



The Serving Tray

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DR. ROBERT SCHNEIDER ON CRISIS IN UKRAINE - HIS MEDICAL MISSION

In Sandy Fleak's introduction, we learned that Dr. Robert Schneider, a physician for over 45 years, traveled to Ukraine on a medical mission with Global Care Force (GCF). GCF was founded in 2020 by Kansas City Rotarian Dr. Gary Morsch. The organization provides health care to areas in crisis around the world. Schneider talked about the conditions in Ukraine, where GCF medical teams hold clinics in small rural communities that have been affected by the ongoing war. In February 2025, he was deployed there for two weeks visiting over 15 villages and clinic sites. He saw over 300 patients and delivered over \$15,000 medicines and supplies. To get there he took a 12-hour train trip from Poland. Volunteers pay for their own travel, as well as the medical supplies used, with a total monthly program investment of more than \$33,000. He has plans to return there. Since 2022, more than 16,500 individuals have been served. For more information or to donate, visit globalcareforce.org.

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Announcements

- Sign up for RLI: Rotary Leadership Institute:
 - Mon. Oct. 19, & Wed. Oct. 21, 5:15 PM to 8:15 PM
- This month is Polio Plus Month. Debi will announce our Polio Plus Society Members today.
- Reminder to record volunteer hours
<https://tinyurl.com/KVRotaryVolTime>

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Dates to Remember!

Announcements

- Truman State University Parade October 24th
- Food collection on October 21, please bring applesauce
- Upcoming Programs
 - Oct 21st: Randy Smith, Polio Plus Update
 - Oct 28th: Mindy Bryant, Wreaths Across America
 - Nov 4th: Dr Vaujeet Gokhale, Dark Sky Initiative
 - Nov 11th: Jonna Lovenduski, Club Financial Report

50-50 Drawing: Chade Shorten did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$177.

Guests:

Sherry Lamberson (guest of Larry)
Tyler Davis (guest of Chade Shorten)
Scott Snyder (prospective member)
Sam Fleak (guest of Sandy)

Upcoming Programs:

Oct. 21: D-6040 Polio Plus Chair Randy Smith on Polio Plus
Oct. 28: Mindy Bryant/Wreaths Across America
Nov. 4: Dr. Vaujeet Gokhale/Dark Sky Initiatives
Nov. 11: Jonna Lovenduski/Club Financial Statement
Nov. 18: Erik McGuire/The Rotary Foundation
Nov. 25: NO MEETING (Jt. Service Club 11/24)