

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  
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*International  
Service*

*Youth Service*

# ROTARY NOTES

A publication of the Rotary Club of Warren

**MAY 15, 2024**

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**GREETERS**

May, 2024 - Patti Augustine

June, 2024 - Cindy Matheson

**REGISTRATION**

May, 2024 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak

June, 2024 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak

**INVOCATION**

May, 2024 & June, 2024 - Terra O'Brien

**FELLOWSHIP (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed.) & MAGAZINE REPORT (2<sup>nd</sup> Wed.)**

May, 2024 - Andy Bednar

June, 2024 - Denise May

**CAREER AWARENESS (4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of the Month)**

June, 2024 - Erica Royster

**SPEAKERS**

5/22/24 - Jason Gray, TCTC

5/29/24 - No Club Meeting

6/5/24 - Texas Roadhouse

6/12/24 - Nicole Fonacier Laroco, Former Rotary GSE member

6/19/24 - Presidents' Night/No Noon Club Meeting

6/26/24 - Compass Family & Community Services

7/3/24 - No Club Meeting

**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**

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*President Elect  
Cindy Matheson*

*Vice-President  
Tony Iannucci*

*Secretary  
Judy Masaki*

*Treasurer  
Cheryl Oblinger*

*Assistant  
Treasurer  
Mike Bollas*

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Ted Stazak*

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Lauren Kramer  
Marilyn Pape  
John Perdue  
Lorilyn Shandor  
Julia Wetstein*



They say that laughter is the best medicine! Well, Andy Bednar offered Warren Rotarians a good dose of comic relief this week with the following series of jokes:

1. Did you hear about the Italian chef who dies? Yeah... he pasta way.
2. There are three types of people in the world: Those who can count and those who can't.
3. I decided I no longer needed my vacuum cleaner so the other day, I sold it. All it was doing was collecting dust.
4. What's red and bad for your teeth? A brick.
5. I don't trust the stairs: they're always up to something.

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*Judy Masaki*

6. That's a pretty good ceiling.... It's not the best one I've ever seen but it's up there.
7. I wrote a song about a tortilla. Actually, it was more of a wrap.
8. A patron walks into a library and asks the librarian, "Do you have any books on paranoiac? To which the librarian replies, "Yes, and there RIGHT BEHIND YOU!"
9. What's the difference between ignorance and apathy? I don't know and I don't care.
10. Have you heard the one about the jump rope? Never mind... just skip it.
11. Why did the invisible man turn down the job offer? He just couldn't see himself doing it.
12. I broke my finger last week. On the other hand, I'm OK.
13. Do you usually use your right hand to stir your coffee? I usually use a spoon.

Have a great Rotary Day!!



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**MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE PROJECT** - Join the AMVETS Post 290 in Vienna as they place flags on veterans' graves at Crown Hill Burial Park (Warren-Sharon Road in Vienna) on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the first parking lot by the pond at 9:45 a.m. The AMVETS will provide lunch at their post (290 Youngstown-Kingsville Rd., Vienna, OH 44473) for all of those assisting with the service project at Noon.

**SCOPE** is holding their Sweet Surrender Bake Off on May 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Warren Senior Center (375 N. Park Ave.). Local Senior-friendly businesses will compete for the best dessert in town! Bring your sweet tooth! You can also participate in a 50-50 raffle and basket raffle.

**MITCH & CINDY'S BLUEGRASS MUSIC FESTIVAL** is scheduled for May 24<sup>th</sup> through May 26<sup>th</sup> at the Trumbull County fairgrounds. Be sure to go out and support this family-friendly event. Cindy Matheson would also like to have a Rotary table set up to get the word out about our club. If you are able to help set up and man the table, contact Cindy Matheson.

**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](https://convention.rotary.org). This year's theme is "Sharing Hope with the World".

**FLAG PLACEMENT** will also take place at Oakwood Cemetery on May 25<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Warren Rotarians and the Boy Scouts will be participating in this service project.

**TRUMBULL COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY** is organizing a block party for Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in front of the Warren Trumbull County Public Library on Mahoning Avenue. A few hundred children and their families will be visiting the event. Consider having your organization/business set up a table with give-a-ways and info for the community!

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**THE 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CATALINA WINE MIXER** will be hosted by the Girard-Liberty Rotary Club on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Giant Eagle on Belmont Avenue (4700 Belmont Ave., Youngstown, OH). The event will include wine, beer, all you can eat food, basket auctions and music.

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN BOARD OF DIRECTORS** will hold their June meeting on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at Leo's Restaurant. Fellowship, hosted by Bill Beinecke, will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the business meeting to follow at 6:00 p.m.

**THE ANNUAL ROTARY DISTRICT 6650 CONFERENCE** will kick off with an evening social event at Royal Docks Brewing in Oakwood Square from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. The conference will be held on June 15<sup>th</sup> at Kent Stark Conference Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Attendees will be able to meet new people, hear new ideas, and have some fun! Registration will be open from now until midnight on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Early registration is \$25 through midnight on May 24<sup>th</sup> and will increase to \$40 from May 24<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. Sign up today at: [tinyurl.com/Rotary6650Conference](http://tinyurl.com/Rotary6650Conference)

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN'S PRESIDENTS' NIGHT** will be held on Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at Trumbull Country Club beginning at 6:30 p.m. There will be no noon club meeting that day. There will be a cash bar, and a plated meal will be served, including your choice of beef, chicken or fish. Entertainment will be provided during the social hour.

**FREE EVENT:** Sunshine Golden Acres Farm Market & Soap Company will host a Classic Car Cruise-In on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. (3335 Mahoning Ave., NW, Warren, OH). There is no registration fee! The free event will feature music, coffee, donuts and other food, as well as a 50/50 raffle. Contact Rotarian Amy Phillips for more information.

**CLUB & DISTRICT SERVICE PROJECT:** If you know of any contact people at Senior Assisted Living facilities or Funeral Homes, please ask if they have gently used hearing aides that they would like to donate to a good cause. Hearing aides can be refurbished or used for parts. We can collect them and give them to The Hearing Mission Foundation.

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FORM** to Cindy Matheson as soon as possible in order to help us plan for the next Rotary Year!

**ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN BOARD OF DIRECTORS POSITIONS OPEN:** If you are interested in serving on our Club's Board of Directors, contact Cindy Matheson or Tony Iannucci no later than next Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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PROGRAM:

MIKE WILSON,  
MIND CHALLENGE FOR THE NEW MAJORITY



If you weren't able to attend this week's meeting, you missed the opportunity to participate in a game of trivia hosted by Mr. Monopoly himself - our own Mike Wilson - and his Vanna White and former Rotarian, Marge Haley!

"Mind Challenge for the New Majority" is a game that gives aging members of communities an opportunity to exercise their brain in a fun way.

It is used at many Senior Centers across the country, allowing old and new friends to work together for a common goal and just enjoy the day.

How many times have we heard that "if you're not having fun at Rotary, you're not doing it right!?" That's why Mike Wilson facilitated a modified version of the trivia contest right here at The Rotary Club of Warren's meeting. And it was indeed a good time!

Teams of our members were challenged by questions in categories like movies, motion pictures, weather, water, fast food, music, famous authors, world geography, and United States Presidents. Do you know the answers to these questions:

1. How many victims were killed in the Godfather?
2. What is visible in the night sky in Alaska?
3. What is the official name for the depth of water?
4. What McDonald's product is used as the official price index?
5. What British duo created the songs, *I Don't Want to See You Anymore* and *Lady Godiva*?
6. Name four of the eight countries that border Austria.
7. Who was the Director of *Back to the Future*?

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8. What American author wrote *Rip Van Winkle*?
9. What U.S. President died within one month of his inauguration?

After hearing the questions, each team had to write down their answer and also strategically wager points (1, 3, or 6) to try to come out on top. The final results were as follows:

The Clubbers - 40 points

Brains in the Corner & the Winners (tied) - 23 points

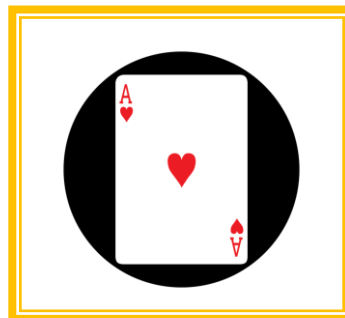
Fearless - 21 points

The Goats - 20 points

Many thanks to Mike and Marge for showing us that you're never too old to have fun!!

(The answers: 1. zero; 2. Aurora Borealis; 3. fathom; 4. The Big Mac; 5. Peter & Gordon; 6. Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Italy, Switzerland, and Lichtenstein; 7. Robert Zemeckis; 8. Irving; and 9. William Henry Harrison)

TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$389.  
Congratulations to Daily Winner Cindy Matheson!

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HAPPY BUCKS

\*\*\* **Mike Wilson** thanked our members and his Vanna White for playing his game. He also reminded everyone about the upcoming Bake-Off on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

\*\*\* **Patti Augustine** bought some pink wool cashmere on a fabric shopping trip. She made a trench coat which won first place at a recent contest!! Congratulations, Patti!

\*\*\* **Amy Phillips** thanked Cindy Matheson for the goat calendar!

\*\*\* **Robin Martorana** enjoyed this week's trivia game. She also reported that her son-in-law was hit in the head by a tree. She's grateful that he's OK.

\*\*\* **Cindy Matheson** offered Happy Bucks for Mike and Vanna, for the Committee Assignment Forms that are being turned in, and for her upcoming Bluegrass Jamboree!

\*\*\* **Ted Stazak** also enjoyed our time with Mike and Vanna.

\*\*\* **Ken LaPolla** thanked Mike Wilson for hosting the wonderful and exciting game. He reported that President Zachary Taylor only lived 5 years after his inauguration. He was a distant relative of Ken's wife. Ken also congratulated Cindy Matheson and Tony Iannucci for preparing well for our next Rotary Year!