Rotary Motto

Service Above Self

4-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

Is it the truth?

Isi it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Avenues of Service

Club Service

Vocational Service

Community Service

International Service

Youth Service

ROTARY NOTES
November 4, 2026
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GREETERS & REGISTRATION
November, 2026 - Ray Sinchak & Barry Dunaway

INVOCATION
November, 2026 - Janet Schweitzer
December, 2026 - Andy Bednar

FELLOWSHIP (typically 1st, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays of the month)
November 18, 2026 - Ray Sinchak
December 2, 16 & 23, 2026 - Christine Cope

MAGAZINE REPORT (typically 2nd Wednesday of the month)
November 11, 2026 - Lauren Kramer
December 9, 2026 - Christine Cope

SPEAKERS
11/11/2026 - Veterans Day Program: Jacob Baur
11/18/2026 - Christine Young, River Gate High School
11/25/2026 - No Club Meeting due to Thanksgiving Holiday

Areas of Focus

Peace & Conflict Prevention/ Resolution

Disease Prevention & Treatment

Water & Sanitation

Maternal & Child Health

Basic Education & Literacy

Eceonomic & Community Development

The Environment

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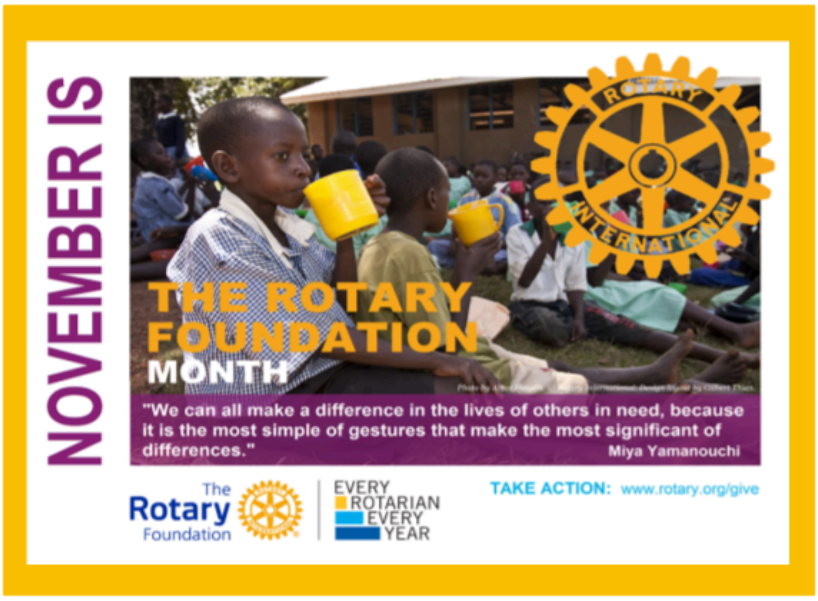
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November is Rotary Foundation Month, a time to celebrate & support the charitable arm of Rotary. For more than 100 years, The Rotary Foundation has spent more than $4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. The Foundation collects donations, multiplies funds, supports global & local projects, & ensures accountability & impact. Its mission is to advance world understanding, goodwill, & peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, & alleviating poverty.

If Rotary is to be there to fund humanitarian & educational programs like teaching children to read, building wells, feeding the hungry, caring for the sick, & sheltering the poor, then EVERY ROTARIAN is encouraged to support the Foundation with personal contributions EVERY YEAR! Let's remember that no act of giving is too small. Every contribution, no matter how little, can help transform lives, support communities, & create lasting impact.

So, give generously today. Together, we can do so much good in the world!

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Judy Masaki

Fellowship



Ray Sinchak kicked off November Fellowship by welcoming visiting Rotarians Andrew Smith from Champion Rotary and District Governor-Elect Richard Cole from The Rotary Club of Port-Summit, Ohio.

Ray then took a look at interesting events associated with November 4th. On that day in 1922, Howard Carter discovered King Tut's tomb in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. November 4th is National Easy Bake Oven Day, as well as Use Your Common Sense Day, which should really be every day, shouldn't it? Lastly, November 4th is National Candy Day, a holiday dedicated to enjoying and celebrating all kinds of sweets.

And then Ray was off to doing what he does best - storytelling. Here's what Ray had to say:

"Most actors and actresses didn't get starring roles instantly. They worked through smaller roles and to hone their craft. But there are exceptions, a few. One being actor, producer, screenwriter, and director, Orson Welles. This is the story.

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In 1938, Welles was producing a radio show called *Mercury Theatre* on the air. It was on the CBS Radio Network for a couple of years. In October of that year, he got an inspired idea for a show. Being a very intelligent man and avid reader, he thought of H.G. Wells' classic novel, *War of the Worlds*. So, Welles decided to have a little fun and base his next show on that novel.

It starts with a few bulletins interrupting a live music program - relatively calm reports of unusual explosions on Mars- followed by an unrelated report of an unknown object falling on a farm in Grovers Mill, New Jersey. The crisis escalated dramatically when an on-scene reporter at Grovers Mill describes creatures emerging from what is evidently an alien spacecraft. The aliens employ a heat ray against police and onlookers, and the reporter describes the attack in an increasing panic state until his audio feed abruptly goes dead.

A rapid series of news updates follow, detailing the devastating alien invasion and the military's futile attempts to stop it. Then a live report from a rooftop in Manhattan describes citizens fleeing from poison smoke released by towering Martian 'war machines' until he coughs and falls silent. The second half of the show follows a survivor (played by Welles) dealing with the aftermath of the invasion and the ongoing Martian occupation of Earth. The final segment concludes with the revelation that the Martians were defeated by microbes rather than by humans, for the Martians had no resistance to them.

Now CBS Radio Network became aware of the public's growing reaction while the show was still being performed live. Though there was pressure to stop production, they let it continue to its planned conclusion. There was widespread media outrage in the hours and days that followed, mainly that the news bulletin format was described as deceptive, with an outcry against the broadcasters and calls for regulations by the FCC. The next morning at a hastily called news conference, Welles apologized and no punitive action was taken.

Keep in mind a large number of the radio audience have been listening to the much more highly rated show, *The Chase and Sanborn Hour* with Edgar Bergen on NBC, and switched to *War of the Worlds*, thereby missing Welles' introduction of his show as a work of science fiction.

But that broadcast and subsequent publicity brought the 23-year-old Welles to the attention of the general public and to the movie studios, with the reputation of an innovative storyteller, actor, show director and producer who wasn't averse to thinking out of the box so to speak.

Now, all this leads Welles to make very important and acclaimed movies that include *The Third Man, Citizen Kane, and The Magnificent Ambersons.* My favorite is *The Third Man."*

PROGRAM: ANDREW SMITH, ROTARY CLUB OF CHAMPION



Andrew Smith grew up in Andover, a village in Ashtabula County near Pymatuning Lake, the largest manmade lake in Ohio. He met his future wife in college. They married in 2016 and are now the proud parents of two daughters, ages 7 and 14 years. Andrew's wife is a teacher, and Andrew is employed by Ohio CAT as a salesman covering Trumbull, Portage, Mahoning and Columbiana Counties. He sells machinery to construction and industrial contractors as well as

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Farmers. Andrew is Past-President of the Rotary Club of Champion (2025 - 2026).

Andrew visited with our club this past week and first spoke with us about construction safety advancements. While deaths related to heavy machinery used in the construction industry are quite high, 360 degree AI cameras are now being used to discriminate between trees, objects, and people within 10 feet, and sound an alarm to alert drivers of caterpillars to stop. This type of safety system is to be integrated into every construction vehicle by next year. In addition, will eventually work in autonomous vehicles.

Through his career, Andrew met Russ Banks, a car dealer in Champion. Andrew mentioned to Russ that he was looking for ways to give back to the community, and Russ introduced Andrew to the Champion Rotary. The Rotary Club of Champion is a small group, with about 12 members in attendance regularly, but they are a dedicated bunch and growing. The club recently voted in three new members.

Each year, the Champion Rotary holds an Easter Bunny Pancake Breakfast at Champion Presbyterian Church, a Memorial Day Parade with a band and guest speakers, a Fly the Flag fundraiser, and Cookies with Santa and Tree Lighting. They also have another upcoming fundraiser - a Bourbon Raffle. Tickets are $20 each, payable via cash or Venmo, and only 150 tickets are being sold. Prizes include: Elijah Craig 18 year old and Heaven Hill Grain to Glass (1st prize); Weller Full Proof (2nd prize); and E.H.Taylor Small Batch (3rd prize). The drawing will be held on December 15th. Proceeds from the Champion club's fundraisers support three $1,000 scholarships for Champion High School students, as well as their Robotics Club. Next year, a Paint and Sip and Daughter/Daddy Dance are being planned.

Andrew is no stranger to Warren Rotary. He won our River Duck Festival duck race this past year, and he worked in collaboration with Cindy Matheson to organize a joint Rotary Club social event about a month ago. Andrew emphasized that all Rotary Clubs are unique but have a shared interest in supporting local communities. He encouraged everyone to attend future social events, network with area Rotarians, and share upcoming events and membership strategies.

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WARREN ROTARY VETERANS: Be sure to join us for our club's Veterans Day program on Wednesday, November 11th at Noon, at Trumbull Country Club.

ROTARY DISTRICT 6650 WILL BE PRESENTING "VENERATING OUR VETERANS" on Wednesday, November 11th at the MAPS Air Museum (2260 International Parkway, North Canton, OH). Self-tours of the museum and a cash bar will begin at 5:00 p.m., followed by a complimentary dinner at 6:00 p.m. and U.S. Veteran keynote speakers Tables will also be set up by organizations providing services to Veterans.

ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN T-SHIRTS: Since individuals seem to like different kinds of shirts, you can bring in a new t-shirt, button-down shirt, sweater or jacket, and Demise May will have the Roary Logo embroidered on it. There will be opportunities to do this once a month or once a quarter. The first drop-off date is November 18th.

ANGEL TREE PROGRAMS are being organized by The Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul, and NOAS. Please consider purchasing gifts for a child in need this holiday season.

THE SALVATION ARMY KETTLE RINGING CONTEST: The Rotary Club of Warren will once again be assisting in ringing the kettle bells this holiday season, beginning 11/14/26. If you haven't already signed up to help out, please see Alicia Adams-Angelo. A friendly competition will take place to see what Warren Rotary team will collect the most money!

HELP RAISE FUNDS AND AWARENESS FOR THE ROTARY FONDATION ON GIVING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1st. This global day of generosity is an opportunity for all Rotarians to make a big impact with a gift of any size. Donations to The Annual Fund - SHARE support projects in our community and around the world. Gifts to the PolioPlus Fund help transport vaccines and immunize children to keep the, safe.The Rotary Foundation will recognize the top three clubs in fundraising, donor participation, and online giving. Help Rotary create positive change in the world!

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WARREN'S HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS PARADE is scheduled for Saturday, December 5th.

THE WARREN CIVIC CHORUS will perform Frideric Handel's *Messiah* on Sunday, December 6th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Blessed Sacrament Church (3020 Reeves Rd., NE, Warren, OH 44483). The Chorus will be accompanied by members of the Warren Philharmonic Orchestra and local professional soloists. Several of our Warren Rotarians are members of this nearly 100 voice strong chorus which is celebrating over 60 years of inspirational musical performances. Be sure to begin your holiday season by attending and enjoying this lovely musical presentation. Admission is free but goodwill offerings would be much appreciated.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT THE SALVATION ARMY: Help bring joy and hope to children and families in our community this Christmas by assisting with toy packing and sorting December 7th - 12th or December 14th - 16th at 270 Franklin St., SE., in Warren, Ohio. Distribution days will be December 17th and 18th. If you are able to help, email Captain Kate at: kate.esker@use.salvationarmy.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The 2027 Warren Rotary River Duck Festival is slated for the last Sunday in June (6/27/2027)! "Save the Date" flyers are already being distributed. Stay tuned for more details.

DON'T FORGET OUR DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN!! The goal is to reach 1.25 million members worldwide by the year 2030, when Rotary will be 125 years old. Our #1 job right now is to attract new members. If you know someone who wants to make a difference and would feel a sense of accomplishment in serving the community, invite them to our meetings and introduce them to Rotary. The power of Rotary lies within its active membership!!



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Rotary Intercountry Committees

DO YOU LIKE TO LEARN ABOUT OTHER CULTURES?
DO YOU LIKE TO TRAVEL?

...then The Rotary Inter-Country Committee USA/Portugal is just for you.

What is Rotary Inter-Country Committee?
Rotary Inter-country Committees (ICCs) promote relationships between two or more international districts or countries to increase the fellowship and intercultural understanding among the people of the various nations; foster stronger ties between the members, clubs, and districts from different countries; and establish networks across borders, continents, and oceans.

Today, more than 800 ICC sections from all over the world provide significant support to all programs of Rotary and its Foundation. They help increase the effectiveness of the international service in our seven areas of focus.

Rotary Districts 7430 in Pennsylvania, 5500 in Arizona, 5010 in Alaska, 6650 in Ohio,5240 in California, and 7950 in Rhode Island are partnering together with Districts in Portugal.This is our first ICC exchange.

ANNOUNCING NEW OUTGOING CULTURE EXCHANGE WITH Portugal

Two Opportunities:

April 21- April 28 2027 Lisbon region
April 28- May 3, 2027 Azores

- Rotarians and spouses/partners may participate. Costs are paid for by the individuals. Lodging will be in a variety of hotels. There will be tours, meals, attending Rotary meetings and participation in Rotary Service projects.
- You may sign up for both weeks or just one week. Individual Rotarians and/ or couples may apply.
- Cost week one Lisbon(6- 7 nights) approximately $3500 per person (excluding airfare)
- Cost week two Azores approximately $2700 per person (excluding airfare)
- Detailed itinerary will be provided once application received and still working out Rotary Visits and projects.

Applications are being accepted now on a first come first served basis. There is limited space.

Include your name and partner name, District number and e-mail and telephone number.

Come join the adventure and meet fellow Rotarians from Portugal and the USA

Please contact PDG Cindy Hornaman, D7430
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TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled $90.
Congratulations to Daily Winner Bob Hoy!

HAPPY BUCKS



*** Bob Hoy was a Happy Winner. He enjoyed our speaker and said we need more young people to join Rotary!
*** Julia Wetstein was happy to see Andrew, her favorite non-Warren Rotary President, and District Governor-Elect Rich.
*** John Esker is proud of the Lakeview Lady Bulldogs who won the divisional volleyball championship and are moving on to the regional contest against South Range. He appreciated the great turnout for the Salvation Army's Tunk Or Treat event. He thanked our club for their donation from the River Duck Festival proceeds. Funds will be used for the Salvation Army food bank and social services.
*** Cindy Matheson offered a Happy Buck in honor of Andrew Smith; she's sorry our club didn't find him first!. She said Trunk or Treat was a blast. Cindy

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worked the polls on election day. And she was looking forward to Downtown Dazzle.

*** Tony Iannucci was glad to see Andrew, and he said the Champion club's Easter Breakfast is great! He expressed thanks to to all who have helped out with Downtown Dazzle, especially Darlene Jones.

*** Ken LaPolla is looking forward to golf in Vegas!

*** Meghan Reed offered a Happy Buck for our speaker and for DG Elect Rich. On November 24th, a new book by Meghan and Josh Nativio is coming out on Warren's Millionaires Row. Pre-sales are being taken on the Trumbull County Historical Society's Store website.

*** Alicia Adams-Angelo offered a Happy Buck in honor of Andrew Smith and DG-Elect Rich Cole.



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

John Gibson Andy Bednar Reilly Berk