

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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NOVEMBER 8, 2023

ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS

November, 2023 - Denise May

December, 2023 - Denise May

REGISTRATION

November, 2023 - Barry Dunaway & Ray Sinchak

December, 2023 - To Be Announced

INVOCATION

November, 2023 - Diane Sauer

December, 2023 - Ted Stazak

FELLOWSHIP (1st & 3rd Wed.) & MAGAZINE REPORT (2nd Wed.)

November, 2023 - Kim Straniak

December, 2023 - Joni Gawne

CAREER AWARENESS (4th Wed. of the Month)

November, 2023 - Ben Kulper

December, 2023 - Richard Fallon

SPEAKERS

11/15/23 - Captain Kiley, Salvation Army Angel Tree

11/22/23 - Santa Clause

11/29/23 - Service Project (NO meeting at TCC)

12/6/23 - Jenny Smith, Clover Recycling

12/13/23 - Cheryl Knowlton, South Africa Lydia's Mission

12/20/23 - Christmas Gift Exchange

12/27/23 - No Meeting

12/31/23 - Opening Night

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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THE MILITARY CODE OF CONDUCT

I am an American fighting in the forces that guard my country and our way of life.

I will never surrender of my own free will. If in command, I will never surrender the members of my command while they still have the means to resist.

If I am captured, I will continue to resist by all means available. I will make every effort to escape and aid others to escape. I will accept neither parole nor special favors from the enemy.

If I become a prisoner of war, I will keep the faith with my fellow prisoners. I will give no information nor take part in any action which might be harmful to my comrades. If I am senior, I will take command. If not, I will obey the lawful orders of those appointed over me and will back them up in every way.

Should I become a prisoner of war, I am required to give name, rank, service number, and date of birth. I will evade answering further questions to the utmost of my ability. I will make no oral or written statements disloyal to my country and its allies.

I will never forget that I am an American fighting for freedom, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principles which made my country free. I will trust in my God and in the United States of America.

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

contact:

Judy Masaki

WARREN ROTARY VETERANS

The Rotary Club of Warren would like to honor the following members who have served in the Armed Forces within the United States and abroad:

Mike Bollas 1966 – 1970 U.S. Army Security Agency
(Served in: Vietnam & Germany)

Tony Cafaro 1969 – 1975 U.S. Army Reserve
(Served in the United States)

Jim Ditch 1968 – 1972 U.S. Air Force
(Served in: Vietnam & the United States)

Robert Hoy 1965 – 1971 Army National Guard
(Served in the United States)

Elwood Jones 1985 – 2005 U.S. Air Force
(Served in: Guam, Japan & the United States)

Ben Kulper 1986 – 2020 U.S. Army Reserve
Civil Air Patrol
Ohio Medical Reserve Corp
(Served in: Europe, the Middle East & South America)

Ken LaPolla 1991 – 2020 U.S. Navy (Active)
U.S. Navy reserve
(Served in: Paris Island; LaMaddalena, Italy;
& various locations in the United States.)

Nigel Newman 1968 – 1970 U.S. Navy
(Served in: Vietnam & the United States)

Ted Stazak 1984 – 1990 Army National Guard
(Served in the United States)

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In addition to these veterans, we would like to pay tribute to our family members, both living and dead, who served their country. And last, but not least, the Rotary Club of Warren was honored to welcome the following guest Veterans to our November 8th meeting:

- * **Mike Psznick & Jerry Sweet** (guests of Ray Sinchak)
- * **Jeff Littell** (a 101 year old veteran who was a guest of Cindy Matheson)
- * **Colonel Michael Maloney**, Commander of the 910th Airlift Wing, Youngstown Air Reserve Station
- * **Senior Master Sergeant Bob Barko , Jr.**, Superintendent of the 910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!!



WARRR E N R O T A R Y

PROGRAM:

COLONEL MICHAEL MALONEY
& SR. MASTER SGT. BOB BARKO,
910th AIRLIFT WING,
YARS



Colonel Michael Maloney (pictured above on the right) is the commander of the 910th Airlift Wing at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station. As commander, he is responsible for the training of personnel and employment of C-130 Hercules aircraft globally. He was commissioned through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at the University of Missouri. He began his career as a navigator and electronic warfare officer at Barksdale Air Force Base and graduated from pilot training in 2002. He has logged more than 5,000 military and civilian pilot hours. He also has many years of experience in Joint Special Operations Detachment and Foreign Language Training, and is a certified Foreign Area Officer (FAO) with a European specialty. He was previously stationed in Texas, Florida, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Illinois, Georgia, Uganda and Germany. He has been assigned to Ohio for the past 6 months.

Senior Master Sergeant Bob Barko, Jr. currently serves as the Superintendent of the 910th Airlift Wing's Public Affairs Office.

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He originally joined the military in 1986. He later graduated from Youngstown State University in 1993, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Graphic Design, with a minor in Computer Graphics. He also earned an Associate's Degree in Mass Communication/Media Studies from Community College of the Air Force. Shortly after 9/11, Barko reenlisted in the Ohio National Guard as a public affairs specialist. In 2006, he joined the Air Force and was stationed at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station where he's been serving ever since. He is a Mahoning Valley native who has always been fascinated by the history and culture of the area. Out of uniform, Master Sgt. Barko is a graphic artist for his business, Steel Town Studios.

During the first segment of their program, Colonel Maloney stated that no one joins the military knowing exactly what they will do. Rather, the heroic act is raising your hand to join in the first place. He told us stories of strategic air command missions that his family members were involved in during the Cold War and bitter fights in Iraq. He emphasized that the brave individuals serving in the military at that time were kids, but many are still here, and they're still amazing, and they still need our support. So, his message to America is to always remember the past, present and future veterans

Master Sgt. Barko then took over the program and gave us a more in-depth look at the 910th Airlift Wing, whose mission is to provide a current, qualified, mission-ready force. They are always ready to answer the nation's call to provide tactical airlift, aerial spray and agile combat support. Nearly 1,900 personnel are assigned to the Airlift Wing's home base at YARS. The Air Force Reserve Unit at YARS is the largest in Ohio, only behind Wright Patterson Air Force Base. Sitting on approximately 330 acres, YARS houses eight C-130s and \$1 billion in federal assets. As the largest employer in Trumbull County, they pour \$100 million into the local economy, making the 910th and YARS vital to national defense and to the Mahoning Valley as well. Eight new C-130Js have been promised to the base, which will nearly double their assets.

YARS has a longstanding history as part of the Mahoning Valley, dating back to 1955. During wartime, the 910th Wing uses C-130 Hercules tactical cargo aircraft to deliver personnel and materials by airdrop and air - land techniques. They have delivered vital supplies to soldiers in Afghanistan, Iraq, Europe and the Middle East, as well as humanitarian cargos to global locations.

The Department of Defense tasks the 910th to control disease-carrying insects and undesirable vegetation via Aerial Spray Missions. Only EPA products are used for these missions, which are carried out in combat areas or in response to natural disasters and emergencies.

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YARS also houses one of only four EPA-approved training centers for Pesticide Applicator Certification, serving both the U.S.A. and overseas.

The 910th and YARS are engaged in the local community by offering equipment displays, speaking engagements, air shows, mutual aide to fire trucks, and night vision training.

For more information about the 910th Airlift Wing, visit the YARS website at: www.youngstown.afrc.af.mil or follow them on social media.

VETERANS DAY

By Cheryl Dyson

On Veterans Day we honor all,
Who answered to a service call.
Soldiers young, and soldiers old,
Fought for freedom, brave and bold.
Some have lived, while others died,
And all of them deserve our pride.
We're proud of all the soldiers who,
Kept thinking of red, white and blue.
They fought for us and all our rights,
They fought through many days and
nights.

And though we may not know each
name,
We thank ALL veterans just the same.

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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=LQQJ4>

d If you can't make it to our meetings at Trumbull Country Club in person, join us via Facebook Live!

OPENING NIGHT is slated for Sunday, December 31st! This year is exceptionally exciting as Warren celebrates its 225th birthday!! The birthday bash will begin with a Dancing Light Show on Courthouse Square at 6 p.m., and entertainment will follow at 6:15 p.m. in various venues around Downtown Warren. Wristbands are required to enter all of the venues and can be purchased online from now through December 28th by visiting: www.warrenrotary.org/tickets . Everyone who purchases a wristband in advance will be mailed a coupon that will need to be turned in at the Log Cabin directly across from the Courthouse Square Fountain in exchange for a wristband. Wristbands WILL NOT be mailed in advance. Coupons will be mailed out until December 21st. After that, simply go to the Log Cabin the night of the event and give a volunteer your name and you will be given the proper number of tickets as indicated on our master list of guests. After December 28th, when online sales shut down, wristbands will need to be purchased the night of the event at the Log Cabin. Adult wristbands for those 10 years of age and older are \$10. Children, ages 3 through 9 years of age, will pay \$5 per wristband. Children under three are free.

OPENING NIGHT SPONSORSHIPS: Those wishing to sponsor this year's event can visit: www.warrenrotary.org/sponsor. Select the sponsor level that is right for you. The deadline for sponsorships is December 10, 2023.

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN BOARD OF DIRECTORS will meet at Downtown 124 Kitchen & Cocktails (124 N. Park Ave., Warren, OH 44481) on Thursday, November 16th. Fellowship will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the business meeting to follow at 6:00p.m. Our host for the evening will be Tony Iannucci.

THE CORTLAND ROTARY CLUB is holding a fundraiser. Raffle tickets are being sold (\$20 per ticket) for an opportunity to win a variety of prizes, including a two day stay for four people at the Grand Resort, cash of varying amounts, and gift cards. The drawing will be held in December. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact ADG Julia Wetstein or Gris Hurlbert.

NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH. Please contribute!!

THE 2024 RYLA CONFERENCE will be held February 9th through February 11th at the Waypoint Marriott at Westford Place in Canfield, Ohio.

TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$56.
Congratulations to Daily Winner Alicia Adams-Angelo!!

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HAPPY BUCKS



*** **Cindy Matheson** offered a Happy Buck in honor of our speakers, their service and the amazing YARS, and for her friend Jeff Littell, a Veteran and a bluegrass musician. Cindy also reported that her Mom is not doing too great but she is hopeful that Hillside Hospital can help her regain her strength and ability to walk.

*** **Scott Lewis** is happy that the Colonel and Master Sergeant joined us for our meeting, and he offered a Happy Buck for their amazing base.

*** **Tony Iannucci** enjoyed our speakers and was happy to hear about the progress taking place at YARS. He also offered a Happy Buck for the students who attended the Interact Conference.

*** **Don Powers** offered a Happy Buck for our speakers and wished Cindy and her Mom well.

*** **Julia Wetstein** enjoyed our speakers. When she moved to Ohio, a Colonel from YARS took Julia under her wing and became one of her first local friends.

*** **Ken LaPolla** offered a Happy Buck for his fellow Veterans and our speakers. He is also happy to be going to South Carolina to visit his Mom.

*** **Alicia Adams-Angelo** offered a Happy Buck in honor of all Veterans. And she is looking forward to Opening Night!