

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

JUNE 4, 2025

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ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS & REGISTRATION

June, 2025 - Ray Sinchak

July, 2025 - Volunteers Needed

INVOCATION

June, 2025 - Denise May

July 9, 2025 - Denise May

FELLOWSHIP (1st & 3rd Wed of the Month)

6/18/25 - Denise May

7/9/25 - Denise May

ENVIRONMENTAL TALK (2nd Wed. of the Month)

6/11/25 - Christine Cope

SPEAKERS

6/11/25 - Sean McBane, General Manager of Robins Theatre

6/18/25 - Mike Keys, Director of Warren Community Development Dept.

6/25/25 - Presidents' Night (No Noon Meeting)

7/2/2025 - No Meeting



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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JUNE ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

*"The foundation upon which Rotary is built is
friendship; on no less firm foundation could it have
stood"*

Paul Harris



June is designated as Rotary Fellowships Month, a time when we focus on recognizing and promoting the importance of International Fellowships and goodwill among Rotarians with common interests.

Let's first think about the meaning of "Fellowship". Fellowship is a core value of Rotary. It starts in our own club, where we enjoy fun activities together. However, it's more than just fun activities. Fellowship means being supportive, accepting and friendly with all of our members and adding value to each individual's membership by focusing on their positive characteristics.

Fellowship also involves making friends around the world, exploring hobbies and professions, and enhancing your Rotary experience. It highlights the value of building relationships with Rotarians outside of our own club, fostering a sense of community and global understanding. One way to do this is to attend a Rotary International Convention. Rotarians are also encouraged to join and participate in Rotary Fellowships - groups of Rotarians with common interests in areas like recreation, vocations, or health.

There are currently approximately 110 active Rotary Fellowships around the world. These groups allow Rotarians to: make lasting friendships globally; explore their passions and join together with others, doing activities that they enjoy; deepen their involvement in Rotary; gain new perspectives; and get involved in collaborative service projects and initiatives. They also provide networking and professional development opportunities with those in the same profession.

What a fitting finale to the Rotary Year. Fellowship is such an integral part of the Magic of Rotary!

For a list of Rotary Fellowships, and information on how to join a Rotary Fellowship or form a new group, visit:
www.rotary.org/fellowships

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Judy Masaki



On July 4th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ET, all of the United States will watch with bated breath as men and women from around the country gather to partake in one of our great American sports: eating hot dogs.

The Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest has, both miraculously and completely unsurprisingly, carved out a niche in our culture. Every year, people tune in to watch men and women alike stuff as many hot dogs (and buns) as possible into their rigorously trained stomachs.

The record for the most hot dogs ever eaten at Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest is held by Joey Chestnut, who ate 76 hotdogs in 2021! So much is said about Michael Jordan, Babe Ruth, and Tom Brady. Is LeBron James the greatest of all time? Muhammad Ali, Serena Williams, Michael Phelps, Simone Biles. These are the GOATs, the untouchable pantheon of great athletes. Where is Joey Chestnut's name? Have we ever seen such sustained dominance in a sport? The answer is no. No, we have not.

Of course, Joey Chestnut is not the only annual participant at Nathan's - and there were many great hot dog consumers in the years before his arrival on the scene. Takeru Kobayashi won the first five annual Nathan's contests, which began in 2002. His top win was 64.5 hot dogs. Matt Stonie is the only person to topple Joey Chestnut

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head-to-head since 2007; he ate 62 that year. Those two, and Chestnut, are the only winners in contest history. Carmen Cincotti is destined to be overlooked for a historically strong second-place effort in 2018 (64 dogs that year).

In 2011, Nathan's opened up a second contest on the Fourth of July for female competitors. So, in the more than a decade since, let's take a look at the five most hot dogs and bun eating in the women's Hot Dog Eating Contest. Much like the men's record book was written by Joey Chestnut, the women's records are co-authored by Miki Sudo, who has won every women's contest since 2014 except 2021 when she did not compete while pregnant, and Sonya Thomas, who won the first three women's contests. Sudo's highest number of dogs eaten for a win was 51, compared to Thomas' 48.5.

The best hot dog brands of 2025, according to taste tests and expert recommendations, include:

- * Nathan's Famous Skinless Beef Franks: Known for their crisp skin, subtle spice, uniform texture, and juicy flavor, these hot dogs are considered the pinnacle of a hot dog experience.
- * Boar's head Uncured Frankfurters: These hot dogs are praised for their minimal prep, easy cooking, and crowd-pleasing taste, making them a favorite for cookouts.
- * Hebrew National Beef Franks: With a beef-forward flavor and a hint of smoke, these hot dogs are perfect for topping with chili and salsa.
- * Oscar Mayer Original Uncured Wieners: These hot dogs are known for their squishy texture, salty flavor, and classic hot dog taste, making them versatile for various dishes.

These brands have been recognized for their quality and taste, making them top choices for hot dog lovers in 2025.



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SAVE THE DATES:

*** The Rotary Club of Warren Board of Directors will meet on Tuesday, June 10th at Quaker Steak & Lube on Elm Road.

*** The Girard-Liberty Rotary Catalina Wine Mixer will be held on Thursday, June 12th, at Giant Eagle (4700 Belmont Ave., Girard, OH 44420) from 6 to 9 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Girard-Liberty School Food Pantry and other community projects. Tickets are \$75 per person or \$500 per table. Tickets may be purchased at this Giant Eagle, Blackstone Funeral Home, Byrne Chiropractic, Sweet Memories Vintage Tees and Candy, or on Eventbrite.

*** The Rotary Club of Warren Foundation Board of Administrators will hold its next meeting at 11:15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 18th, at Trumbull Country Club.

*** The Rotary International Convention will be held in Calgary, Canada, June 21st through 25th. Come discover the "Magic All Around". Register at convention.rotary.org

*** Friends of the Mahoning River will be presenting their 2025 Riverfest on June 21st from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Packard Park. Join them in celebrating the revitalization of the Mahoning River. The event will include vendors, exhibits, live music, food trucks, a kayak race and more. Entry to the event is free!

OPERATION POLLINATION CHALLENGE: Three upcoming environmental educational opportunities are eligible for "points" towards the District 6650 Operation Pollination Environmental Challenge. Please take advantage of these opportunities which offer something for all ages! And if you participate, be sure to report back to Christine Cope so we get credit.

*** A Bees in Your Backyard Workshop will be presented by Dr. Olivia Carril on Sunday, June 22nd from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. There is a workshop

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fee of \$65, including lunch and refreshments, and the workshop is limited to 20 adults. You will learn hands-on instruction for ID and collection practices. On Monday, June 23rd, **a free Public Lecture and Meet & Greet** will be held from 6 - 9 p.m. This lecture will be limited to 60 people of all ages. Snacks and a campfire will be provided. Both of these events will be hosted at the Huston-Brumbaugh Nature Center located at 16146 Daniel St.NE, Minerva, OH 44657. Register at (330) 823-7487 or naturecenter@mountunion.edu/nature-center To reserve Olivia's books or posters for purchase, please indicate this on your registration.

***** A Project Wild & Growing Up Wild Educator Workshop** will be held on Wednesday, June 11th from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 490 S. Broad St., Canfield, OH 44406. Formal and informal educators will receive two curriculum and educator guides, various wildlife resources and publications, and the eligibility to apply for a Division of Wildlife's Education grant. The workshop is free to attend, but you must bring your own lunch. Phone (330) 740-7995 or visit www.mahoningsoilandwater.org to register.

THE 2025 ZONE INSTITUTE will be held in Columbus, Ohio September 4th through 7th. You will be able to network, innovate, collaborate and celebrate the outstanding work of Rotary. Follow Rotary Zones 30 & 31 Institute on Facebook for updates and current information. It's the closest thing to a RI Convention!

PREPARATION FOR ROTARY YEAR 2025 - 2026: Plans are underway for securing speakers for the upcoming Rotary Year. If you know of anyone who could present on a topic of interest, please email Alicia Adams-Angelo at Lish.Angelo@gmail.com or catch her at a club meeting.

ROTARY EXCHANGE BANNERS: If anyone is in possession of or aware of the storage location of the Rotary Exchange Banners that we have received from other clubs, please contact Julia Wetstein. We would like to make a collective display of the banners.

PLACE YOUR ORDER FOR CALENDAR! The top 12 photos from our recent Photo Contest have been made into a July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 calendar which is being printed at Walgreen's. A photo from our Peace Pole installation ceremony is featured on the cover. Cost is \$25. If you are interested in ordering calendars, please see Julia Wetstein.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Don't forget to introduce some friends or colleagues to Rotary! Bring new people to a club meeting and earn the chance to win \$100 each month.

CONGRATULATIONS to the slate of officers for The Rotary Club of Warren Board of Directors and The Rotary Club of Warren Foundation Board of Administrators who were approved by membership vote on June 4th. Their term of office will begin on July 1st. See the May 28th Bulletin for a complete listing of Board members.

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President's Enchanted Evening

Join us
for an Unforgettable
Evening of
Prestige and Magic

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547 S.MAIN ST. NILES, OH

—	JUNE	—
WEDNESDAY	25	APPETIZERS 5PM
5PM-9PM		DINNER 630PM
—	2025	—

DINNER, ENTERTAINMENT AND MUSIC
\$35 PER PERSON

RSVP BY JUNE 11th, 2025

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PROGRAM:

CHRISTINE COPE, PRESIDENT & CEO
SORAEYA LOVELAND, MARKETING
MANAGER
UNITED WAY OF TRUMBULL COUNTY

Soraeya Loveland is a 2021 graduate of Warren G. Harding High School. She earned her Associate's and Bachelor's Degrees from Kent State University and is pursuing her Master's Degree in Leadership at Youngstown State University.

In 2023, while completing undergraduate studies at Kent, Soraeya served as an intern at United Way of Trumbull County. During her internship, she worked on increasing the agency's social media presence, rebranding, and dueling pianos event.

Following graduation, she was promoted into the position of Marketing Manager. United Way of Trumbull

County's CEO and Warren Rotary Past-President Christine Cope was speaker at Soraeya's commencement ceremony. Soraeya shared that her experience in working with Christine at United Way has impacted both her personal and professional life. She loves being a part of an agency that "creates real human connections" and a network of people working together to make positive changes in the community.

United Way's mission is to help children and families thrive. Their vision is to "inspire and build a community where everyone has the opportunity to reach their full potential." They are focused on creating community-based and community-led solutions, and their campaign raises money to support community partners in three focus areas: Learn Well, Earn Well, and Stay Well.



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The Learn Well focus area is centered on education, reflecting on United Way's belief that educational opportunities should be available to all children and youth to help them succeed in life. Initiatives include: assisting children with Kindergarten readiness; increasing the number of children reading at grade level by grade 3; and providing food, clothing and other essentials to local students. United Way of Trumbull County is also an affiliate of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

The Earn Well focus area is dedicated to helping families achieve financial stability and a secure future. Partner agencies funded under this focus area help individuals develop skills and knowledge needed to secure better employment and increase their earning potential, manage finances more effectively, reduce stress and improve their quality of life, and build a stronger future for their children through access to education and resources.

Finally, "Stay Well" initiatives focus on health and basic needs of families, especially women and children with special needs. These partner agencies aim to improve access to healthcare, promote healthy lifestyles, address food insecurity and homelessness, prevent and manage chronic illness, provide mental health support, and more. 2-1-1, a 24 hour emergency hotline, assists in connecting families with resources.

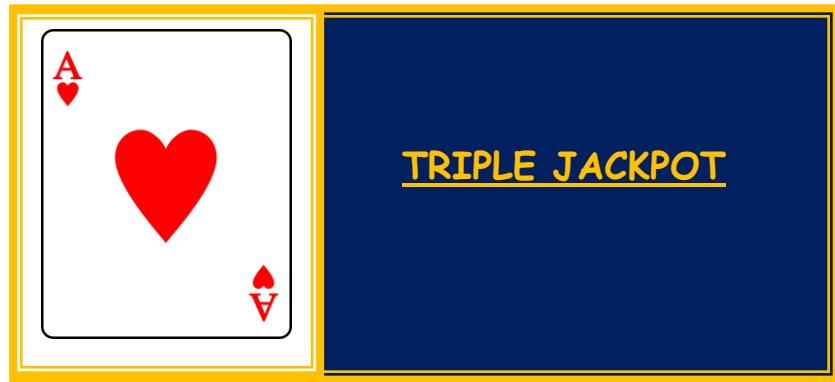
Soraeya stated that Trumbull County United Way's strength lies within its people and support from the community. Their volunteers, who help with events, are very much appreciated. She believes that one small act of kindness comes back to you. And in closing, she said, "Warren is resilient, but with support, we will be unstoppable."



Best wishes to the following Warren Rotarians who are celebrating June birthdays:

*Cheryl Oblinger, Scott Lewis, Jane MacPherson
Dallas Woodall, Lauren Kramer, Barry Dunaway,
Nigel Newman, Diane Sauer, and Don Powers*

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This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$107.
Congratulations to Daily Winner Julia Wetstein!

HAPPY BUCKS



*** **Julia Wetstein** was a happy winner! And she offered a Happy Buck for our speaker.

*** **Diane Sauer** enjoyed our speaker and wishes she had half of her energy!

*** **Andy Bednar** also offered a Happy Buck for Soraeya.

*** **Mike Wilson** offered a Happy Buck for our speaker. He is also happy that he completed classes in order to be a trainer on dementia. And he is appreciative that SCOPE was a recipient of proceeds from Warren Rotary's River Duck Festival.

*** **Judy Masaki** congratulated Soraeya on a job well done. She also offered a Happy Buck for our sunshine and the ability to plant flowers outside!

*** **Tony Iannucci** is happy that Soraeya is motivated to remain in Trumbull County.

*** **Cindy Matheson** enjoyed our speaker. She announced that Speed Limit is playing at Smoke on the Water in Conneaut, Saturday from

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4 to 8 p.m., and in Howland Township Park this Sunday from 6 to 8 p.m. She thanked everyone who has helped her prepare for Presidents' Night. Cindy also offered a Sad Buck for her father's cousin who passed away recently. He was married for 65 years. And she asked for continued prayers for her brother's recovery.

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE FOR THE DAY

“JUNE IS
WHEN EARTH
FEELS LIKE
A CHILD IN A
MAGNIFICENT
TOY SHOP.”

— SIGURD F. OLSON
IT'S ALL YOU BOO.COM