

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

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ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS

October, 2023 - Don Powers
November, 2023 - Denise May

REGISTRATION

October, 2023 - Barry Dunaway
November, 2023 - To Be Announced

INVOCATION

October, 2023 - Kim Straniak
November, 2023 - Diane Sauer

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

October, 2023 - Andy Bednar
November, 2023 - Kim Straniak

CAREER AWARENESS (4th Wed. of the Month)

October, 2023 - Terra O'Brien
November, 2023 - Shawn Littell

SPEAKERS

10/25/23 - Sarah Everly,
Warren-Trumbull County Public Library Bookmobile Anniversary
11/1/23 - NOAS
11/8/23 - Veterans Day Speaker
11/15/23 - Cheryl Knowlton, South Africa Lydia's Mission
11/22/23 - Santa Clause
11/29/23 - Service Project (NO meeting at TCC)

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
Ken LaPolla*

*President Elect
Cindy Matheson*

*Vice-President
Tony Iannucci*

*Secretary
Judy Masaki*

*Treasurer
Cheryl Oblinger*

*Assistant
Treasurer
Mike Bolas*

*Past President
Ted Stazak*

Board Members

*Bill Beinecke
Lauren Kramer
Marilyn Pape
John Perdue
Lorilyn Shandor
Julia Wetstein*

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN WELCOMES DISTRICT GOVERNOR RICH TIRPAK



Pictured Above: Elaine Bozick, District Governor-Elect; District Governor Rich Tirpak; Warren Rotary President Ken LaPolla; and Assistant District Governor Julia Wetstein.

Dr. Rich Tirpak received his Bachelor's Degree in Zoology and his D.V.M. from The Ohio State University. He was employed as a Veterinarian in Canton, Ohio for over 39 years before retiring in 2018.

Rich has served on the Vestry and Finance Committee of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, and on the Board of Directors of both the Stark County Humane Society and Pegasus Farm Equestrian Center.

In 1982, Rich was inducted into the Rotary Club of Canton, and in 1986, he transferred to the Rotary Club of Plain Township. He has been actively involved in various committees and was the President of the Rotary Club of Plain Township from 2016-2017. He currently serves as District Governor of Rotary District 6650.

During his visit with the Rotary Club of Warren this week, the District Governor noted that some clubs, sadly, don't invite him to one of their meetings out of fear of being told how to change. However, he asserted that this is not his purpose, as only the club members can identify problems and make necessary changes. Rather, he was here to tell our club "Thanks" for being Rotarians, being a part of District 6650, and for all that we do.

Rich also shared a few ideas about the 4 C's - Commitment, Continuity, Communication, and Contribution. First, he stated that

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suggestions
about our
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you would like
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sponsor, please**

contact:

Judy Masaki

Rotarians are committed people of action and ability. He quoted Past DG George Hays, who said that "with ability comes responsibility", and if you are committed, you will always find time for something of value.

Next, Rich talked about how much Rotarians love reinvention of the wheel. We look for new leaders, new ideas, and new goals every year. However, it takes longer than a year for an idea to come to fruition. As a result, he encourages clubs to find leaders early. A Rotary club's President, Vice-President, and President-Elect need to meet often to discuss ideas and plan the future of the club. This type of **continuity and communication** needs to constantly take place between the officers, the Board, the members and the District. Rich asked our club to please keep the lines of communication open because he can only have a successful year as District Governor if individual clubs have a successful year.

At this point, Rich posed this question, "Do you value and have fun being a Rotarian?" If so, then he urged members to share their passion about Rotary with others. Think outside the box and find, not only new members, but also friends of Rotary. Allow individuals who are new to Rotary to be involved in whatever way they want and they might eventually become longstanding members. Create a welcoming environment.

Finally, whether you are a new member or a seasoned veteran of Rotary, it is important that you **contribute**. Rich described Rotary as "a fine engine that does good things". Yet, did you know that while 70% of clubs contribute to the Rotary Foundation, only 38% of members do?

In 1985, Rotarians started an arduous campaign to eradicate a devastating disease - Polio. While we've come close, it's still out there, and it's only an airplane ride away from the United States. Yet, only 12% of club members donate to PolioPlus. Are you willing to sacrifice a cup of coffee a week so that a child doesn't have to use braces in order to walk or so an adult doesn't perish? If so, consider donating \$100 annually to the End Polio Now campaign.

Rich suggested other ways for clubs and members to contribute: do something to help kids, improve mental health, increase membership in Rotary, or sponsor an End Polio Now event. Perform acts of kindness. This makes people more resilient. And only by building peace within can we build peace in the world.

The Rotary Club of Warren would like to thank DG Rich Tirpak for spending time with our members and for his inspiring words of wisdom.

W A R R E N R O T A R Y



Operation Pollination is an inclusive partnership project that recognizes the importance of restoring, protecting and maintaining pollinator habitats on public and private land. In June of 2020, Rotary International added "supporting the environment" as its 7th Area of Focus. Ohio was the first state in the nation to have all of its District Governors sign a resolution in support of Operation pollination. Furthermore, The Rotary Club of Warren, during Christine Cope's Presidential Year, was the first club in the district to sign a pledge to engage in pollinator habitat restoration. Two pollinator gardens have been planted by our club, one at The Animal Welfare League of Trumbull County and one at Children's Rehabilitation Center.

This week, we were honored to have DG Tirpak take his turn in signing the Operation Pollination resolution during our club meeting.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN RECEIVES RECOGNITION FROM THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



September 2023

Dear Club President:

On behalf of the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, please accept this special 2022-23 banner recognition as an expression of our sincere appreciation for your members' generous support of the Annual Fund. Your club is distinguished from more than 36,000 Rotary clubs worldwide as being one or more of the following:

- One of only 1,530 clubs to achieve **Top Three Highest in Per Capita Annual Giving** honors in their district (*only clubs with a minimum US\$50 Annual Fund per capita contribution were eligible*).
- One of only 3,800 clubs worldwide to attain status as an **Every Rotarian, Every Year Club** (*clubs must have achieved a minimum Annual Fund contribution of US\$100 per capita with every dues-paying member contributing US\$25 or more to the Annual Fund during the Rotary year*).
- One of only 4,500 clubs worldwide to become a **100% Foundation Giving Club** (*clubs must have achieved an average of US\$100 in per capita giving and 100 percent participation, with every dues-paying member contributing at least US\$25 to any gift designation during the Rotary year*).

Please convey our gratitude to every member of your club for their generous gifts to our Rotary Foundation. Your support enables Rotary members to tackle the world's toughest challenges, both in your community and across the globe.

Congratulations and thank you for making The Rotary Foundation a continued priority in your club.

Sincerely,

Eric Schmelling
Chief Philanthropy Officer
The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

P.S. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Rotary's Support Center at rotarysupportcenter@rotary.org or the Rotary office that provides service to your district.

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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 "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 SPONSORSHIP FORMS were recently distributed. Please approach businesses for their support! More copies can be obtained by contacting Patti Augustine. The historic event is slated for Sunday, December 31st from 6 to 9 p.m. on Courthouse Square and the surrounding downtown venues. This year is exceptionally exciting as Warren celebrates its 225th birthday!!

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN FOUNDATION BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS will meet next Wednesday, October 25th, immediately following our weekly club meeting at Trumbull Country Club.

THE 2023 INTERACT CONFERENCE will be held on November 4th at Salem Community Center.

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 9th. 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.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ted Stazak and family and Andy Bednar and family on the recent births of their granddaughters, Emma Rose and Merritt Rose!!

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CELEBRATING 100 YEARS
THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

**TODD CUTSHAW
& THE PIANO MANIACS**

*Art auction | Cash Bar | Dinner and Dessert | Dressy Casual
Attire (Formal dress not required)*

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND AT THE GRAND
RESORT. DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM

Tickets are \$75 a person OR
\$600 for a table of 8.

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**WORLD
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OCTOBER 24TH

Rotary  "Rotary in particular has inspired my own personal commitment
to get deeply involved in achieving eradication." Bill Gates

W A R R E N N R O T A R Y

TRIPLE JACKPOT



This week, the Grand Jackpot totaled \$24.
Congratulations to Daily Winner Richard Fallon!

HAPPY BUCKS



*** **Cindy Matheson** offered Happy Bucks in honor of DG Rich Tirpak, & Christine Cope and the District's first pollinator garden. She also went to see The Eagles in concert - it was a great show!

*** **Julia Wetstein** offered Happy Bucks in honor of DG Tirpak and DG-Elect Elaine Bozick. She also encouraged everyone to buy and sell ads and sponsorships for Opening Night.

*** **Andy Bednar** announced that his son and daughter-in-law have a new baby girl, Merritt Rose. Congratulations!!

*** **Scott Lewis** thanked the District Governor for visiting us.

*** **Richard Fallon** was happy to win the daily jackpot. He also recently had more than 200 Scouts attend Camp Manatoc. Unfortunately, a recent wind storm caused \$63,000 in electrical damages. They are holding work days every Saturday and volunteers are needed.

*** **Ken LaPolla** reported that the dining hall at Camp Manatoc is the largest building made of chestnut. He offered Happy Bucks for Christine Cope's efforts in getting the club involved in Operation Pollination and for the District Governor's visit. He was also happy to have his wife's family visit from San Francisco. They attended the Browns game and got to see them beat up the 49ers in person!