is limited to 35 people, so sign up at our next meeting if you'd like to attend.

JOIN US ON AUGUST 17th when we tour the Packard Museum. There is a \$10 admission fee, and lunch is available for \$12. A maximum of 30 people are permitted in the museum. Sign up at our next meeting if you haven't yet reserved your spot.

IT'S A NEW ROTARY YEAR and a great time to work towards perfect attendance! Things come up from time to time which might prevent us from attending club meetings in person or via Zoom. However, it's easy to earn a make-up. Visiting another Rotary Club is a great way to earn a make-up and meet and share ideas with others in the community. Here is a list of local clubs and their meeting times, which are different from ours:

- * Champion - Tuesdays at Noon, Wayside Restaurant (825 State Rd., NW in Warren, OH)
- * Cortland - Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m., Lake Vista Clubhouse (303 North Mecca ST. in Cortland, OH)
- * Girard/Liberty - Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m., Amen Corner (20 W. Main in Girard, OH)
- * Howland - Mondays at Noon, Howland Bean (8024 E. Market St, in Howland, OH)
- * Hubbard - Mondays at Noon, Elmwood Assisted Living (871 Elmwood Dr. in Hubbard, OH)
- * Youngstown - Wednesdays at Noon, Wick Park in Youngstown OH
- * Canfield - Fridays at 11:55 a.m., Rotary Community Bldg at Fair Park (318 Oak St. in Canfield, OH)

You can also earn make-ups via Rotary eClub One. Simply visit their

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website and spend 30 minutes reviewing content you find on their "Programs and Make-Up Programs" page. Then make sure to request a Make-Up Confirmation. Rotary eClub One is an internet based Rotary Club. If you make a donation to Rotary eClub One equal to the price of attending our own club's weekly meeting, the funds support service projects around the globe.

Finally, earn a make-up by attending one of our own club's committee meetings or working at a club event! Put "Service Above Self" into practice!

*** Please note: In order to earn a make-up, you must present documented confirmation from another Rotary club or from Rotary eClub One to Secretary, Judy Masaki. Committee Chairs should keep an attendance list for meetings and events and provide a copy to Judy so members can be credited for a make-up.

ROTARY YEAR 2022-2023: If you haven't yet received your packet of information outlining our club goals, committee assignments, etc. for this year, please see Ted Stazak.

BRING A FRIEND TO ROTARY: We would like to have at least 57 club members by the end of Rotary Year 2022 - 2023. Help us reach this goal by introducing others to The Rotary Club of Warren!

FUNNY FILLERS

There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator. Only a fraction of people will find this funny.

I have many hidden talents. Just wish I could remember where I hid them.

The school called today and said, "Your son is telling lies."
"Well," I replied, "He must be really good because I don't have any kids."

I visited a monastery and as I walked past the kitchen I saw a man frying chis. I asked him, "Are you the friar?"
He replied, "No, I'm the chip monk."

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PROGRAM:

DISTRICT GOVERNOR MICHELLE CHARLES



The Rotary Club of Warren was pleased to welcome Michelle Charles, District Governor of Rotary District 6650, to its July 20th meeting!

Michelle has been President & CEO of the Canton Symphony Orchestra since 2011. Previously serving in all capacities of the organization as chorus member and volunteer, board trustee and staff, she continues to be a driving force behind the increasing notoriety of the Canton Symphony. Under her leadership, the Canton Symphony has brought in guest artists including Grammy-Award winners Bela Fleck and Sylvia McNair, and has collaborated with numerous organizations including the McKinley Presidential Library & Museum, Canton Museum of Art, Massillon Museum of Art, Stark Parks, and the Dancing Wheels.

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Michelle joined the Rotary Club of Canton in October 2011 as a way to meet people in the community. She loved the fellowship of the group and quickly became involved. Michelle has served her club as Secretary, President Elect, and President in 2018-19. She has served as a Board Trustee and has chaired the Oktoberfest and Pack the Bus committees.

Michelle holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music History and Theory from Hiram College and an MBA in Leadership from Southern New Hampshire University. She is familiar with the Warren, Ohio area as she used to frequent the Eastwood Mall while enrolled in college. She received a Fundraising Certificate from Boston University (2020) and a Negotiations & Leadership Certificate from Harvard University (2021). She also serves on the board of The Friends of the Summit (91.3 FM) where she is Board Chair. She was a member of the 27th Class of Leadership Stark County, and is currently a member of Woman's Impact, Inc. In 2012, she was honored to be named one of the Twenty Under 40 and in 2018 was inducted to the YWCA of Stark County's Women's Hall of Fame.

Michelle and her husband JC (also a Rotarian) got married right before the pandemic which gave them what she calls "the world's longest honeymoon". Together they have six sons (three each) ranging in age from 14 to 25, and one crazy golden retriever named Bea. (Bea apparently acts more like a cat than a dog.) In her "spare" time, she and her husband enjoy hiking and traveling.

Michelle shared her passion for Rotary with all of us and indicated that she is thrilled to be serving under the first female Rotary International President. She was pleased to see so many female faces in attendance at our club meeting. She reported that about 31% of Rotarians in our zone are female, compared to 33% in District 6650, and 30% worldwide. Both she and RI President Jennifer Jones want to focus on empowering women. Rotary provides ordinary women the opportunity to do extraordinary things!

She said that the road to becoming District Governor is quite long, involving several years of training. She is now visiting two to three clubs in the district each week; we are visit #11.

Michelle indicated that Rotary International is 118 years old this year. She spoke about this year's theme, "Imagine Rotary", and discussed the meaning of the design elements of the logo for the theme. The logo was designed by Riki Salam, an Australian artist and graphic designer who specializes in contemporary indigenous art, design, and communications. There is a deep meaning behind each element of the logo's design. The circle in aboriginal culture signifies our connection to one another. The dots around the circle represent people, and there are seven because of Rotary's seven areas of focus -

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peace and conflict prevention/resolution; disease prevention and treatment; water and sanitation; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; economic and community development; and the environment. The circle and the dots together form a navigational star – our guiding light. The solid line underneath the star is referred to as a digging stick, and it is used when doing hard work. Since Rotary members are people of action, it represents a tool for getting things done.

The colors on the logo are green, purple, and white. Purple stands for polio eradication, green for the environment, and white for peace, Rotary's core mission. Together, they are the colors of the women's movement, the Suffragette – a subtle nod to this history since Jennifer Jones is the first female RI President.

In addition to empowering women and young girls, Michelle wants to focus on retaining new members in the district. She said comfort and care are the most important factors in membership retention. She encouraged everyone to: listen to and understand what new members need; engage them as soon as they join our club; work to have the club reflect our community and strive for diversity; and not be afraid to try something new.

Michelle wants clubs to strive for 100% giving to the RI Foundation. Over the past year, our club donated \$12,936 to the Foundation, an average of \$242 per person, which is far ahead of the district average, but we need to keep up the good work.

Michelle also wants clubs to keep up the fight against polio. This year's annual World Polio Day fundraiser, Pints for Polio, has set a goal of raising \$25,000, and she asked members to support the cause.

Finally, the District Governor is asking each club to contribute \$2,500 to aide Ukraine.

At the conclusion of her presentation, the Rotary Club of Warren presented the District Governor with a gift basket containing items representative of Warren, Ohio.

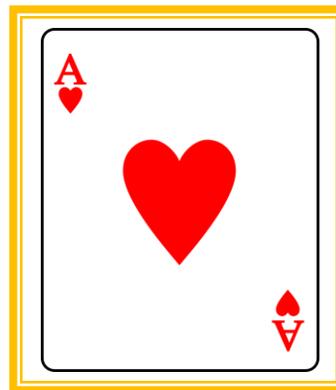


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In addition, this week, a set of Rotary District 6650 glasses were auctioned off. Dallas Woodall won the prize, along with a bottle of bourbon, for his bid of \$200. These funds will be donated to the Rotary Foundation in honor of DG Michelle Charles.

TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$35. Congratulations to Daily Winner Dallas Woodall!

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HAPPY BUCKS



*** **Ken LaPolla** spent last week at summer camp with his troops. His son will be visiting this weekend. And he enjoyed meeting the District Governor.

*** **Chris Shape** offered a Happy Buck for the District Governor. He's looking forward to Pints for Polio. He's happy that his son, Robby, is working for MedStar and getting paid. He recently enjoyed spending two weeks at the lake. And he recently spent some time with two Past-Presidents, Pete Biltz and Rick Peduzzi.

*** **Andy Bednar** offered a Happy Buck for DG Michelle Charles. She had mentioned Rotary Youth Exchange, and it reminded Andy that 43 years ago, his family hosted a student from Germany who is now a famous author.

*** **Julia Wetstein** is looking forward to a wonderful year with DG Michelle.

*** **Cindy Matheson** offered a Happy Buck for the DG and the gift basket she received. Her son's band, Speed Limit, had a great crowd at the Trumbull County Fair; they're also playing at Cortland Street Fair. She's happy to be visiting with her friend, Wendy. She also recently visited with her sister in Lake Cumberland, Kentucky.

*** **Dallas Woodall** said it's always a treat to have the DG visit our club. He was also happy to have won the Daily Jackpot and the auction.

*** **Diane Sauer** said that last Thursday, a customer at the dealership said she really liked Diane's hair!

*** **Ted Stazak** offered a Happy Buck for the DG. He's enjoying the saga about Diane's hair - we need to keep it going! And he's excited about our newly proposed members!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

**You can ignore time
but it will never ignore you!**