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And all the ships at sea . . .

Sometimes, as Rotarians, we forget Rotary International's worldwide perspective - what a huge organization and global presence our membership represents. However, when you are on a floating city joined and served by citizens from all over the world, your perspective is awakened to the "international" emphasis in our club's title.

As many of you know, Bob and I recently sailed for ten days on Oceania's Riviera. We met people from Europe, Asia, South Africa, Central and South America and many European countries. Most were cruise line employees. Many, like us, were hard-working folks in need of a break. Many passengers we met seemed to me to be "professional cruisers." I was amazed at how many people we spoke to had cruised so frequently. Where do they get the time?

Regardless, I was very interested in how these diverse cultures coexist with seeming ease for months at a time in such a limited and controlled environment. So I tried to find out. I asked questions of the crew and ultimately was directed to the Safety Officer, the Security Officer and finally, the General Manager, who shared his table with us at dinner one evening.

Of course, these folks are employees and are under contract and paid to get along with the guests and each other, but still, with all the world wide conflicts that exist, I wondered how they remain loyal and happy with the cruise line, how they stay upbeat and energetic. And I learned that the ship works hard to make that happen.

I learned that Skype and international ease of making phone calls has drastically improved shipboard morale. I learned that they have an entire social structure among employees, with exercise areas, restaurants, organized sports and games and a human resource center devoted to their well-being.

Wouldn't it be great if this microcosm could be expanded globally, so that people in leadership roles define their most important job as maintaining the well-being of those to whom they provide leadership? Does that sound a little to you like "Service Above Self?"

Once again, as a Rotarian, I think about that motto and the Four Way Test and realize that those principals are a great guide for international peace, if only the whole world would join in . . . imagine!

Programs in December:

Thanks to Ashley Steele, Michelle Wilson and Andrea Prosko and Carolyn Glaub for providing a great pre-holiday month of programs.

12/4 Ashley not only introduced us to Rev. Jim Winkler, United Methodist District Superintendent for our region, but she brought several local Methodist pastors and Urban Mission employees to hear a little history about the roots of Methodism here. He noted that long ago, when Bishop Francis Asbury visited Steubenville he reported "feeling the power of Satan in this little wicked town." Hopefully, he would see that much improvement has occurred since he was here.

12/11 The Annual Children's Christmas party was a tremendous success, culminating with a visit from Santa and gift-giving to all the children in attendance. Chairs Michelle Wilson and Andrea Prosko had help from many Rotary elves wrapping gifts and serving food so all went well as usual.

12/18 Carolyn Glaub presented two of her students who sang a Rotary song to welcome three new members to the club. Following the induction, the Show Choir from Steubenville High School performed seasonal favorites to entertain Rotary before the two week Christmas break.

January 2016 - New Programs In Store:

1/8 Ross Gallabrese will introduce Lou Gentile, our State Senator, who will tell us the State of the State.

1/15 Pete Chalfant has asked Linda Bain, Administrator of the Women's Health Center of Jefferson County, Inc. to tell us about the organization's history.

1/22 Charley Joyce will present Dr. Chuck Kokiko, Superintendent of the Jefferson County ESC, who will describe a program regarding the Utica Shale Academy, a charter school that trains high school students for jobs in the gas and oil industry. Program Director Eric Sampson may also be present.

1/29 Jim Emmerling has the program which will be announced on our web site and by e-mail. We offer Jim and his family our sincere sympathy at the loss of his father, Fritz Emmerling. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Let's hear Cory Wing it . . .



2015 is in the books!
Reflecting on our 2015
Steubenville Rotary year, I
feel great about what we
accomplished and the
fellowship we shared.

I have taken the responsibility
to pinpoint 5 Rotary Club

New Year's Resolutions for us:

1. Increase our American Flag Distribution sales to at least 100. This would create an additional \$5,000 a year for club scholarships, college scholarships, discounted club dues across the board or a variety of opportunities. I believe that social media may be the best way to advertise this, once we have an announcement on our face book page, I will ask everyone to please "like and share" the page.
2. The membership committee led by Sue Hershey has done a wonderful job inviting key leaders to meet and join our club. Due to their hard work, we have expanded our membership. I truly believe that we can reach 55-60 members in 2016. I have said and truly believe, "we may never become a club of 90-100 again, but we can become the best club of 60-70 that our community has ever seen."
3. I asked and altered the way we recruit our guest speakers and the club has responded. We have had tremendous speakers in 2015. If all members of the club just pick one week and sponsor a speaker rather than one member taking an entire month, 75% of the time we will get a better product. The fact is it is tough to get four quality speakers with one member responsible. If we all chip in and take the lead in obtaining our best speaker the results will prove themselves. Step up in 2016, fill a spot and find the best speaker you can think of. Our great results will continue.
4. Carolyn Glaub has been preparing a team to discuss a possible international project for 2016. International projects are a very important aspect of Rotary. They can be accomplished in many ways and I am sure that Carolyn and her committee will find a perfect fit. I would like to especially thank Carolyn for her singers from Big Red. Not only were they awesome, but I could not think of a better program to share while inducting new members.
5. Let's have fun in 2016. We have done a pretty good job in 2015. Rotary really is all about friendships and fun. If we didn't make great friends and have a little fun every Friday, our attendance would not be as consistently good. If you have any ideas to bring even more fun to the club, don't be bashful. Let me know.

January Birthdays:

Our New Year's babies include Jim Baber, Buzz Cattrell, Ross Gallabrese, Jerry Klinessmith, Richard Pflug, Louise Snider and Cory Wingett. Be sure to attend on January 22nd to celebrate with them!

Dates to Remember:

1 / 8 Rotary Board meets on Friday at 11:00 in the YWCA Boardroom. All are welcome. Even though it's right before a meeting, it counts as a separate make-up - - two for one!

1/8 FUS Baron Club Dinner with a panel of Pirates. See Mike Florak for specifics.

Did you know . . .

. . . That the website for Rotary make-ups on line is www.rotary.org, then search for e-clubs? Be sure Kathy gets a copy of your online make-up form. Also, don't forget to click on "My Rotary" and register. If you have problems, Kathy can help!

. . . That our December guests included visiting Rotarian Bill Cattrell plus Bob Welsh, Clint Quillen, Ed Kovach, Lisa Thomas, Angie Brown, Frank DiColantonio, Duncan Sutherland and Karen Kastner?

. . . That our 2015 raffle winners were Kyle Brown (3 times), Betsy Standardi (2 times), Shirley Prosko (2 times) Jody Glaub (2 times), Chuck Govey, Todd Phillipson, Lawrence Fletcher, Mary Alice Brandt, Kathy Musso, Louise Snider, Mike Mehalik, Elizabeth Delatore, Ashley Steele, Dan Keenan, Beth Burns, Robbie Gibbons, Sylvia Ensell, Marla Inderbitzen, Robin Flohr and Megan Pfrimmer?! Thanks to all!

. . . That Alan Hall would like to thank bell ringers Jodi Scheetz, Adam Scurti, Keith Murdock, Jim Emmerling, Michelle Wilson, Andrea Prosko, Barry Gullen, Mike Florak, Dan Keenan, Laurel McDowell, Robin Flohr, Marty Hauser and Bruce Trushel? The Salvation Army benefitted from these volunteers who all signed the sheet on the very first day it was offered.

. . . That the club is delighted to welcome three new members? Melinda Young is Steubenville City Schools superintendent and is sponsored by Charley Joyce. Joseph Edmiston is Development Director at Trinity Health System and is sponsored by Keith Murdock. Curtis Mullins is an accountant and sponsored by David D'Anniballe. Let's get them to work right away.

. . . That Robbie Gibbons has retired from his position at the YWCA? Through the generosity of this club, he was provided a cash gift on his final day on the job. Thanks to everyone who participated.

. . . That our new Sergeant-at-arms has some fining in store for us. Please take his "punishment" in the good-natured way it is intended. Bruce Trushel can really be a very funny guy! Thanks, Bruce, for your efforts.

Editorials:

Time passes. . .

Every so often someone says to me, "Aren't you retired?" I face them with a quizzical look. "Why do you ask?" That usually stops them because they don't want to say, "Because you're old" to my face, but it is what they mean.

Our Cattrell staff will flat out ask each of us "Are you staying?" Buzz and I individually respond "Yes," not because we've talked about it (although we have some), but because we can and we want to.

I love going to work (except snow days)! I get up so why not! I don't bake or love "Live with Kelli and Michael" I like seeing buildings built, remodeling accomplished and working with others. As we find young, enthusiastic, intelligent minds to do the bidding, building and completing, we are so proud as they succeed.

Bob often moans, "I want to retire." I retort, "But what would you do?" Actually, over the past few years, he has a renewed enthusiasm for work at the bank and is learning new (believe it or not) technology every day!

Tomorrow is a new challenge. Today, I cannot wait to accept it! How long will I feel this way? I really don't know, but I am so grateful to greet each new day with optimism and enthusiasm.
Happy New Year - Happy New Day!

Floods . . .

Do you know what "floods" are? On Christmas party Saturday, I got two definitions. One of the guys I see each week where I buy flowers in the Strip wore jeans that his co-workers made fun of because they were so short. I introduced them to the term "floods," which we in Toronto have used for years.

Then, following the party, one load of glasses was ready to wash. I opened the cabinet for soap and got water, water everywhere. Not so much fun as earlier! [See below]

How Fun It Was . . .

. . . for me to have assistant hostesses Julia and Ella Wingett manage the balloting for Christmas party prizes.
. . . to have Jim Emmerling drop by the afternoon of the party so I could have the first look at his amazing and award winning Christmas suit.
. . . to have Suzanne and Ken join us. It gave me two extra pairs of hands who know my kitchen and wine cellar pretty well. Thanks!
. . . to have Kathy and Lew arrive in time to help put finishing touches on the preparation before most guests arrived. Thanks!
. . . to get to have some time with Mary Sue Gallabrese and Marian Houser, which made me merry too.

. . . to eat, drink and laugh with so many great Rotarians and other friends.

When the party was over, my husband said, "We're getting too old for this, but when I overheard plans for potential contenders for our fabulous prizes (including my cousin Ann who took Buzzy's \$50 prize and told me "Just wait!"), I said, "One more time at Hargraves!" There's still plenty of wine in the cellar.

Time for some Humor:

I love to give funny t-shirts. Below are several t-shirt sayings I have or wish I had given this year:

Today is the youngest day of the rest of my life!

Even duct tape can't fix stupid, but it can muffle the sound!

I've finally reached the Wonder Years - wonder where my car is parked, wonder where I left my phone, wonder where my glasses are, wonder what day it is?

A quiet man is a thinking man.
A quiet woman is usually mad.

Have you noticed that when you put "THE" and "IRS" together is spells "THEIRS?"

Can you fix my husband? He says he's broke.

Men say that women should come with instructions. What's the point of that? Have you ever seen a man actually read the instructions?

I don't approve of political jokes . . I've seen too many of them get elected.

We can't all be a princess. Someone has to clap when I go by.

I used to be a "people-person" . . . but people ruined that for me.

Respect your elders. They graduated without the internet.

I enjoy a glass of wine each night for its health benefits. (The other glasses are for my witty comebacks and my flawless dance moves!)

The past, the present and the future walked into a bar. It was tense.

I'll never be over the hill. I'm too tired to climb it!

Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician!

I think a man with a helmet defending our country should make more money than a man with a helmet defending a football.

A paper cut is a tree's last revenge.

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New Year - New Efforts

The Raffle is back . . .

It has become a Steubenville Rotary tradition in the past few years to look forward to the weekly 50/50 drawing and the raffle. When Kathy Musso walks to the front shaking her big plastic container of raffle tickets, all of us who have a stake in the drawing get a little bit excited, and then, usually, Jody Glaub wins - well not always! These easy, fund-raising efforts help to make so many things possible.

It's Scholarship Time . . .

In the next couple of weeks, the school counselors will receive the form that students can complete to have a chance at being chosen as a Rotary Service Above Self winner. These awards are based totally on the child's service. The committee does not look at GPA or college choice or class rank. The students are evaluated strictly on their service to home, school, church and community. If you want to help, see Christine. And keep buying those 50/50 and raffle tickets to fund this project.

Golf Outing is teeing off . . .

Bruce Trushel and Kathy Musso are spearheading this new endeavor to engage the community in helping Rotary raise funds. The anticipated date is Thursday, June 16th. Please be thinking about potential team members - friends or colleagues who may be interested in a day of (hopefully) sunshine, fresh air, exercise and good sport.

A Baseball Game is up-to-bat . . .

Ross Gallabrese has several dates in mind to hold Steubenville Rotary Day or Night at PNC Park. The Pirates have made baseball a household word again throughout our area and many folks responded positively on our recent questionnaire, indicating interest in joining in an adventure to Pittsburgh to cheer on the Buccos! More information will be distributed very soon.

Some Theater may be premiering . . .

Jodi Scheetz, Carolyn Glaub and Christine

Hargrave all hope our club can go on a cultural event sometime this summer. If you have interest or an idea, please see one of them to share your thoughts.

February Programs:

2/5 Kathy Musso will introduce Karen D'Anniballe, former Rotarian, who will let us know what is available through Ambulance Services to assist the general public when help is needed.

2/12 Pete Olivito, a WVU letterman, has gotten Quincy Wilson, Asst. Dir. of Football at West Virginia University to come and speak to us. His special guest, if he is available, is Shaq Pedaway.

2/19 Laurel McDowell is organizing the annual vocational event, matching local high school students with Rotarians and other volunteers to learn more about many different professions. Her speaker is Kimberly Hahn who will discuss Ethics in Your Professional Life - a topic that would surely please Paul Harris.

2/26 TO BE ANNOUNCED. Please check the website or your e-mail for an update on this program

January 2016 - Informative:

1/8 Ross Gallabrese hosted Lou Gentile, our State Senator, who reviewed his efforts in the legislature on our behalf. He is working very hard to funnel state funds in our direction. Earlier he met with our board to discuss grant money to renovate Rotary Park.

1/15 Pete Chalfant introduced Linda Bain, Administrator of the Women's Health Center of Jefferson County, Inc. which has been serving women and girls in our area for 45 years. Formed by Dr. George Crenshaw and under the direction of Medical Director John Metcalf, the Ohio Department of Health funds the agency.

1/22 Charley Joyce presented Dr. Chuck Kokiko and Eric Sampson, administrators of the Utica Shale Academy, a charter school that trains high school students for jobs in the gas and oil industry. The program is currently in two local schools with more classrooms planned in the near future.

1/29 Jim Emmerling brought us Susie Nelson, Executive Director of the Community Foundation of the Ohio Valley. She told us of the up-coming training program the Foundation offers to area students. Susie is President of Wheeling Rotary.

Let's hear Cory Wing it . . .



This month I would like to review our Flag Rental Fund Raiser. It is a good feeling to know that spring is just around the corner and we will be active with this program very soon.

This Steubenville Rotary Club project gives area residents a chance to display their patriotic spirit and love for our country. When you order your flag, we will insert a plastic sleeve in your front yard. On each of the five holidays, a 3x5 flag will be placed on your property for approximately five days.

The holidays are Memorial Day, Flag Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Veterans Day. The flags, poles and inserts remain the property of the Rotary Club. Funds raised will be used to support local Rotary programs such as literacy, education, health and wellness. The annual rental per flag is \$50.00.

To get our operational feet wet in 2015, our club members were the only advertising target market. In 2015, we learned to crawl. Moving forward, it is time to walk and raise some serious money. We will be advertising the program (cost efficiently) very soon.

How can you help? When you see an article or ad posted on Facebook, like and share it. Take a picture of this article and text it to your contacts. Make copies of this page and share it with co-workers by posting it at work.

I truly believe this can be our primary and sole focus fund raiser moving forward. We simply need a grassroots effort to share the information. Thanks, in advance, for your help. Let's all wave the flag!

I also wanted to pass along a special thank you to the Hargraves for creating a great prize at our annual Christmas Party. I was the winner of an overnight stay in Pittsburgh at the William Penn. My wife and children had a wonderful time on our visit. We even received a special tour of the facility, including historical details. The bad news for me is that my daughters want their weddings there. Maybe the Hargraves can arrange for the complimentary reception in twenty years at that Rotary Christmas party. Have a wonderful February!

Cory's History Lessons in Jan.:

Jan. 7, 1999 - Bill Clinton was impeached.

Jan. 8, 2007 - The I-phone was invented.

Jan. 15, 1929 - Martin Luther King was born.

Jan. 22, 1890 - UMW was founded in Columbus.

Jan. 21, 1979 - Steelers beat Dallas 34-31 in the Super Bowl. (Thanks, Mike Florak, for the quiz.)

February Birthdays:

Our Leap Year celebration of birthdays includes former member Suzanne Kresser, Don Richardson, William Rhinehart and Jodi Scheetz.

Dates to Remember:

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. . . That our January guests included visiting Rotarian Susie Nelson, plus Frankie DiCarlantonio, George Ash, Dino Orsatti, Elizabeth Goodwin, Greg Metcalf, Tommy Beynon, Lisa Moore and JVS Counselor Shelly Wagner with Megan Stewart and Sarah Wagner and from EGCC Bill Verlest with students Zach Jackson, Rose Wolter and Simone Dreyer?

. . . That our 2016 raffle is about to begin? Remember, there are two monthly drawings for \$50 plus \$100 drawings in December, Tax Day (April), President's Choice (last Friday of June) and Halloween (October). Each ticket has 28 chances to win. Last year the winners were a great mix of club members, family members and community supporters. Get additional tickets from Kathy.

. . . That we will be welcoming two new members in February? Dr. George Ash, sponsored by Dr. Charles Joyce and Frank DiCarlantonio, sponsored by Mike Florak, will join as members in a couple of weeks. We welcome them and can't wait to put them to work. Special thanks to the membership committee led by Sue Hershey for inviting community leaders to come and join our ranks.

. . . That we are sorry to lose Jerry Klinesmith as a member?

. . . That we were introduced to Cheryl Johnson, newest and youngest-ever director of the YWCA? She is hoping to provide a questionnaire to the membership to help her plan for the "care-and-feeding" of Rotarians. Welcome, Cheryl.

. . . That we are so pleased to see Gary Cain and Richard Pflug recovering well from some health issues? We are delighted to have them back in the fold.

. . . That you can still get a questionnaire from Kathy? It asks not only food likes/dislikes, but for comments on programs, projects, fund raisers and the club operation in general.

Editorials:

How do I love thee - let me count the ways . . .

How do you express your love - hugs, kisses, flowers, dinner out, champagne, money? I have used all these methods and they work. But what tells me that Bob loves me are the roses that arrive way before Valentine's Day so I can enjoy them all week, the funny card and serious card that have become our newest "special occasion" tradition, but mostly, I know by the daily greeting I get as we wake up each day. Bob says, "Good morning. I love you."

Although I appreciate all the other ways that count, that morning greeting is #1 when I "count the ways."

I love you, too, Bob. Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Time for some Humor:

Thanks to Kathy Musso, we have these timely and funny answers to an age-old question.

So, why did the chicken cross the road?

SARAH PALIN: The chicken crossed the road because, gosh-darn it, he's a maverick!

BARACK OBAMA: Let me be perfectly clear. If the chickens like their eggs, they can keep their eggs. No chicken will be required to cross the road to surrender her eggs. Period.

JOHN McCAIN: My friends, the chicken crossed the road because he recognized the need to engage in cooperation and dialogue with all the chickens on the other side of the road.

HILARY CLINTON: What difference at this point does it make why the chicken crossed the road?

GEORGE W. BUSH: We don't really care why the chicken crossed the road. We just want to know if the chicken is on our side of the road or not. The chicken is either with us or against us. There is no middle ground here.

DICK CHENEY: Where's my gun?

BILL CLINTON: I did not cross the road with that chicken.

AL GORE: I invented the chicken . . . and the road.

JOHN KERRY: Although I voted to let the chicken cross the road, I am now against it! It was the wrong road to cross. I was misled about the chicken's intentions. I am not for it now, and will remain against it.

AL SHARPTON: Why are all the chickens white?

DR. PHIL: The problem we have here is that this chicken won't realize that he must first deal with the problem on this side of the road before it goes after the problem on the other side of the road. What we need to do is help him realize how stupid he is acting by not taking on this side's problems before adding new ones.

OPRAH: Well, I understand that the chicken is having problems, which is why he wants to cross the road so badly. So instead of having the chicken learn from his mistakes and take falls, which is a part of life, I'm going to give this chicken a NEW CAR so that he can just drive across the road and not live his life like the rest of the chickens.

ANDERSON COOPER: We have reason to believe there is a chicken, but we have not yet been allowed to have access to the other side of the road.

NANCY GRACE: That chicken crossed the road because he's guilty! You can see it in his eyes and the way he walks.

PAT BUCHANAN: To steal the job of a decent, hardworking American.

MARTHA STEWART: No one called me to warn me which way the chicken was going. I had a standing order at the Farmer's Market to sell my eggs when the price dropped to a certain level. No little bird gave me any insider information.

DR. SEUSS: Did the chicken cross the road? Did he cross it with a toad? Yes, the chicken crossed the road, but why it crossed I've not been told.

ERNEST HEMINGWAY: To die in the rain, alone.

GRANDPA: In my day, we didn't ask why the chicken crossed the road. Somebody told us the chicken crossed the road, and that was good enough for us.

DONALD TRUMP: We should build a wall so the chicken can't cross the road.

BARBARA WALTERS: Isn't that interesting? In a few moments, we will be listening to the chicken tell, for the first time, the heartwarming story of how it experienced a serious case of molting, and went on to accomplish its lifelong dream of crossing the road.

ARISTOTLE: It is the nature of chickens to cross the road.

BILL GATES: I have just released eChicken2014, which will not only cross roads, but will lay eggs, file your important documents and balance your checkbook. Internet Explorer is an integral part of eChicken2014. This new platform is much more stable and will never reboot.

ALBERT EINSTEIN: Did the chicken really cross the road, or did the road move beneath the chicken?

COLONEL SANDERS: Did I miss one?

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Centennial Party Time

The Foundation will be 100 in 2017. . .

Arch Klumph's proposal to the 1917 Rotary Convention to begin a Foundation will be the focus of next year's District Governors to prepare to celebrate Rotarian Klumph's very successful idea. The incoming DG's met in San Diego in January and were encouraged to follow five steps to bring awareness and excitement to this 100 year anniversary. 1) Dedicate club meeting time to Foundation topics; 2) Participate in a global or district grant and dedicate the work to the centennial; 3) Challenge members to increase their giving and seek more Paul Harris Fellows; 4) Start planning a community event to bring awareness to our local Rotary and the Foundation's work; and 5) Download the centennial promotion tool kit.

As we meet our new DG and begin President-elect Mike Florak's year, this challenge will provide direction, focus and guidance to improve and promote the service our club now provides and to increase it here and worldwide.

Do As I Do, Not As I Say . . .

In a thoughtful letter to us in this month's **Rotarian**, President Ravi describes an occasion when he was asked (at home in Sri Lanka) to speak at an Interact club. He admits preparing as carefully to speak to youth as to adults and was obviously pleased with his talk's content.

When the meeting was over, he was waiting for his ride and stepped aside out of the bright sunshine to wait. Several of the children came out of the school and he overheard many of their comments, to his surprise. They were not discussing his stories of service, his lessons to be learned or even his humor. They were discussing what he looked like. He remarks, "Whatever they learned from me that day, I learned far more. I learned the lessons we teach by example are far more powerful than those we teach with words . . . in all we think, say and do." Sound familiar?

February Programs:

2/5 Former member Karen D'Anniballe was introduced by Kathy Musso. Karen spoke of the multiple companies that serve our area from her family's enterprises, including Ambulance Services, Jefferson Security and Checker Transportation. The family focus is on training and safety for the community's well-being.

2/12 Pete Olivito, a WVU letterman, introduced Quincy Wilson, Assistant Director of Football at West Virginia University and Weirton native. Quincy entertained us with his personal football history from his youth to the present day with a wonderful mix of humor, humility and pride.

2/19 Sharing her employment expertise again, Laurel McDowell has organized an experience in the workplace for over 40 of our local youth. Her speaker, Kimberly Hahn, stressed integrity in the work place. Her message not only underscored its importance to the young people, but to Rotarians, as well.

2/26 Adam Scurti introduced Steven Hilliard, newly hired Executive Director of the Wheeling Park System, which encompasses both Wheeling Park and Oglebay Park. He spoke enthusiastically about all the upgrades planned for Oglebay and noted that (as he is new to the area) our valley has an unusual and engaged attachment to these natural resources we have enjoyed for so long.

March Programs - 3 wks:

3/4 Alan Hall will present Dr. Michael Scarpone and Justin Baker, representing Trinity's Sports Medicine program. They will describe the preventive and remedial care available in this growing field.

3/11 Alan is a history buff, so he is bringing Dr. John Holmes, the valley's own Baron von Steuben. Since the last time he visited, several years ago, Dr. Holmes has continued to research his role and will reveal newly found information about the namesake of our city.

3/18 President-elect Mike Florak will be presenting Professor Joe Zoric from Franciscan to discuss economics with us.

3/25 GOOD FRIDAY! Please join the YWCA at 11:00 for the Annual Good Friday Brunch. Following a brief worship service, lunch will be served. RSVP requested. Fee is \$8.00.

Let's hear Cory Wing it . . .



I love the message that fellow Rotarians are delivering locally. One particular example, as you travel down Sunset Boulevard, you will notice a billboard. The billboard simply states, "Love where you live." Marty Hauser and Jim Emmerling have sponsored this message that all Jefferson County Citizens need to embrace.

I am an import. I moved here from Athens, Ohio twenty years ago chasing my wife to her hometown of Weirton, West Virginia. I practice my business in Steubenville. I love the area. I feel strongly that it is a great place to live, to run a business and to raise a family. The fact is, it will be a long time until there is a prominent company in town that may employ 10,000 people. Until that time comes, we can make this the best small hometown (of 15,000-20,000 people) possible.

Here is a list of some of its special attributes:

1. We have access to one of the finest large cities in the US just 45 minutes and four lanes away!
2. We have a wonderful educational system with thriving public and affordable private school options.
3. We have a university that compared to a stock is a BUY with a RISING DIVIDEND. In addition, Franciscan has nearly independently rebuilt the north end of town.
4. We have a tremendous college in Eastern Gateway (another BUY with RISING DIVIDEND), that supports every community initiative and helps lift up Jefferson County youth every day to a better life.
5. We have the best health care that we could even want with Trinity in our neighborhoods. Let's not forget all the great paying jobs they provide as well.
6. We have friends that donate thousands of dollars annually to support those in need.
7. We have mid-sized businesses and trades that have built the community we call home.
8. We have wonderful people, many of whom practice what they preach, wanting and helping to see the community succeed.
9. We have a great Rotary Club!

I could go on and on, but I will close by commending Rotarians Emmerling and Hauser and so many others from our club who spread good news about Steubenville and Jefferson County and help to keep us a place to "love where we live."

Cory Wingett

March Birthdays:

Roaring like the lions of March will be birthday boys Frank DiCarlantonio, Alan Hall, Bob Hargrave, Charley Joyce and Dick McGowan. Let's hope the celebration goes out like a lamb!

Thanks to Ross and Keith for roasting our birthday folks each month! Great job,

Dates to Remember:

3/11 11:00 AM - Rotary Board meeting. All are welcome to attend.

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. . . That we welcome George Ash, sponsored by Charley Joyce and Frank DiCarlantonio, sponsored by Mike Florak, as our club's newest members and very reliable attenders? Cory's moving induction ceremony for them was held on February 12th.

. . . That we offer the club's hearty congratulations to Pete Olivito for his membership of 50 years in the Jefferson County Bar Association?

. . . That we had several 50/50 winners in February, including Ross Gallabrese, Sue Hershey, Kyle Brown and Rich Delatore? Jody Glaub won an "Enjoy" book!

. . . That there have been some changes in the food service at the YWCA? If you want to share your opinions with the club, Kathy has questionnaires which give you the opportunity to let the "Y" know how you assess their service to us.

Editorial:

It's a small world . . . after all!

Just last week I took a five-day journey into Walt Disney World with my two children and two grandgirls. I love these people like crazy, but there is a reason, at this age, that everyone has a home to go to. As "family" as we are, we are very different from each other. I consider myself to be a flexible go-with-the-flow kind of gal, but . . . have you heard the term "herding cats?"

We were very organized, with my daughter doing nearly a year's worth of planning, which I then typed into a daily - more like hourly - schedule. (Bob and Glaubs know what I do when traveling). This is to let everyone know what is expected when, so we don't miss a thing!

As we approached our first "magical" day, I learned that no one - not even the planner - had read the schedule I dutifully provided several days ahead for appropriate study time. Of course, they were all miffed that our airplane left at 5:00 AM, but it gave us a whole extra day. We arrived on time and headed for our adventure - a whole week together - all together - just two bedrooms and a fold-out couch! It was our small world . . . after all!

Then there was unpacking/packing. I am tidy perhaps to a fault with adequate attire for the week. Two days in, these people with me with bags and bags of "stuff" were using the washing machine! Whatever for?

Time to head for the park and our first character breakfast, but three of my four "cats" were still sleeping and the other had disappeared. Yikes! The schedule said leave for Norway at 7:30 for an 8:00 AM "magical" breakfast. Instead I was pushing, pulling, prodding to get there half an hour late.

Two days in we had established some guidelines and were beginning to plan the work and work the plan, as expected, when all of a sudden, the young girls wanted to go swimming! Perusing the plan, you would not see a single second allotted for swimming time. I had checked the weather. It was supposed to be in the 60's. There was no swim time. And yet, they went - with parental permission - but not with grandparental permission.

By the last park day, in Magic Kingdom, we had found our way to be in Disney World together following the docket and doing all we had hoped to do including the fireworks beginning on cue as we walked out of dinner at the castle. Then, amid tears we left each other and headed home to our own "small worlds" where we all slept happily ever after. . . after all!

Time for some Humor:

I saw the article below in the Sunday *Pittsburgh Post Gazette*. Since I have neighbors and good friends currently in Florida and since recently Bob and I made a long weekend jaunt there and I have just been there, I thought I would share this amusing article entitled "Snowbirds flocking together."

To avoid wicked winter weather, I'm sitting in the airport holding a book and grazing on junk food with the other livestock waiting for our flight to be delayed, when the weirdest thing happens - it arrives on time.

Of course you wouldn't know this if you had to rely on the announcement which is delivered at maximum volume over

an annoying intercom by an over-caffeinated airline speed talker.

We are herded onto the plane, strapped into seats, subjected to several more unintelligible announcements, mollified with cheap snacks and three hours later, we touch down in summer.

Florida is a wondrous land of palm trees, exotic flowers, beautiful beaches, warm breezes and snowbirds. Let me just say upfront that I am not a snowbird.

I have neither the tenure nor the temperament to be a bird of this feather. Snowbirds flock to Florida for the express purpose of avoiding winter. Snowbirds are from the chicken family.

I am not here to beat winter as much as mitigate it. Thus, I am a snowbirder, taking my short stay as an opportunity to view the northern species up close in its adopted habitat.

Florida has a love/hate relationship with these birds, sort of a tolerate/need. More than 700,000 snowbirds roost in Florida each winter, boosting the economy and creating jobs.

The tradeoff for year-round residents is that the migration requires them to adapt to the snowbirds' pushy and peculiar behaviors. Age is a factor!

While snowbirds are from the chicken family, they are not the spring chicken variety. The average age is 70. Also, three fourths are married and thus can be identified by a distinct call, that sounds a lot like bickering.

In terms of plumage, the snowbird is often hard to distinguish from the natives, except when the weather turns cold.

In the land of Florida, cold is temperatures in the 50's with temperatures in the 40's considered bitter cold. When the thermometer dips, the locals don knit hat, gloves and heavy jackets. In contrast, the snowbirds gather at the pools in shorts and T's and wonder where everyone is!

One last item on plumage. In the week I was there I did not see one snowbird of the "Miami Beach" genus, leading me to conclude that their look - you know, the white shoes with a white matching belt - may be extinct.

Given that the average snowbird is retired, it means he/she has a lot of time to kill and likes to be out and about. This usually involves getting behind the wheel of a car. This can be, well, unnerving.

Older drivers do not feel a need for speed. They also do not necessarily feel a need to turn off a signal light, check behind when backing up or accelerate when the light has changed.

The Florida motor vehicle department offers this advice to snowbirds in its handbook:

"Older drivers should avoid risky driving times: dusk, dawn and nighttime; bad weather; rush hour traffic, fast paced highways." Not what one might call an extended window of opportunity.

In terms of feeding, the snowbird is an early bird and is often seen taking advantage of the pre-lunch lunch and pre-blue-plate blue-plate special.

One final observation: Snowbirds heading south look a lot more chipper than snowbirds returning north.

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A President's Story

RI President Ravi tells stories in his monthly message. This month, he highlights a memory of Mother Teresa told by an airline executive.

The gentlemen came to where Mother Teresa was living. A nun answered the door and asked for her. The nun sent him to where she was in the back of the house, cleaning toilets. He went to her. Even in his elegant suit, she assumed he was a volunteer, gave him a brush and a lecture on toilet cleaning. She moved on to her next task. After completing the assigned task, he asked to speak to her to deliver her some airline tickets.

He told the story often, explaining that "those 20 minutes spent cleaning toilets had filled him with the greatest joy he had ever known - because by putting his hand to Mother Teresa's work, he became part of that work. For those 20 minutes, he cared for the sick just as she did: with his own hands, his own sweat." Pres. Ravi reminds us that "We can do the work that others will not with our hands, our hearts, our sweat, our devotion - knowing that what we do is the most important work in the world."

Another highlight of *The Rotarian* this month is an article about how, under this RI President, the RI Board functions. His goal was to make the annual meeting "strategic and informative" instead of wasting time on administrative matters. He was successful in his goal. In three days, the board reviewed 17 committee reports and made 68 decisions. Today paper ballots and thick binders have been replaced by iPads and electronic tallying.

On pages 40 and 41, you can see a photo of the board members (identified by numbers below the photo). It includes a picture of President-elect John Germ of Chattanooga, Tenn. We will be following his selection of them and slogan next month.

A final suggestion is for you to read the column on page 27 ff. Its focus is on the importance of "conversation." Let me know what you think.

[Editor's Note: Just before going to print with this edition of the *Contact*, I learned of the death of Jim Emmerling's uncle James J. Collins. We send our prayers and sympathy to the Emmerling family.]

February Programs:

4/1 Jodi Scheetz will present Craig White, Park Manager of the Grandview Park in Moundsville, WV. She is helping us prepare for spring and summer recreation opportunities.

4/8 Christine and Bob Hargrave will introduce you to a member of their Friday Family. Brent Glashan is the General Manager of the William Penn Hotel, which has recently celebrated its 100th birthday. He will highlight some of the history of the hotel and describe how it has transitioned to his cutting edge success today while maintaining its elegance.

4/15 The annual Service Above Self Awards to high school students will be given. Thanks to the committee for reviewing the 47 applications. You will have a chance to hear from each of the selected students.

4/22 - Suzanne Kresser and Therese and Mark Nelson will discuss the successful launch of the Nutcracker Village at Old Fort Steuben last December and will share plans for this coming Advent expansion.

4/28 - James Mavromatis has been on the job for just over a month and will tell us what he has found that is working well for the city and how he plans to improve things that need a bit of tweaking.

March Programs - Thanks!

3/4 Alan Hall introduced Dr. Justin Baker, whose information about the brain, concussions and treatment was interesting and very hopeful. His obvious pride in Trinity's cutting edge position in this treatment and care reminds us of what a treasure this facility is in our community.

3/11 Actor Alan always enjoys his portrayal of a colonial at the Old Fort Steuben Festival. His friend, Baron Von Steuben has delighted us for years in putting a face and personality to our namesake. The fact that he continues to develop and reformulate that personality is a treat.

3/18 Mike Florak introduced Professor Joe Zoric to share the economic impact Franciscan's students, staff, parents and visitors on the local economy. With the multiplier he used, Zoric indicated that \$320 million (or 19%) of the local economy is derived from FUS.

3/25 GOOD FRIDAY! Adam Scurti attended the event and reported that the service was very moving to a good Catholic lad and that the food was excellent. Well done, YWCA.

Let's hear Cory Wing it . . .



No April Fool's joke, spring training is over and the Pirates opening day is this weekend, on April 2nd against the St. Louis Cardinals in

Pittsburgh. Let's keep another successful season in mind, hoping a true five-game series awaits us in the post-season. I don't want any more One-game Wildcard situations, as have so recently nipped us in the behind.

It is an absolute pleasure to welcome our newest Rotary members. I feel certain that Frank and George will be great Rotarians and help us to achieve "Service Above Self." In my final three months as President, I would like to make a final push for just a couple more new members. As you are carrying on with your busy business day or social events, please keep Rotary membership in mind. If you speak with someone that may share our ideals, please let me know. We will handle the rest!

As we enter the spring and summer season please do not hesitate to let us know if you have a central location at your office or place of employment to advertise our Flag Program. I feel as if we are ready to take the next step and try to grow to over 100 or 200 memberships. Please visit our Facebook page and share and "like" the flag program's posts. With a little creativity we can spread the word and create our best fund raiser for years to come. Not only that, but our community we present the pride we feel in our flag and the freedoms and privileges it represents.

Thank you to all who chip in and make our Rotary the best it can be. Without the core of special members we would truly be lost. As you see these volunteers in action, please take a moment to thank them for all they do for our club. If you find you have a few volunteer moments available to you, please let me know. We will find you a perfect fit for your talents in service.

Cory Wingett

Cory's Recent Bits of History:

On March 4, Cory did not present any history. Instead he told a couple of jokes. The club consensus is that Cory should stick to history.

On March 18, 1852, Wells Fargo started business.
On March 18, 1908, March Madness was coined.

April Birthdays:

Keith was in rare form for our March celebrants. Thanks Keith!

In April, be on hand to sing to Christine Hargrave, Greg McDonnell, Mike Mehalik and Andrea ?

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6/16 Rotary Golf Outing at Spring Hills - more to come

?/16 Rotary at PNC Park - details to follow

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. . . Added to our 50/50 winners list for March are Laurel McDowell and Sue Hershey. Sue is proof that the tickets go back into the plastic jug.

. . . That we offer condolences from the club to Patricia Fletcher, who lost her brother James Mayo after a long illness and to Andrea Hale, who lost her mother Shirley Prosko quite suddenly this past week.

. . . That it is soon time to renew your flag subscription and to consider purchasing more than one or encouraging your neighbors and relatives to invest in this patriotic and on-going fund raiser by our club. Just \$50/year provides both flag, set-up and removal during appropriate holidays..

. . . That we had a few 50/50 winners in the short (on Fridays) month of March. They are Gary Cain and Pete Olivito.

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March 1, 2016

Editorial: *Look up! You may be surprised at what you see!*

In the opening article of this month's newsletter, I referred to a column in the newest *Rotarian* about our eating and dinner habits. It is another example that underscores my recent rantings about behavior (and misbehavior) in the current social environment.

As you know, I am appalled at the "shorthand" used in e-mail and especially Twitter. I am worried that the current generation will never learn proper, well thought-out conversation and that the older generation, given our mental decline, will also forget how to talk to one another. I am concerned that no generation - old or young - will soon be able to write an intelligent letter, with proper grammar and spelling.

Instead, everyone has his or her head bent over a cell phone, tapping mindless stuff to everyone and anyone. It is way too easy to text, rather than talk. And you can get away with so much more in a text with fewer (that you know of - or that you care about) repercussions.

But we should know and care about how our thoughts and opinions affect our friends and family - even if we could care less about perfect strangers who happen upon much of what we "think, say or do."

In my opinion, it is not the Rotarian way. Thoughtful discourse was part of the Paul Harris Plan. He was lonely, trying to make new, like-minded friends. He thought weekly face-to-face conversation was worthwhile in creating an environment of moral, ethical, business and friendly support to others.

If you have been to a restaurant lately, I would guess you have seen at least 30% of the people pecking away at a cell phone. Here at Steubenville Rotary, that Friday afternoon luncheon is an oasis of intelligent conversation longed for after a week of so much stress, pressure and electronic relationships. I love that there is a fine if your cell phone rings. I love to have a carefree, happy chat with friends - or spend some serious moments with a fellow Rotarian who has a more significant concern.

We have just experienced Easter, a time when families gather to celebrate resurrection, the earth's spring rebirth and the hope that pops from the ground, as do yellow daffodils and multi-colored tulips (except in our yard with all those deer). I wonder how many of the people at your table had an electronic companion with them.

I hope that you agree with me that we are never going to outgrow the need to really talk to each other, to write a little note of thanks or support. I hope you will try to spend more time looking up than down. Truthfully, it's better for your posture - and you will see so many more smiles!

Time for some Humor:

A Few Good Lines - (at the right time)

We hang petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office. (Aesop - fable author)

Those who are too smart to engage in politics are punished by being governed by those who are dumber. (Plato)

Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river. (Nikita Krushchev)

When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it. (Quote from "Clarence Darrow for the Defense" by I. Stone)

Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel. (John Quinton, actor)

Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other. (Oscar Ameringer)

A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country. (Texas Guinan, 19th century business man)

I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians. (Charles de Gaulle)

A Few Other Notable Quotes:

America is the only country where a significant proportion of the population believes that professional wrestling is real, but the moon landing was fake. (David Letterman)

When a man opens a car door for his wife, it's either a new car or a new wife. (Prince Philip)

Wood burns faster when you have to cut and chop it yourself. (Harrison Ford)

The best cure for sea sickness is to sit under a tree. (Spike Milligan)

Lawyers believe that a man is innocent until proven broke. (Robin Hall)

Home cooking: Where many a man thinks his wife is. (Jimmy Durante)

As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder. (John Glenn)

The first piece of luggage on the carousel never belongs to anyone. (George Roberts)

If God had intended us to fly, he would have made it easier to get to the airport. (Jonathan Winters)

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Rotary's Life Blood - Programs

The Club was informed this week that our President Elect, Mike Florak, has decided to continue filling our program schedule by one program per Rotarian. Bob Hargrave describes the presidency of Rotary as a "benevolent dictatorship" - the President gets to choose. So it is incumbent on each of us members to get enthusiastically behind Mike's choice and embrace our "one shot" at providing the program on a Friday as a very serious matter. As programs go, so goes a Rotary club.

Once you have chosen your date (or been assigned it), start thinking about what you would most like to hear as a Rotarian sitting there on any given Friday. Get creative! What captures your mind, your interest, your passion? What stimulates your thinking? What feeds your soul? How do you want to help expand our club's knowledge and horizons?

Take a look in the newspaper to see if someone is coming to town who would be intriguing and informative to the club. Pay attention to local (and not so local) theater and entertainment. Watch for seasonal experiences. Be thoughtful, wise and creative. Be sure to check with others within weeks of your program to avoid repetition.

Remember that good programs are the strongest means of intriguing, engaging and sustaining memberships. Our club, like all others in today's busy society, needs to attract new members and retain the current ones.

There are a few other "do's and don't's" that are traditions in Rotary. Fall of 2016, as we all know, is going to be very political. According to our club's history, no program can be a political campaign speech. [NOTE: In the April 2016 *Rotarian*, there was an interesting article on page 23 about Rotary being nonpartisan and should that make us nonpolitical? It describes the historical background of this choice.]

Another "don't" is promoting a business for profit. It is fine to inform about an interesting business, to learn about an owner's goals and plans, but it is not to be a "commercial" for any business.

Finally, as you sit as host, introducer and program chair for your week, imagine the club's interest and questions, the club's entertainment and enjoyment.

As my first grade teacher used to say, "Put on your thinking cap." Work at "your" week. Be the Rotarian who draws the most members because of the announced program you are sharing. Think "Quincy Wilson!" How high is that bar set for us?

April's Varied Programs:

4/1 Jodi Scheetz introduced us to Craig White, Park Manager of the Grandvue Park in Moundsville, WV. He enthusiastically described the many hale and hearty opportunities for outdoor fun that exist so near by.

4/8 Christine and Bob Hargrave presented Brent Glashan, the General Manager of the William Penn Hotel, which has recently celebrated its 100th birthday. His stories of the hotel, then and now, and some fun facts he shared about its operation and personnel were fascinating. [Ed. Note: I have shared some of the info with hotel employees who had no idea their highest costing commodity was bacon.]

4/15 The 16th Annual Service Above Self Awards to high school students were awarded to nine students, who visited with family and school personnel in attendance. Their thoughtful responses to questions about service were inspiring and uplifting.

4/22 - Suzanne Kresser and Therese and Mark Nelson talked about the successful launch of the Nutcracker Village at Old Fort Steuben last December. We learned that the Figures are styrofoam, not wood, and that the Advent Village, as well as the nutcrackers will be available through late November and in December of 2016.

4/28 - James Mavromatis, 60+ day City Manager of Steubenville, seized on the Four-Way Test as his outline for how he hopes to make positive and rapid change for making our city better, stronger and safer. Much of our negative reputation is our own perception. He aims to change that by telling the "truth," being "fair to all," "building good will" and creating programs that will be "beneficial" to all our citizens.

May is on the way!

5/6 Alexis Fitzgerald, Mgr. of the Animal Rescue League Shelter and Wildlife Center of Pittsburgh will tell us how this vital program benefits animals and people too. Marty Hauser has secured this speaker

5/13 Rosalie Barsotti, recently retired Director of Human Resources for Westinghouse-Asia, will tell us of her two-year adventure living and working with employees half way around the world. Buzz Cattrell is program chair.

5/20 In the absence of Greg McDonnell, Kathy Musso will be announcing the program. This is also the day that Kate Dodds will be inducted as a new member.

5/27 Kyle Brown will present representatives of the Mark West companies, who will explain what is going on throughout Harrison and the west end of Jefferson Counties.

Let's hear Cory Wing it . . .



May is upon us and our spring is flying by. It is nice to have the Penguins playing hockey and the Pirates tied a club record for wins in April.

Mike Florak is almost up to bat as our President and the Changing of the Guard (our annual installation) will be here before we all know it. I have truly enjoyed the last year being your Rotary President. I hope the club has enjoyed the slight adjustments, my traditions, during this past year. I know Mike will be a great president. I am excited for him to have the experience of being Steubenville Rotary's leader.

With a simple "Google" search, here are some facts you may not know about our next President. Mike is the Executive Director of Community Relations at Franciscan University. Over the past 19 years, he has taught communication courses at Waynesburg University, Youngstown State, Penn State Shenango and Eastern Gateway Community College. After earning a baseball scholarship to Ohio University and being drafted by the Seattle Mariners, Mike went on to coach four different college baseball teams. He achieved recognition throughout the region as the head baseball coach at Youngstown State for nine years, where his team was Horizon League champion and runner-up. Two of his teams had the highest team GPA's in the entire league. He has coached 35 players who have signed professional baseball contracts. In 2005, his book, *Healthier Than Normal*, was published.

As we all know, Mike is married to his wife Annie and they are the proud parents of Isaac. I had the privilege of making Isaac's acquaintance at last year's Steubenville Christmas Parade. I feel fortunate to have gotten to know Mike well over the past five years and think he's awesome. I look forward to his leadership next year and will be there to lend a hand.

Cory Wingett

Cory's Recent Bits of History:

April 1, 1500 - Pranksters began their antics as April Fool's Day was born.
April 8, 1974 - Hank Aaron hit 715th home run.
April 22, 1970 - 1st Earth Day
April 23, 1564 - William Shakespeare was born.
April 29, 2004 - National WWII Vets Memorial opened in Washington, DC

May Birthdays:

Ross's jokes rivaled some of Bob Lane's from days gone by. Thanks, Ross, for making us smile.

Let's celebrate May with Kyle Brown, Joseph Edmiston, Laurel McDowell and Kathy Musso.

Dates to Remember:

6/4 Brooke Hills Play House presentation of "On Golden Pond" starring Bob Lane - 8 PM.

6/10 Rotary Board meets at 11:00 - Don't forget that this counts as a make-up meeting.

6/16 Rotary Golf Outing at Spring Hills - Everyone should have received a flyer.

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. . . That our 2016 raffle is underway. Have you turned in your tickets and money? ***You cannot win if your tickets are not in the container!*** Remember, even if you win, your ticket goes back in for another chance at winning! This month, Rich Delatore's grandson won \$100 for tax day, Marty Hauser won \$50 and Laurel McDowell won two tickets to the Speaker Series.

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. . . That the golf outing planning team is seeking players and workers for the event planned for Thursday, June 16th at Spring Hills Golf Club? Please see Kathy or Bruce to volunteer or register your team.

. . . That a Club group may go to Brooke Hills to see Bob Lane perform on June 4th. See Christine if interested.

Editorial: *The land of plenty . . has plenty of land!*

Bob and I flew to California last Saturday from Pittsburgh to Chicago, to Phoenix to Sacramento. That covers a lot of "ground" by air. When you look down, there are acres and acres, miles and miles of open spaces!" Truly, hardly a road is cut through the areas you see from the sky.

As we were flying, I began to think about this whole immigration issue (legal, that is) and had a bit of an epiphany, like a light shining geographically on the country's offer to "give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to be free."

There is much of the USA that can benefit from those yearning to be free. But the promise today has changed to "yearning to live free." Living free is not freedom. Being free is! You work, you earn, you dream, you buy, you build. You are free here to work as hard as you want to make dreams come true for you and your family, and to install in your children that they are free to do, but they are not free to be!

We had a great time in California's Napa Valley. Most of you know we love good wine, went to wine country and had the freedom to purchase some fine bottles produced by others who were free to work hard, farm, build a business - a niche - large or small and let others freely consume their wares at a price they can get (some excessive, some not, but that's our system).

The country from the air on Thursday's return was just as desolate and expansive. From Sacramento to Dallas/Fort Worth to Chicago to Pittsburgh to Columbus (a hiccup which had Bob driving late into the night across Route 22 to home), we covered a great deal of unoccupied ground.

Again, I was struck by how much of the land is full of the same potential that settlers found hundreds of years ago. That potential was developed by immigrants, hard-working innovators who recognized this wilderness as a land of opportunity for them. Their willingness to develop the potential is what made this country great, built this country's foundation on work and reward.

The word "immigrant" has taken on a connotation that is negative. The word "legal" becomes key in removing that negative reaction. Our country as we know it would not exist were it not for the people who came from around the globe to settle it, develop it and make it ultimately the powerful presence of "freedom" that each of us "yearns" to have.

How the governmental and political processes deal with the "immigration" problems remain to be seen. But from what I observed last week, we are still a nation with much development potential and room for those who are "yearning to be free."

Time for some Humor:

What a delight to have Dick McGowan come to a meeting and assist me with some humor! Thanks so much Dick!

A voter told a candidate, "I wouldn't vote for you if you were St. Peter himself."

"If I was St. Peter," the candidate replied, "you wouldn't be in my district."

A party guest was droning on about his trip to the Swiss Alps. At one point, he remarked, "There I stood, with the abyss yawning before me."

"Tell me," one bored listener interjected. "Was it already yawning when you got there?"

[Speaking of golf . . .] A young man who was an avid golfer had some time to spare one afternoon. He figured if he played fast, he could get in a quick nine holes before he had to head for home. As he was about to tee off, an old gentleman shuffled onto the tee and asked if he could accompany the young man, as he was golfing alone. Unable to say no, the golfer allowed the older man to join him.

To his surprise, the old man played fairly quickly. Finally they reached the ninth fairway, and the young man saw a large pine tree right in front of his ball, directly between it and the green. After several minutes of debating how to hit the shot, the old man finally said, "You know, when I was your age, I'd hit the ball right over that tree."

With that challenge placed before him, the young man swung hard, hit the ball smack into the top of the tree trunk and it thudded back on the ground not a foot from where he'd started.

The old man offered only one more comment: "Of course, when I was your age, that pine tree was only three feet tall."

A traveler was at the airport, checking in at the gate, when an agent asked him, routinely, "Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?"

"If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?" he responded.

The agent smiled and said, "That's why we ask."

Sign on a maternity room door: "Push, push, push."

Sign in a taxidermist's window: "We really know our stuff."

Sign at a podiatrist's office: "Time wounds all heels."

Sign in a veterinarian's waiting room: "Back in five minutes. Sit. Stay."

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Transition - Every Year - Every Rotary Club

The Changing of the Guard is on our docket for the month of June, and once again we are reminded that being a Rotary President is a 12 shot deal. You have twelve months only to make your mark on your club, or in the case of the DG on the district and for RI president, on the world of Rotary.

One of the most remarkable things about Rotary is the strength it maintains while leadership changes so frequently on all levels. It is always interesting to see what the new Rotary International president will choose as a theme and logo. "Be a gift to the world" has been a wonderful idea and it was demonstrated so well in the little paperweights Cory has been giving to our speakers. President Ravi has written inspired messages throughout the year. This month, he reflects on his term. "To serve as president of Rotary International is a colossal undertaking, one that cannot be truly conveyed in images or words. It is a wall of flame that will burn forever in my memory, dancing with light, shifting in shadow. A thousand images jostle together in my mind, a thousand recollections, a thousand emotions. Together, they form a great mosaic; together, they show the bright and glorious work of your hands."

In our district, we will bid farewell to DG Joe Belinsky and welcome Sieglinde Warren, a friend of ours since her husband was District Governor several years ago. Her job will focus on incoming RI President John Germ's new motto of "Rotary Serving Humanity." He states in an article describing his theme, "... if we want to bring Rotary forward, we've all got to be moving in the same direction. Continuity of leadership, at the club, district and RI level is the only way we will flourish and achieve our full potential."

This statement is so profound. As Mike Florak becomes our president it does not mean Cory Wingett's work is done. To have continuity of leadership, Cory must be available to Mike for counsel and wisdom, as will Joe need to be for Sieglinde and Ravi for John.

One of the reasons the annual change works is because our leaders grow more committed to "service" and to their responsibility to participate in it. That is where the continuity is born and is nurtured. It should be another exciting transition from being a gift to serving humanity as a Rotarian in Steubenville, District 6650 and the world.

June is busting with programs:

6/3 Richard Pflug will present Ray Agresta, Jefferson County Treasurer, to give us a little financial perspective on the county and to describe what services his office provides.

6/10 Sue Hershey's speaker is our friend Mike Paprocki, Executive Director of BHJ Metropolitan Planning Commission, who will update us on the "Brilliant bridge," Route 7 progress and many other improvements planned for the area.

6/17 Todd Phillipson will bring Larry George to tell us what it is like to serve on the boards of both the Joint Vocational School and the Educational Service Center.

6/24 The Changing of the Guard will be our opportunity to thank Cory Wingett for a job well done and hear what Mike Florak has in store for us in his year as our leader. Rotary International President-elect, John Germ has chosen the theme "Rotary Serving Humanity" which will also be the theme for all the local clubs.

May is over so soon!

5/6 Alexis Fitzgerald, Mgr. of the Animal Rescue League Shelter and Wildlife Center of Pittsburgh and Megan Wallace, educator, described their location on a 16 acre farm in Verona where they rescue all types of animals. Formed in 1909, this privately funded operation is an open door shelter - a modern day Noah's Ark.

5/13 Rosalie Barsotti, recently retired Director of Human Resources for Westinghouse-Asia, described the cultural differences in dealing with Asian business people. Not only verbally, but in gesture and practice there are vast differences from East to West.

5/20 Kathy led the membership in some amusing games with fabulous prizes. Marty Hauser reported on perfect attenders. Jimmie Bruce and Kate Dodds were inducted as members. Keith Murdock roasted the birthday celebrants and Carolyn Glaub discussed the RI Foundation and Paul Harris Fellowships.

5/27 Kyle Brown introduced Dave LaDonna, regional director for the Mark West companies. He provided an overview of their operations, a list of their clients and fascinating before-and-after aerial shots of where their work has made a profound impact on this area. His message held hope for local economic development.

Let's hear Cory Wing it . . .



My last newsletter article!
It's hard to believe this year
went this fast. Mike is up to
bat and I am going to hide out
in the bullpen for a while. In

all honesty, I have really enjoyed this past year as
the Steubenville Rotary President. It would not
have gone so fast if I weren't enjoying it.

I would like to thank Kathy Musso for all her hard
work and assistance. Believe me, the club would
be lost if it wasn't for Kathy managing the affairs. I
would like to thank Sue Hershey who accepted the
responsibility of growing our numbers and the
results prove it. If you want something done and
done right, those are the two for the job. I said in
my first newsletter article, we may never be a club
of 100, but we can be the greatest club of 50-60
ever.

I feel strongly that the slight adjustment in sharing
the speaker responsibility was a true success. The
variety and high level of speakers we heard from
this past year were awesome. It is much easier for
each member to obtain one rock star rather than
twelve members trying to secure four or five.
Diversification is the key by not having all your
eggs in one basket.

I enjoyed having the speaker and me among the
club during lunch rather than on the stage. I
experienced first hand how the members of the
club were free to interact with the speaker
throughout the meeting. And many members sat
at the table for lunch and had great conversations
with the guest speaker.

I will get back to focusing on the flag program and
will do my best to continue growing that asset so
the club can use the fund in the best way we see fit
within the community.

Thanks again for all the support. I hope I did not
disappoint. Mike, you are stepping out to the "on
deck circle and marching toward the batter's box."
I know you will "hit a homer."

Cory Wingett

Cory's Friday the 13th information:

Cory reported that Friday the 13th has become the
most feared day in history. From the middle ages,
a phobia of fear dating back to the Crucifixion
coupled with 13 people at the Last Supper has
fueled this superstition.

June Birthdays:

Patricia Fletcher is the only person who attends
regularly who celebrates a birthday in June, but Past
President Howard Brettell and Father Richard Davis
are both June babies! We will think of all of them
when we celebrate this month!

Dates to Remember:

6/4 Brooke Hills Play House presentation of "On
Golden Pond" starring Bob Lane - 8 PM.

6/10 Rotary Board meets at 11:00 - Don't forget that
this counts as a make-up meeting.

6/14 Past Presidents meeting at Scaffidi's at 5:30 PM
led by Mike Florak and Alan Hall

6/16 Rotary Golf Outing at Spring Hills - Everyone
should have received a flyer. Volunteers are needed.

Did you know . . .

. . . That the website for Rotary make-ups on line is
www.rotary.org, then search for e-clubs? Be sure Kathy
gets a copy of your online make-up form. Also, don't
forget to click on "My Rotary" and register. If you have
problems, Kathy can help! [Ed. Note: I did it. If I can,
you can, I promise.]

. . . That our May guests included Kate Dodds, Ted
Gorman with two students from Big Red, Fred and
Linda Henderson, Linda Bodnar, Wendy Johnson and
Jim Conrad.

. . . That our 2016 raffle is underway? Remember, even
if you win, your ticket goes back in for another chance
at winning! This month, Ross Gallabrese won. There
were other prizes given out on 5/20 including a gift
card to Naples (Mike Florak), Rotary bags (Keith
Murdock and Andrea Hale) and an Applebee's gift card
(Charley Joyce).

. . . That our 50/50 winners for May were Jodi Sheetz
(wonder where that money went), Charley Joyce,
Laurel McDowell and Mike Mehalik.

. . . That we offer congratulations to Mike Florak who
received a "shout-out" on ESPN?

. . . That it is time to vote for board members? Please
fill out and return your ballot to Kathy Musso
promptly.

. . . That enclosed with this newsletter is an "extra"
given to me by Dick McGowan. He found a few
"Contacts" from the 1930's. Enjoy seeing how much
and how little we've changed. Thank you, Dick!

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Golf Outing was provided by our Sergeant at Arms,
Bruce Trushel recently.

Editorial: *Taking a risk . . . for better or worse. . .*

It's June, when grads, brides, grooms and fathers share the spotlight. When I consider each of these "roles," I immediately begin to reflect on what an undertaking each one is.

The graduate whether from kindergarten, college or any level in between, is facing the unknown. What will next year be like? Will I be with my friends? Will I like what I'm doing? Can I take the next step successfully?

The bride and groom walking blissfully through the ceremony and grand reception are making some mighty big promises to each other. Even in this era of how-many-how-often wedding practice, at the moment those vows are spoken, the commitment is meant to be kept, standing toe-to-toe, face-to-face, hand-in-hand. No matter how long and well the couple has prepared, there is still a risk implied in those vows.

Then comes fatherhood. Father's Day arrives and each of us remembers something very special about our relationship with the man who had such a profound impact on our formative years - helping to create what we each have become. Even when a father is not present daily or at all, a child is highly influenced by that as well. When a person becomes a parent, however unwittingly, the job is full of risks and - for first timers - the training program is not often very thorough.

Also in June comes the transition in Rotary. I remember like yesterday the evening at Steubenville Country Club when I became this Club's president. I can still hear myself saying to Bob, "I am so not ready to do this job." I can also hear myself saying the very next end-of-June, as I left the position, "Finally, I'm ready to be president of Rotary."

Cory Wingett has been a successful leader of this club, daring to make changes to our "routines" and even where we sit. He has appointed a "tough" sergeant-at-arms to keep us in line and force us to wear badges and swap tables. He has created a new way of securing our programs and a committee to encourage new and retain current members. Although some may have grumbled, the year has gone well, the club has grown and even Carolyn Glaub and I moved to a different table one week.

Now Mike Florak will be our leader (in keeping with Cory's metaphor) and take his swing at the ball. It is our responsibility to accept his choices and be team players. I am excited to see what Mike is planning for the 2016-2017 year. Our new RI President has outlined some tough requirements for clubs and districts to achieve. He has made certain achievements mandatory. You can find these defined clearly at Rotary.org.

In a recent *Rotarian*, there is a quote from a father describing his son's choice to forego college and become part of a band (which happens to be U2). The father, a

Rotarian writes of his agreement to the choice, "We were pretty laid back about it. I think I could sum up our approach in these words, as advice to all parents, really: Never stand in the way of your children's dreams - they might just come true."

There is a certain wisdom there that all June celebrants should take to heart.

Time for some Humor:

The elderly priest, speaking to the younger priest, said, "It was a good idea to replace the first four pews with plush bucket theater seats. It worked like a charm. The front of the church always fills first now."

The young priest nodded and the old priest continued, "And, you told me a little more beat to the music would bring young people back to church, so I supported you when you brought in that rock 'n roll gospel choir. We are packed to the balcony."

"Thank you Father," answered the young priest. "I am pleased that you are open to the new ideas of youth."

"Well," said the elderly priest, "I'm afraid you've gone too far with the drive-thru confessional."

"But Father," protested the young priest, "my confessions and the donations have nearly doubled since I began that!"

"I know, my son," replied the elderly priest, "but that flashing neon sign, 'Toot 'n Tell or Go to Hell' cannot stay on the church roof."

A true tale from Texas - - -

Recently a routine police patrol car parked outside a bar in Bandera, Texas. After last call, the officer noticed a man leaving the bar so intoxicated that he could barely walk. The man stumbled around the parking lot for a few minutes, with the officer quietly observing. After what seemed an eternity and trying his keys on five different vehicles, the man managed to find his car which he fell into. . . . He sat there for a few minutes as a number of other patrons left the bar and drove off.

Finally he started the car, switched the wipers on and off (it was a fine, dry summer night), flicked the blinkers on, then off a couple of times, honked the horn and then switched on the lights. He moved the vehicle forward a few inches, reversed a little and then remained still for a few more minutes as some more of the other patron vehicles left. At last, the parking lot empty, he pulled out of the parking lot and started to drive slowly down the road.

The police officer, having patiently waited all this time, now started up the patrol car, put on the flashing lights and promptly pulled the man over and carried out a Breathalyzer test. To his amazement the Breathalyzer indicated no evidence of the man having consumed any alcohol at all! Dumbfounded, the officer said, "I'll have to ask you to accompany me to the police station. This Breathalyzer equipment must be broken."

"I doubt it," said the truly proud Texan. "Tonight, I'm the designated decoy."

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Beat your own drum!

We welcome John Germ as our newest Rotary International President this month. He is described as a man with a "can-do" attitude and an ability to get things accomplished. He believes that Rotary has kept its light under a bushel far too long.

"We need to do a better job of promoting our cause. That's the challenge ahead, but I don't see it as a problem. I don't believe in problems - I believe in opportunities."

Speaking of opportunities, when John completed his military service, he went to work as an engineer and told his boss in ten years either he would own part of the company or be its biggest competitor. He eventually did become chair and CEO of that firm.

One of his earliest lessons there came from the owner of a Cinaplex they were engineering. The owner said, "Don't make the air conditioning too good." When Germ asked why, the owner responded, "Because the customers need to smell the popcorn; we make most of our money at the concession stand."

Today, President John wants to "find the popcorn smell that will bring people to Rotary." He believes that smell - that draw - is service and that the generation coming up is service-minded. He doesn't want to miss the opportunity to draw these people into Rotary.

He would like the organization to function more like a business. "We've been getting leaner, and I'd like to speed that up." He has plans to streamline meeting locations, time and number of attendees for cost control. One of his goals is to address Rotary's static membership.

He makes the blasphemous (to many of us) statement, "Well for one thing, we could pay less attention to attendance." He goes on, "My question isn't 'How many meetings did you make?' It's 'How are you making a difference in your community?'"

His theme, "Rotary Serving Humanity" is more of a statement of what he believes we are than a challenge to what we could be. He believes Rotarians serve and wants us to get down to business doing just that. As we do, he believes we should make sure the whole world, individual countries and communities know that good things are actually happening because Rotarians are at work serving humanity.

June programs were great!

6/3 Richard Pflug introduced his friend Ray Agresta, whose humorous and historic description of the job of County Treasurer was informative and entertaining. He told us the Ohio Revised Code mandates every structure in the county must be inspected every 6 years.

6/10 Mike Paprocki was Sue Hershey's timely presenter, talking about BHJ and its "partnership with the people of Appalachia." From those grass roots, much has been accomplished. He warned us not a day too soon about the construction changes to the Veteran's Bridge.

6/17 With typical "George" enthusiasm, Larry George described both the JVS and Educational Service Center boards on which he serves. His knowledge of their current programs and description of how they change to meet children's needs was fascinating.

6/24 The Changing of the Guard was a fun-filled, yet thoughtful transfer of leadership. Adam Scurti teased and praised Cory Wingett for his hard work as our president. Then Ross Gallabrese installed his friend, Mike Florak to serve for 2016-17. Ashley Steele installed all the other officers and directors. Mike introduced Annie and Isaac to the club and described his plans for the upcoming year. He hopes to get a Past Presidents Advisory Group organized.

July is on its way!

7/1 George Ash has asked Judge Joe Corabi to bring us up to date on the progress with the youth of our community through the Juvenile Court's efforts.

7/8 Laurel McDowell will introduce us to Tommy Beynon, son of Carolyn Glaub. Tommy is very tall and his subject matter is "Life After Basketball!"

7/15 Cory will be back at the podium to introduce a program. Watch our web site and your e-mail for an announcement once that program is in place.

7/22 Robin Flohr has gotten Lisa Ward, CEO of Coleman Behavioral Health to visit us and tell us how her organization will serve many needs in Steubenville and surrounding areas.

7/29 Kathy Musso is bringing us Dr. Himanshu Desai and Michelle Swann from Trinity Health System's Endoscopy Center to discuss colon cancer.



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Up to bat - with Mike

Fun Times Here in

Steubenville -

Greetings, Fellow Rotarians. I feel very blessed to serve as your next President. Cory had a great run and I hope I can continue in

the right direction. Looking at the other names that have held the position in the past, I fully realize what a great responsibility and honor that being the President of Steubenville Rotary is. I pray that 2016-2017 will one day be looked back upon as a time worth celebrating the positive force that our Rotary Club is in our area.

We have many things worth celebrating locally. We have four terrific schools that call the city limits home (two awesome high schools, a top community college and world-renowned university). We have a fantastic hospital system that improves the lives and health of our residents, with cutting-edge treatment that would be the envy of much larger cities. We have awesome locally-owned restaurants that serve delicious ethnic flavors that are unmatched by most other cities our size.

Although our friends two hours north of us can no longer be the butt of our championship-drought jokes, just 40 minutes east we have arguably the most successful pro sports teams of any area (including our hockey team that just raised the Stanley Cup and - don't look now - but the Pirates just took three of four from the red-hot Dodgers).

We have an energized city government with fresh faces that have a passion for Steubenville and wanting to make it an even better place to live. We are gifted with terrific scenery including rolling hills and breathtaking views of all four seasons, including some of the times for those of us who (like me) don't like snow. We are lucky to host great events that the city is well-known for, like the recent Greek Festival/Hometown Celebration/Dean Martin Festival, and even those of us who don't like snow cannot wait to visit the encore of the Nutcracker Village at the Fort.

We have gorgeous churches (we were once known as the city of churches) and a strong faith-based community full of our best asset . . . the wonderful people we have here!

So it is with great anticipation that I begin this term with all of you great people in our club. As I said last week, I want this to be three things . . .

Open, in the sense of being open to new/old ideas that any of you can come to me with on how we can make our club better. **Inclusive**, in the sense that we all work together with all of our other Rotarians as one positive force in our community. And **Fun**, because we have a fun group of people

and using the platform that we have to help people should be just that . . . **FUN!**

July Birthdays:

Let's celebrate with John Criss, Rich Delatore, Dick Powell and Adam Scurti. Former Rotarians also celebrating are Terri Ferroni, Sylvia Ensell and Peggy Wang. We will think of all of them when we celebrate this month!

Dates to Remember:

7/8 Rotary Board meets at 11:00 - Don't forget that this counts as a make-up meeting. This will be the first meeting for new board members Keith Murdock, Patricia Fletcher, Robin Flohr and Jim Baber.

Did you know . . .

. . . That the website for Rotary make-ups on line is www.rotary.org, then search for e-clubs? Be sure Kathy gets a copy of your online make-up form.

. . . That our June guests included Martheresa Fila, Annie Florak and Isaac Florak.

. . . That we had two raffle winners in June. Congratulations to Kyle Brown and Alyse Hershey.

. . . That our 50/50 winners for June were Barry Gullen, Rich Delatore, Ross Gallabrese and Carolyn Glaub, who announced to her table that she was going to win! Hmmm . . .

. . . That the golf outing was successful in bringing over \$2,000 into the club's coffers. Deep appreciation goes to Kathy Musso, Bruce Trushel and the various players and volunteers who made the day fun and fiscally responsible. The golf occurred between two huge storms, but actual play was dry and sunny.

. . . That again this month, I have enclosed with this newsletter another "extra" given to me by Dick McGowan. He found a few "Contacts" from the 1930's. Enjoy seeing how much and how little we've changed. Thank you, Dick!

. . . That a most interesting description of the Chamber Golf Outing was provided by our Sergeant at Arms, Bruce Trushel recently.

. . . That we are pleased to welcome two new members? They are Kate Sedgmer and Jimmie Bruce. Jimmie has been a Rotarian for many years and comes to us as a transfer. Kate became a member as a single lady and has just gotten married. Be sure to let each of them read your name tag and get to know you.

. . . That Mike Florak has a three-pronged plan for us during 2016-17. He wants us to have fun, be open with one another and be inclusive of all members and guests. Chances are we will be seeing our Sergeant at Arms at work as part of the fun, keeping our wallets open and including each of us with his fines!

Editorial: *Some bitter sweet words from our friend Janice -*

I read Janice Kiaski's column first thing each Sunday morning. Her article recently was so touching I asked her if I could share it with you.

I often wonder what Ruth Ann Hout thinks about all day, what consumes her thoughts since dementia has redefined her these past few years.

My 92 year old mother smiles when she sees me. Sometimes she knows my name, sometimes not.

Gone entirely are any of the stories she once took great delight in telling people about me, including how I was such a happy child and how everything was my favorite dish.

Our relationship is murky. Sometimes I'm her friend. Sometimes I'm her daughter. Other times not.

"You're my mother, aren't you?" she'll sometimes ask me. "I belong to you," she says, raising her eyebrows, her tone acknowledging what's more of a confirmation in her mind, not a question for me.

It's a reflex for me, though, to want to correct her, to tell her she's my mother, to hang on to someone who's responsible for my existence, for heaven's sake, who's known me since day one, who's loved me and nurtured me and been this really huge influence in my life.

Hello. Are you in there?

It's all confusing, an abstract concept now, courtesy of a memory robber that no security system can guarantee protection from.

She seems happy, adjusted, OK. Maybe sweeter than ever.

I thank God for that.

And yet I look at her and feel so sad, knowing all the things that shaped her and made her who she was are gone, irrelevant. Her love of south Wheeling where she grew up. Her book worm school days, being valedictorian in high school and college. Playing violin in the Wheeling Symphony along side her father, a charter member. Her years of teaching school. How she met my dad. The five children they had, including yours truly as the grand finale.

I rattle off their names. Linda. Cathy. Jay. David. Me.

"I'm going to have to write that down," she tells me frowning.

"Now when did you and I first meet?" She has asked me on occasion when I'm preoccupied with painting her fingernails, something she has always been particular about.

It's ironic that I muster a chuckle over what I tell my siblings is another "trick question" the old school teacher in her is asking.

I tell her the truth. "Oh a long time ago."

You have to laugh at dementia. It's the only panacea, the only defense, given here is my mother, a well educated, well traveled, well read woman, who is someone else - a harsh reality to embrace on Mother's Day and every day for that matter.

I tell her I have to get back to work. I'm on my lunch break, but I'll be back.

"Ok," she tells me. "I love you."

"I love you too, Mom."

Time for some Humor:

In keeping with Janice's column about her mother, here are some second graders' impressions of "Mom."

Why did God make mothers?

1. She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
2. Mostly to clean the house.
3. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

How did God make mothers?

1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
2. Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
3. God made my Mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.
2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they used mostly string, I think.

Why did God give you your mom and not some other mom?

1. We're related.
2. God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me.

What kind of little girl was your mom?

1. My mom has always been my mom and none of the other stuff.
2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess is pretty bossy.
3. They say she used to be nice.

What did mom need to know about dad before she married him?

1. His last name.
2. She had to know his background, like is he a crook or does he get drunk on beer?
3. Does he make at least \$800 a year and did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

Why did your mom marry your dad?

1. My dad makes the best spaghetti and my mom eats a lot.
2. She got too old to do anything else with him.
3. My grandma says that mom didn't have her thinking cap on.

Who's the boss at your house?

1. Mom doesn't want to be, but she has to 'cause dad's a goof ball.
2. Mom. You can tell by room inspection. She sees stuff under the bed.
3. I guess mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.

What's the difference between moms and dads?

1. Moms work at work and work at home. Dads just go to work.
2. Moms know how to talk to teachers without scaring them.
3. Dads are taller and stronger, but moms have all the real power 'cause that's who you have to ask if you want to sleep over at your friend's. Moms have magic and make you feel better without medicine.

What would it take to make your mom perfect?

1. On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.
2. Diet. You know, her hair. I'd diet - maybe blue.
3. Get rid of those invisible eyes in the back of her head.

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Tuesday	12 Noon	Chester-Mountaineer Hospitality Club
Wednesday	12 Noon	Weirton- Williams Country Club
Thursday	12 Noon	Brooke -Station Grill, Wellsburg

IMPORTANT DATES:

Children's Christmas Party - 12/9 /2016
No Meetings - 11/25/16, 12/23/16 and 4/14/17
Service Above Self Youth Awards - 4/28/2017
Changing of the Guard - 6/30/2017
Birthday observance the 3rd Friday of each month

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Thinking about Atlanta!

Several years ago, the Rotary International Convention was held in Chicago - Rotary's birth place. Several members of our club went that year, including Kyle Brown who was then our President. When he and Hank Kuzma returned they had wonderful stories of what an experience it was.

Next June, the convention is in Atlanta, another city more reachable for most of us U S born Rotarians. If we start to talk about it now, maybe several of us can experience what Kyle did a few years ago.

Hopefully we can take advantage of Kyle's knowledge of what goes on there and learn what an attendee can expect. At the time, Hank and Kyle were enthusiastic about the "adventure." I think Hank may have been to the convention before, but it was Kyle's first time.

Before too much time goes by, if you even have the slightest bit of interest in the experience, there is much to be learned on Rotary's website. Soon articles will appear about it in *The Rotarian*, and there will be early-responder deals to be had. Keep an eye out and an open mind on considering next year's RI Convention. If you have made up your mind to go, register at riconvention.org. The dates are June 10-14, 2017.

Strength in Numbers:

Our club has become smaller by about half over the past ten years. Much of the reduction is due to losing older members (and in Jon Brandt's case, a younger member) to death or retirement away from our community. But much of the membership loss has come because local businesses (particularly banks and utilities) are really not locally owned any more and therefore have no interest in investing their people's time in service clubs. Most members now have to foot the bill themselves.

Both RI President John Germ and RI Foundation Chair Kalyan Banerjee address the issue of how important membership numbers are to keeping the foundation funded and strong. John reminds us that Rotarians get to be Rotarians by invitation only. You don't just choose to join Rotary. Someone invites you, someone sponsors you and the membership accepts you. We as individuals make Rotary and its foundation strong. Be sure to do your part! Offer someone that invitation!

August programs are hot!

8/5 Jodi Scheetz has asked Eloise Traina, Director of the Family Recovery Center to speak about their resources for local folks who need help.

8/12 Jim Baber's program will come from local business man Billy Petrella.

8/19 This year, our DG visit will provide us a real treat! Sieglinde Warren has experience once as our district's first lady, as past president of her own club and in many other areas of Rotary interest. She is full of personality and ideas. Be here to welcome her.

8/26 If you read the first column on this page it will not be a surprise to you that, when I knew a program was needed, I immediately texted Kyle Brown. We will hear his "Insights on a Rotary Convention - Why should I go?" As always, Kyle is living "service above self."

July is gone so soon?

7/1 George Ash introduced Judge Joe Corabi who enthusiastically described the progress and promise he is seeing for our community's troubled youth, including community service programs and male and female pride programs. He has invited the club to come and see the Juvenile facilities as a field trip this fall.

7/8 Laurel McDowell helped us meet, Big Red grad and son of the Glaubs, Tommy Beynon. He has many "tall" orders under his belt, but currently focuses his efforts on enhancing the lives of people with Alzheimer's. One special highlight was his impression of Raymond Saccoccia.

7/15 Cory Wingett brought us Coach Reno Saccoccia. Always entertaining and inspiring, Reno joked with the current and past superintendents in the room. Then he described what a great contribution high school football is to students. He also commented that for him, watching the development from a freshman's first day to his senior banquet is a real treat, and related how pleased he is when he hears from former players.

7/22 Robin Flohr presented Lisa Ward, Nelson Burns and Kathy Myers of the Coleman Professional Group. Their goals are to foster recovery, build independence and change destinies for those with mental illness.

7/29 Kathy Musso presented Michelle Swann from Trinity Health System's Endoscopy Center to tell us the truth about a colonoscopy. Screening is the best method for preventing this often diagnosed cancer.



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Up to bat - with Mike

Still The Greatest

It is very tempting to look at recent events and the ugliness of a presidential political campaign year and lament the direction of our country. There is no denying that there is a divide between our two political parties and more division within each party. There is a growing need for groups with all differences to find common grounds - and that is one of being Americans.

Yet while it is easy to find more and more reasons for division and negativity, particularly in all forms of media, perhaps we should ask ourselves these questions:

If the people in this country are so bad, why do 68% of our people donate to charity?

If the people in this country are so bad, why do 79% report helping strangers:

If the people in this country are so bad, why do 44% report volunteering time to charitable causes?

If the people in this country are so bad, why are so many more coming here to live than leaving to live somewhere else?

The above figures are from the 2015 World Giving index. We also rank as the second most giving country in the world (behind Myanmar). And it seems as though we still have somewhat free speech. We also have the freedom to tune out media and politicians who dwell on the negative, while trying to sell advertising space or the need for the brand of leadership.

As Rotarians, we have the platform and much opportunity to continue that giving spirit that has been emblematic of our country. We also have the freedom to choose most of what we spend our time doing and with whom we spend it.

So I urge us, let's be leaders and be examples of the spirit of free giving that makes this country still the greatest one on earth! Continue to find the positive, and continue to perform the charitable acts of giving. And no matter how much negative influences try to chide us to believe otherwise, we should still be proud of the greatest country on earth.

Important history:

7/1 - Father Richard Davis celebrated fifty years of ministry! We wish him every blessing, every joy and pray for years to come. He has blessed us all!

August Birthdays:

Attend on August 19th and celebrate with Carolyn Glaub, Sue Hershey, Lee Kinney, Keith Murdock and Ashley Steele. Special birthday wish to Ed Cusick. And on a personal note, Happy Birthday to my cousin Bev Dyrdek - fellow Rotarian in Elizabethtown, Kentucky!

Dates to Remember:

8/12 Rotary Board meets at 11:00. All are welcome to come, participate and get credit for a make-up, too!

9/15 - Save the Date . . . for "Jazz in the Garden" at Fran Carinci's home .

Did you know . . .

. . . That the website for Rotary make-ups on line is www.rotary.org, then search for e-clubs? Be sure Kathy gets a copy of your online make-up form.

. . . That our July guests included Betty Ferran, Mikayla Kevashik, Bobbyjon Bauman, AG Linda and Fred Henderson, Kayla Whitlatch, Nelson Burns, Kathy Myers and Janet King.

. . . That we had two raffle winners in July. Congratulations to Kyle Brown and Alec Hershey.

. . . That our 50/50 winners for July were Carolyn Glaub, Kyle Brown (who won the raffle on the same day), George Ash, Gary Cain and Jim Emmerling.

. . . That President Mike is "reintroducing" us to each other. This month, he presented himself, Ross Gallabrese, Alan Hall and Jodi Scheetz. Thanks, Mike, for helping us become better acquainted with members both long timers and newbies!

. . . That we rejoice with Mike Mehalik in his daughter's successful kidney transplant surgery.

. . . That concerns and prayers go to Amy Chalfant and Mike Mehalik who have both been under the weather.

Five Important Lessons:

[For the next five months, there will be five life lessons described in this space.]

1st - The Cleaning Lady: During my second month of college, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions until I read the last one. "Who cleans this school?"

Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50's, but how would I know her name? I handed in my paper, leaving the last question blank. Just before class ended, one student asked if the last question counted toward our quiz grade.

"Absolutely," said the professor. "In your careers, you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say hello." I've never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Dorothy.

Editorial: *My Latest Case of Senioritis!*

Being a senior is a mighty large burden - often anticipated and sometimes "sorely" disappointing. I am facing it now for the fourth time.

First I remember being a senior in junior high (i.e. eighth grader). I loved junior high, hearing so much about what we would learn and finding inspiration in every class. Remember how you envisioned yourself as a junior high grad. In those days, my peers and I didn't see us. We saw THEM! We saw those cool high school folks just ahead of us. They were taller, prettier, more mature - and then - suddenly, we were they! Yikes.

Junior High prestige becomes freshman totem pole status. You start over with the potential to use your brain and your talents, with successes and failures and cliques and performances - and then - you're a senior! It's over! There are parties and praise and college visits and you are really special for a little while!

Until you walk onto that campus . . . as a freshman again. This time it's different. The people are new, the surroundings are new, the ideas are new and the temptations are everywhere. And even more acutely than in high school, as you start out in college, you realize you have to grow up fast if you want to be successful. So you do - and then - you are a senior all over again.

Then career begins, marriage begins, children are born and you might as well be a freshman one more time, because the learning from school, while helpful, has not necessarily prepared you for the growth and maturity you must develop to juggle "real life." Yet you manage it. You even find time to join Rotary - and suddenly - you're 65!

Now you are really a senior - seriously a senior! You are supposed to be pleased at all these senior specials - like discounts at restaurants and movies, programs for developing your senior-ness, Silver Sneakers, vitamins and of course, the joys of senior moments. I am enjoying Senioritis again - and I am more "sorely" disappointed than ever!

Bourne - Free!

Ten years ago, I quit watching "main-stream" TV and became a USA/TNT junkie! That's where I first met Jason Bourne. I have never seen a single one of those movies from its beginning, but have seen pieces of them multiple times.

Sunday night, I watched the newest one from its start at 11:00 PM. There is so much more important in this world. So many frightening issues, outcomes, worries to face. And yet, I stayed up - not to watch speeches, promises or gotchas. No, I watched Bourne's Legacy!

I didn't understand the dialogue, the drugs, the government involvement. I should be watching "Clueless." But after years of piece-mealing Bourne, I was

going to see the finale, the culmination, what it meant.

Why do I raise this silly obsession? Because I am afraid that this series of movies is closer to reality than it should be! Programmed and reprogrammed humans are maneuvered and manipulated in the name of national security/secretcy for safety reasons. As I watch, and keep looking for the familiar Bourne, he never appears. I've been duped. It's a Bourne look-alike, but not the conclusion I had expected. That is still un-Bourne. It's rather like TV these days, a pretty significant waste of time.

I'd really rather be at Rotary!

In light of the preceding jibberish, I think it's

Time for some Humor:

"Older Than Dirt Quiz"?

Do you remember any/some/all of these?

1. Blackjack chewing gum
2. Wax Cola-shaped bottles with sugar colored water
3. Candy Cigarettes
4. Pop machines that dispense bottles
5. Coffee shops with table-top jukeboxes
6. Home milk delivery in glass bottles with card board stoppers
7. Party telephone lines
8. Newsreels before movies
9. P.F. Flyers
10. Butch Wax
11. Telephone numbers with a "word" prefix (i.e. Lehigh 7)
12. Howdy Doody
13. 45 RPM records
14. S & H green stamps
15. Metal ice cube trays with levers
16. Mimeograph paper/machines
17. Blue flash bulbs
18. Roller skate keys

Scorings:

If you remembered 0-5, you're a whippersnapper.
If you remembered 6-15, you're getting there, and
If you remembered 16 +, you're Older Than Dirt!

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Focus - Basis Education and Literacy

As we long time Rotarians begin to learn some of the new Rotary plans and possibilities, we need to become familiar with the six "Areas of Focus" which seem to replace the "Avenues of Service." [If this isn't the case, would someone explain?] One of these areas was highlighted in this month's *Rotarian* in a very interesting interview/article with Henry Winkler.

The Fonzy was a character many of us enjoyed during the run of "Happy Days" on television. He played a "dude" who had no use for school because he was far too cool for that, but throughout the series we learned that Arthur Fonzarelli had a vulnerable side and a weakness or two, one of which was the inability to read well. He relates that in one episode, Fonzie goes with Richie to get a library card which reportedly set off a mass application for library cards across the country.

Currently Henry Winkler has become a co-author of several children's books - an entire series based on Henry's childhood difficulties in learning to read. He did not learn he was dyslexic until he was over thirty and the books are about a child 'Hank Zipzer' who has trouble in school because he has learning challenges. Apparently, the books are very, very funny and yet help people young and old understand that because you need to learn differently, it does not mean you are not smart.

When Henry learned about his dyslexia, he began a crusade to help others in his dilemma learn that they were different, but not stupid. When he took on the book project with co-author Lin Oliver, he says he learned three important things. One, he never dreamed he *could* write a book. Two, the books read like situation comedies, so children - even children who hate to read - love reading them. And three, it has given him the chance to encourage kids to meet their potential.

By our annual donation of dictionaries to the elementary students of the county and through reading to school classes, our club attempts to focus on basic education and literacy at home. Are there opportunities for Steubenville Rotary to have an impact on improving literacy in other areas of our nation or in foreign nations? Perhaps when Kathy gathers our Rotary magazines to send to Thomas and others in Africa, we are doing a little of that too.

August - hot and heavy!

8/5 Jodi Scheetz presented Eloise Traina, Director of the Family Recovery Center. She discussed the need for a drug free workplace and reviewed the services they offer in Jefferson and Columbiana Counties.

8/12 Kathy Musso presented local entrepreneur Billy Petrella, who reviewed several business ventures he and his family have operating throughout our county. He also reminded us that we each need a written plan.

8/19 Sieglinde Warren is our lively District Governor. She brought us news about changes made by the Council on Legislation and pointed out that in the current international administration, there is a sense that clubs are free to do "their own thing." She had done her homework and knew about what Steubenville has been doing.

8/26 Kyle Brown, past president, Paul Harris Fellow, devoted RI Foundation contributor, great family and business man recalled his visit to the RI convention in Chicago. He encouraged us to take the opportunity to experience Atlanta with fellow Rotarians next June.

See you in September . . .

9/2 Since joining our club recently, Rotarian Jimmie Bruce has become a familiar face to many of us. He will introduce Cindi Bruce this Friday to tell us a little about them and to explain one of her passions - the care and treatment of those with Alzheimer's Disease.

9/9 Bruce Trushel will introduce Mark Miller and Bill Cattrell who will discuss the history of the guitar. They will also play for us.

9/16 Vice President Alan Hall has asked Erika Lyon, our OSU Cooperative Extension Service educator for agricultural and natural resources to tell us about her new position and what she plans for us to learn.

9/23 Chuck Govey visited Weirton Heights Club recently and heard Attorney Roger Isla enlighten that club on "concealed carry." Roger will share that information with us.

9/30 Joe Wallace is the new basketball coach at Franciscan University. Carolyn Glaub has asked him to come and tell us about his plans for maintaining and improving that sports tradition in the valley.



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Up to bat - with Mike

Over forty years ago, in 1972, Alice Cooper wrote a rock-and-roll song about the joy students felt at the end of the school year entitled "School's Out for the Summer." I still hear it played on the radio, particularly in May and June. It brings me back to a time of my life when I could be happy that I did not have to go to school every day. Rather than feeling gladness for summer vacation being upon myself and my schoolmates, I should have been celebrating the tremendous education opportunity I was blessed with while growing up here in Steubenville. We are very fortunate to have four excellent schools here in Steubenville that we should all celebrate.

Steubenville City Schools won a National Education Foundation STEM + Leadership Merit Award in May, 2016, among many honors they have earned. From the top starting with Superintendent Melinda Young and Principal Ted Gorman, the system is full of passionate and energetic professionals who care very much about the city of Steubenville and the children that they serve. They are a great point of pride for our city, and I am fortunate to call many staff and faculty there my friends.

Earlier this year, Catholic Central hosted ceremonies for its 125th year in existence. According to school employees, an incredible 98% of Central grads go on to attend college. Think about that: the investment that families can make in a private education here in our city is certain to leave their young people as well-prepared as they possibly could be for their futures. So when Theresa Danaher and Rich Wilinski are espousing the values of an education at CCHS, they speak from the heart and everyone should listen. [I still would listen to *everything* Mr. Wilinski says - he was my coach after all.]

In January of 2015, Eastern Gateway Community College was named one of the 10 fastest-growing community colleges in the country by Community College Week. They continue to offer an outstanding option for an affordable start to college and two-year degree paths that are a high quality experience. Our fellow Rotarians, Jimmie Bruce, Robin Snider-Flohr and Jim Baber are great representatives of the institution and the college has shown a wonderful capacity over nearly fifty years to adapt to the needs of the local economy and job market, while being very visible and a significant contributor to our area.

Seventy years ago, a group of Third Order Regular Friars came to Steubenville to start a small college with a heart for the preaching ministry of St. Francis, conversion to and love of Jesus Christ and academic excellence. Seven decades later, Franciscan University's presence in Steubenville has resulted in over 2,400 students (annually), a ranking in Forbes' top 10% of the 4,726 degree-granting institutions in the United States and \$320 million in economic impact locally. The excitement continues to build as we expand our footprint in the city with the Franciscan Square project on University Boulevard.

Despite what the weatherman says with the temps we have had in the 80's and 90's recently, fall is here and school is in! We should take an immense amount of pride in the contributions of our city's four schools.

Alice Cooper pledged not to let Mick Jagger outlast him career-wise. So when he and his 2 handicap are not on the golf course, he may still have one hit song left in him. Can you hear a sequel to his 1972 hit? "School's *IN* for Fall!"

September Birthdays

Let's celebrate this month with George Ash, Robin Flohr, Chuck Govey and Melinda Young. We also wish happy birthday to past president and faithful reader Tim McCoy!

Dates to Remember:

9/9 Rotary Board meets at 11:00. All are welcome to come, participate and get credit for a make-up, too!

9/15 - Save the Date . . . for "Jazz in the Garden" at Fran Carinci's home .

10/10 Chamber/Herald Star Speaker Series - VIP reception at the YWCA.

10/23 Concert and Dinner in Cleveland, OH to celebrate the Rotary Foundation's 100th birthday. Visit www.trf100.org for information and tickets.

6/10-14/17 RI Convention in Atlanta

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. . . That our August guests included AG Linda Henderson, PDG Larry Warren, Janet King and Chuck Kokiko?

. . . That we had two raffle winners in August? Congratulations to Jim Baber and Suzanne Govey Allen.

. . . That our 50/50 winners were Larry Warren, Jim Baber, Charley Joyce and Rich Delatore?

. . . That President Mike is "reintroducing" us to each other? This month, he presented Joe Edmiston, Michelle McNicol (now Brower) and Kyle Brown.

. . . That we offer our best wishes to a happy couple? Past president Fred Brower and his bride Michelle McNicol Brower were married in Key West on August 25th.

Five Important Lessons:

[Lesson #2 "Pick up in the Rain"]

One night at 11:30 pm, an older African American woman was standing on the side of an Alabama highway trying to endure a lashing rain storm. Her car had broken down and she desperately needed a ride. Soaking wet, she decided to flag down the next car.

A young white man stopped to help her, generally unheard of in those conflict-filled 1960's. He took her to safety, helped her get assistance and put her into a taxicab.

She seemed to be in a big hurry, but wrote down his address and thanked him. Seven days went by and a knock came on the man's door. To his surprise, a giant console color TV was delivered to his home. A special note was attached, which read: *"Thank you so much for assisting me on the highway the other night. The rain drenched not only my clothes, but also my spirits. Then you came along. Because of you, I was able to make it to my dying husband's bedside just before he passed away . . . God bless you for helping me and unselfishly serving others."*

Sincerely,
Mrs. Nat King Cole

Editorial: *Surprises!*

Every once in a while, life throws you a surprise. Last Saturday, for example, when Bob and I returned home from our weekly shopping, our mail box was sitting on the ground. The steel post was severed and stood like a javelin at the end of our driveway. Since the mailbox is our first stop when we return, we noticed this 'change' right away. We looked at each other dumbfounded, but just then our neighbor drove up to explain what had happened.

Earlier in the morning, a truck was delivering to her, got stuck, had to be pulled out and then the second truck took out the mail box post. She told us who was responsible and said the company would call us. They did call and promised to take care of our bill. Ours is not your run-of-the-mill mailbox, so *their* surprise may be the replacement cost.

The (not so) funny thing is that this is the third time our mailbox has been knocked over. While I like getting new things, mailboxes are not the type of item you think of replacing on a biannual basis. One year it was *our* lawn workers who took it out. A couple of years ago, our neighbor was backing out of his driveway in his great big van and - uh oh - down went the mailbox!

It has become a neighborhood tradition to see the Hargrave mailbox get replaced. And really, to Bob and me, it should cease to be a surprise.

Just over a week ago, I was knock-your-socks-off surprised. As all the regular attenders of Rotary know, the Glaub-Hargrave-Murdock-Cattrell table is in the front corner at the Y. Carolyn and I get to catch up on grandkids, work issues, Rotary ideas and even some gossip. Even when urged to move, we find ourselves gravitating back to "our spot." We don't have many secrets from each other. So when she got up to give a Paul Harris Fellow to someone, I kept looking around the room and wondering why she hadn't told me about it. I had been a part of some of those "chats" she had with Adam, Karl and others about bestowing vs. buying. Not until she started talking about how she hated writing her presidential column did I have a clue she was talking about me.

What an honor to have such a good friend single me out for this very special designation. I was shocked, teary, delighted and deeply touched. I just wanted to take a little space here to say thanks! It was a wonderful surprise!

Centennial Celebration:

Our District Governor Sieglinde has urged us to celebrate the 100th year of the Rotary International Foundation at a meeting during November. Our program chairs for that month are Charley Joyce, Barry Gullen and Pete Olivito. Perhaps one of them will choose to work with Kathy and Mike on a Foundation Celebration.

Time for some Humor:

[Question from last month: Did anyone know what a P F Flyer was?]

60th High School Reunion:

He was a widower and she a widow. They had known each other for a number of years, being high school classmates and having attended class reunions in the past without fail.

This 60th year, the widower and the widow made a foursome with two other singles.

They had a wonderful evening, their spirits high. The widower kept throwing admiring glances across the table. The widow would smile coyly back at him.

Finally, he picked up the courage to ask her, "Will you marry me?"

After about six seconds of careful consideration, she answered, "Yes . . . yes I will."

The evening ended on a happy note for the widower.

The next morning, however, he awoke troubled. Did she say yes or did she say no? He couldn't remember. Try as he would, he just could not recall. He went over the conversation of the previous evening, but his mind was a blank.

He did remember asking the question, but for the life of him, he could not recall her response. With fear and trepidation, he picked up the phone and called her.

First, he explained that he couldn't remember as well as he used to. Then he reviewed the past evening. As he gained a little more courage he then inquired of her, "When I asked if you would marry me, did you say yes or did you say no?"

"Why you silly man, I said yes. Yes I will - and I meant it with all my heart."

The widower was delighted. He felt his heart skip a beat.

Then she continued, "And I'm so glad you called because I couldn't remember who asked me!"

A Senior's perspective:

A distraught senior citizen phoned her doctor's office. "Is it true that the medication you prescribed has to be taken for the rest of my life?" she asked.

"Yes, I'm afraid so," the doctor told her.

There was a moment of silence before the senior lady replied, "I'm wondering, then, just how serious is my condition because this prescription bottle is marked 'NO REFILLS.'"

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American Values - Mr. Rogers' Style

Today, we hear all kinds of things about America, much of it negative. And yet, there are few places on this earth that offer any of us the opportunities that we have - and should cherish. I ran across a story in the Pittsburgh paper not long ago that high-lighted the profound influence people can have on others. I have always been a Mr. Rogers fan. He gave me sanity when my son was very young and a little bit wild. For this young woman, he taught her how to be an American.

From Leigh Tong - "Who would have thought that a 20-something immigrant from China could learn so much from a children's show?"

Mister Rogers probably never imagined that he had a loyal viewer like me. I came to America from Beijing, China in the early 1980s. I was 24 years old, but I felt like a little girl entering Disney World for the first time.

I was very anxious to learn and practice my English, while getting accustomed to things like the smell of ketchup everywhere to the American education system. When I turned on the TV, I was amazed at how many channels there were. The news reporters spoke so fast that it was hard for me to follow, especially when they talked about weather and traffic.

"Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" filled a gap. Mister Rogers spoke slowly, as if he were patiently talking and listening to me. He was so kind, gentle, grateful and appreciative in his smiles, words and actions. Ideologically, I was shocked when I heard him saying that "you are special." No one said that to me when I was growing up. In China, I was educated in collective thinking - what's best for the group. Psychologically, I loved to hear him say, "I like the way you are." Spiritually, I was introduced to the concepts of love, tolerance, trust and the humanity of all people. Behaviorally, I learned the word "gentle," and I truly believe that good manners with gentle words can save the world nowadays. Gentleness with strength is crucial for effective conflict resolution and an even better tool to prevent conflicts and misunderstandings in the first place.

Mister Rogers also introduced me to American culture. He made clear that basic human values transcend political systems, and that each culture holds wisdom and treasures which are crucial in creating peaceful and meaningful lives.

He was an advocate for American culture. His values are even more important and relevant to us in today's global economy, because we need to work together more than ever with all the people in the world. There is no country as tolerant and appreciative of different cultures as America. As Mister Rogers told us, let's be grateful and show our gratitude to others. Let's mobilize the diverse cultures we share to our advantage and produce global leaders and citizens for the 21st century."

October - Harvesting ideas!

10/7 - Melinda Young will introduce us to Natalie Campana who will describe multimedia in the classroom.

10/14 Mike Mehalik is bringing a small cast of speakers to review with us the many levies on the ballot this year, in order to help us understand what we are being asked to vote for and fund.

10/21 Mike Florak will have us meet Dr. Scott Allen, professor at John Carroll University, who will discuss leadership among millennials.

10/28 Dan Keenan will present Dr. Mark Furda, Director of Graduate Education at FUS who will tell us how teachers and administrators are licensed.

September - guns to guitars!

9/2 Jimmie Bruce let us meet his wife Cyndi, who shared some sobering statistics on Alzheimer's disease which affects 5.4 million Americans. She is working with a regional organization in order to bring awareness to Jefferson County and assistance to caregivers and families facing this tragic illness.

9/9 Bruce Trushel presented Mark Miller and Bill Cattrell, two fine musicians. Bill showed us several decades of different guitars with a brief history of each. The two played selections on these very different instruments in the styles for which they were designed.

9/16 Vice President Alan Hall let Erika Lyons, our OSU Co-op Service educator, describe her work and her interest in plant pathology, particularly fungi. Her focus as educator is on Family/Consumer Science, Community Development and protecting Agricultural/Natural Resources.

9/23 Chuck Govey introduced Roger Isla, who described his interest in fire arms and their proper usage. He listed the elements of self defense as Innocence (no aggression), Imminence (here and now), Proportionality (non-deadly vs. deadly) and Reasonableness (of fear).

9/30 Carolyn Glaub presented Joe Wallace, a native to our area, who has come home to take on the job of basketball coach at Franciscan. He wants to rebuild the great sports tradition from the Kuzma days, using a brick-by-brick approach to achieve championship levels. He wants to recruit locally as well as far and wide.

Up to bat - with Mike

It's Not What Happens to You!



I was struggling what to write about this month. We are trying to survive the passing of my close co-worker, Anita Jackson, and there are many things going on in various facets right now. One name kept popping into my head and would not allow me to forget it. That name is W. Mitchell.

I first spoke publicly about my battle with Crohn's disease which ate up most of my 20's. I survived eight flare-ups in which I lost 40 pounds four times and 60 pounds four other times to accompany the physical and emotional pain through which I was trying to fight. Through eight surgeries and four blood transfusions, the grace of God and love of family and friends, I was able to go on with my life and embarked on a coaching career. I was wrestling with using the platform that I had, beginning to share my story so others could benefit from the hardships I overcame. In the spring of 1999, a friend called and volunteered me to be a counselor at the United Ostomy Youth Rally in Boulder, Colorado later that summer.

The first thing I witnessed at the rally in Boulder was very moving. I watched young children get off the bus to register for the rally. They were young children who had suffered through many of the same things that I had, except they would never get to experience a healthy childhood and early adulthood like I was fortunate to do. Then all of us counselors met W. Mitchell. He was the final push that changed my attitude about what it really means to overcome adversity.

Mitchell told us his incredible personal story of perseverance. He was a very healthy former Marine in his twenties when one day his motorcycle collided into a large truck and the gas cap came off his cycle, resulting in an explosion that left Mitchell horribly burned over 65% of his body and charred his hands so badly that only one finger on each hand remained.

He overcame this tragedy to become the chairman of a multi-million dollar company and the mayor of a small city in Colorado, while learning to become a pilot.

About four years after the motorcycle accident, Mitchell did not properly de-ice the wings of his plane and it crashed shortly after take-off. His passengers survived mostly unhurt. Mitchell, however, was now paralyzed from the waist down.

He went on in the 80's and 90's and became an author and motivational speaker. Weeks before he appeared with us in Boulder, his doctor diagnosed him with bladder cancer. He overcame that too.

His story left all in the audience mesmerized. The title of his speech was the same title as the book he had published shortly before, *It's not what happens to you, it's what you do about it.*

After hearing Mitchell's talk and seeing the children get off the bus, I knew I had to share my story about overcoming the hard times that I had survived. I had to use my platform to help other people, just like Mitchell did.

As Rotarians and leaders of our community, I hope we can take all of our experiences and the tough times we have

survived as a city, to be an example to other cities facing the same challenges. I really believe that there are great things ahead for our area, despite some of the challenges that we will face. ***It's not what has happened to us, it is what we will do about it.***

[NOTE: Congratulations, Mike, on your induction into the Catholic Central High School Hall of Fame!]

October Birthdays

This month, we will get to have a little fun with Gary Cain, Pete Chalfant, Jody Glaub, Marty Hauser, Chris Irvin and Michelle Brower.

Dates to Remember:

10/10 Chamber/Herald Star Speaker Series - VIP reception at the YWCA.

10/12 Wine (and beer) Wednesday. This month we will meet at Froelich's Classic Corner at 5:00 pm.

10/14 Rotary Board meets at 11:00. All are welcome to come, participate and get credit for a make-up too!

10/23 Concert and Dinner in Cleveland, OH to celebrate the Rotary Foundation's 100th birthday. Visit www.trf100.org for information and tickets.

6/10-14/17 RI Convention in Atlanta

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. . . That we had two raffle winners in September? Congratulations to Christine Hargrave and Suzanne Govey Allen (second month in a row).

. . . That our 50/50 winners were Janet King, Mike Mehalik, Sue Hershey and Carolyn Glaub.

. . . That President Mike is "reintroducing" us to each other? This month, he presented Jimmie Bruce, Ashley Steel, Bruce Trushel, Chuck Govey and Charley Joyce.

Five Important Lessons:

[Lesson #3 "Always Remember Those who Serve"]

In the days when an ice cream sundae cost much less, a ten year old boy entered a hotel coffee shop and sat at a table. A waitress put a glass of water in front of him. "How much is an ice cream sundae?" he asked.

"Fifty cents," replied the waitress.

The little boy pulled his hand out of his pocket and studied the coins in it. "Well, how much is a plain dish of ice cream?" He inquired.

By now, more people were waiting for a table and the waitress was growing impatient. "Thirty-five cents," she brusquely replied.

The child counted his coins again and said, "I'll have the plain ice cream."

The waitress brought the ice cream, put the bill on the table and walked away. The boy finished the ice cream, paid the cashier and left.

When the waitress came back she began to cry as she wiped the table. There, placed beside the empty dish were two nickels and five pennies. You see, he couldn't have the sundae, because he had to have enough left to leave her a tip.

Editorial: *Remembering Legends*

Anita Jackson - We were friends who shared many things. We both loved music and loved to sing. We both believed God was good. We both loved to work hard. We both could gossip - but only between the two of us.

But Anita was in a class by herself as a volunteer. Her work ethic took "pray without ceasing" a step farther, for her work, it seemed, was never done. A couple of weeks ago, she stood in my driveway, so tired she could hardly walk. But she still had more places to go, more things to accomplish.

I will miss her little trill of a voice on the phone, her persistent creation of an agenda for every meeting, her car filled with everything imaginable just so she wouldn't forget something. But most of all, I'll miss her loving spirit. When this very private friend let Patricia Fletcher tell me she was "in the slammer," I knew right away where she was. She and my husband Bob shared the term for "the hospital." (Must be an Adena thing) I worried so when I heard because I knew she was ignoring doctors to do good for others. Although she chose Kiwanis over Rotary, I'm sure when she meets Paul Harris, he will welcome her to Rotary heaven where an angel like Anita practices "service above self."

Dr. Jane Shaffer - In Toronto, the loss of this beloved doctor is a big deal. My father thought this was the smartest woman he had ever met. Jane was a working wonder until she was 90. She never forgot any prescription she wrote for you, she remembered to ask about your family, she looked at you intently, like she was x-raying you as you stood on the street. She was a dynamo with a heart of gold. In the past couple of years, when she left Toronto behind to live elsewhere, she never really left us. When people would visit her, her questions about us locals were fast and furious. She was truly a legend in our town, in our local hospital and in our local culture. Many people believed she was an angel - and now she is.

Arnold Palmer - He is the reason my dad took up golf. If a regular guy, who loved to fly, could get good at that game, my dad figured he could too. No matter whether you are a sports fan or not, the impact Arnie's Army had on the popularity of "watching golf" was unmeasured. He was a great humanitarian, great spokesperson for his sport and great legend in his own time.

Centennial Celebration:

Our District Governor Sieglinde has urged us to celebrate the 100th year of the Rotary International Foundation at a meeting during November. Our program chairs for that month are Charley Joyce, Barry Gullen and Pete Olivito. Perhaps one of them will choose to work with Kathy and Mike on a Foundation Celebration.

Time for some Humor:

Did you know that October 15th is "Sweetest Day?" Here are thoughts from kids about love & marriage:

How do you decide who to marry?

Alan (age 10) - You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports and she should keep the chips and dip coming.

Kristen (age 10) - No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before and you get to find out later who you're stuck with.

What is the right age to get married?

Camille (age 10) - Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then.

How can a stranger tell if two people are married?

Derrick (age 8) - You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids.

What do you think your mom and dad have in common?

Lori (age 8) - Both don't want any more kids.

What do most people do on a date?

Lynette (age 8) - Dates are for having fun and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough.

Martin (age 10) - On the first date, they just tell each other lies and that usually gets them interested enough to go for a second date.

What would you do on a first date that was turning sour?

Craig (age 9) - I'd run home and play dead. The next day I would call all the newspapers and make sure they wrote about me in all the dead columns.

When is it okay to kiss someone?

Pam (age 7) - When they're rich.

Curt (age 7) The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that.

Howard (age 8) - The rule goes like this: If you kiss someone, then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do.

Is it better to be single or married?

Anita (age 9) - It's better for girls to be single but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them.

How would the world be different if people didn't get married?

Kelvin (age 8) - There sure would be a lot of kids to explain, wouldn't there?

How would you make a marriage work?

Ricky (age 10) - Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a dump truck.

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Courage of our Convictions

There is only one more week of political anxiety for the citizens of the U.S. to face. Everyone has grown weary of the accusations, the name-calling, the innuendo and the lack of substance in the campaign for president. We have been luckier locally, since the candidates here have been civil to each other and have focused on the needs of the community, basically running on their records and skills.

It has been interesting to read the local newspaper's slant on the candidates and the qualifications. Certainly, each of us knows where Ross Gallabrese stands on the issues and the candidates. He has shown us that he has the courage of his convictions. Whether you agree with Ross or not, the point is that each of us should decide what will occur in that very private voting booth individually. Ross is not telling you how to vote. He is telling you how he will vote and why he thinks it is in the best interest of the community and the country.

Someone else may think differently and has the opportunity to express that opinion in a letter to the editor for the same exposure as Ross has had. Having the courage to say what you think publicly is a right guaranteed to us by our Constitution. We also have the right not to publicize what we think or how we'll vote.

What should concern us as Rotarians is the role of the "public servant." Once elected, that individual should no longer be a "politician," but rather a servant of the people, acting in the best interest of as many of us as possible. Rotary's focus on service could and should be a measuring stick for the success of our public servants. If you assess the work of our commissioners, council members, governor, representative, senator and president, who of them has put into practice the Four-Way-Test of the things they think, say or do. It is this record that a Rotarian voter should observe in candidates. Imagine how civil, how ethical and effective our government would be if our candidates **had** to observe the Four-Way Test.

October - Raking up ideas!

10/7 - Natalie Compana directs the multimedia program at SHS. She described the state-of-the art equipment used by students to live stream many Big Red activities, such as football, plays and concerts.

10/14 Melinda Young urged us to vote for the Steubenville schools operating levy which will replace the retiring bond issue. Todd Phillipson asked us to renew the levy at the JCJVS. Mike Mehalik described the many people who benefit from the mental health renewal levy.

10/21 Nicole Adamski, sales director at The Inn at Franciscan Square, described the hotel and explained how working with Best Western allowed Franciscan to put a very university-focused look to the new facility.

10/28 Dr. Mark Furda, Director of Graduate Education at FUS, outlined the program built by Dan Keenan, enhanced by Charley Joyce and now, under his guidance, providing opportunities for a Masters in Education, Administration and Licensures.

November - Give Thanks!

11/4 Charley Joyce will introduce us to Karin McGraw who directs the Pittsburgh VA Health Care System. She will describe its services and complexities.

11/11 Pete Olivito, who brought us Quincy Wilson in February, will present another local character, Sheriff Fred Abdalla. As always, the Sheriff will give us the straight scoop on what is going on in law enforcement in Jefferson County.

11/18 Barry Gullen will give us insight into the Ohio High School Athletic Association when he brings us Angelina Forte, a teacher and East District board member of its state board.

11/25 THANKSGIVING FRIDAY! We will not meet so that each of us can enjoy families, left overs and (Oh no!) Christmas shopping.

COMING SOON -

12/2 - Meet Bill Cornell, a double-lung transplant survivor.

12/9 - Annual Children's Christmas Party

1/7 - Bill Flanagan from Allegheny Conference on Community Relations and Regional Employment Development.



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Up to bat - with Mike

A Rare Person to Know . . .

It is a blessing to witness those rare people who are totally selfless, genuinely caring and give endlessly to their communities while giving all of the glory to God. These people seem

to have an amazing energy about them that positively uplifts all of those around them. They seem to be able to work incredibly long hours yet never be tired, and are able to take on immense responsibilities without ever letting anyone down, and never seeming like they are in the least bit inconvenienced by bearing the cross of carrying that much weight on their shoulders

I had the good fortune of working with such a rare person for the past five plus years. The person to whom I am referring is, of course, Anita Jackson.

I had met Anita over the years since I had grown up in Steubenville. I was caught up in the things that were going on in my young life and didn't give much thought to who-did-what and how important they were to our community then. Now that I look back, we would be hard-pressed to find anyone who ever gave so much to Steubenville and the surrounding area.

If I listed the local organizations upon which Anita made an impact, I would be able to use those lists as my last seven columns for our Rotary newsletter and there would be enough material for the next three presidents to use for their columns. She was the point person for many of them, recently including the Franciscan University Women's Scholarship Guild, the International Student Luncheon, the local National Day of Prayer service, the Martin Luther King Prayer Breakfast and numerous programs and events for Black History Month.

As of September of this year, Anita was serving on at least fifteen (15) local boards and committees, all dedicated to service, fund-raising and improving the quality of life for our citizens here in Jefferson County. She had an especially big heart for the causes that benefitted the local schools, and it would be impossible to list how many things she did to reach out to the local community via her position as Director of Community Relations at Franciscan and in several other roles during her 40 plus years at FUS.

She did all of this with a smile on her face. She had a great sense of humor and she was always up for practical jokes - and being on the giving and receiving side of them. When we would talk about what we did away from work, she almost always talked about her work with her church and some type of service that she performed for a faith based group.

Anita was very talented. She was a good writer, and many of you know what an incredible voice she had when it came to singing. She almost always became the leader of an event or committee, taking on the responsibility of what should have often been the work of three people. For this, she wanted none of the credit. Every time I would congratulate her on another successful event, she would respond, "God is good."

God was good to us when he blessed our community with such a faithful servant to Him and to the local organizations for good causes. When God called her home a few weeks ago, if ever the words at Heaven's gate were

spoken, "Well done, good and faithful servant," certainly Anita heard them, because it would be difficult for anyone to have done more.

Thank you, my friend, for your service and inspirations as a leader for God's plan in this community. Recently, when I feel overwhelmed and want to walk away from responsibility, I think of the work ethic of our Anita, and it inspires me to press on. It was the only way that she ever knew, and I know God is indeed good because I knew her.

November Birthdays

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. . . That we had two raffle winners in October? Congratulations to Keith Murdock and Gary Cain.

. . . That our 50/50 winners were Jody Glaub, guest Sierra Porter, Mike Mehalik and Bruce Trushel?

. . . That President Mike reintroduced Christine Hargrave, Adam Scurti, Mike Mehalik and new member Pete Rososchi, who was inducted on 10/28, sponsored by Pres. Mike.

Five Important Lessons:

[Lesson #4 "The Obstacle in our Path"]

In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the King's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it. Many loudly blamed the King for not keeping the roads clear. But none did anything about getting the stone out of the way.

Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded. After the peasant picked up his load, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been.

The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the King indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway. The peasant learned what many of us never understand. Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition.

Editorial/Time for Humor:

A message from the Queen

To the citizens of the United States of America from Her Sovereign Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

In light of your failure to nominate competent candidates for President of the USA and thus to govern yourselves, we hereby give notice of the revocation of your independence, effective immediately. HRH Queen Elizabeth II will resume monarchical duties over all states, commonwealths and territories (except North Dakota, which she does not fancy.)

Your new Prime Minister will appoint a governor for America without the need for further elections. Congress and the Senate will be disbanded. A questionnaire may be circulated next year to determine whether any of you noticed.

To aid in the transition to a British Crown dependency, the following rules are introduced with immediate effect:

1. The letter "u" will be reinstated in words such as "colour, favour, labour and neighbour." Likewise, you will learn to spell doughnut without skipping half the letters and the suffix "ize" will be replaced by the suffix "ise." Generally, you will be expected to raise your vocabulary to acceptable levels. [NOTE: Look up "vocabulary."]
2. Using the same twenty-seven words interspersed with filler noises such as "like" and "you know" is an unacceptable and inefficient form of communication. There is no such thing as U.S. English. We will let Microsoft know on your behalf. The Microsoft spell-checker will be adjusted to take into account the reinstated letter "u" and the elimination of "ize."
3. July 4th will no longer be celebrated as a holiday.
4. You will learn to resolve personal issues without using guns, lawyers or therapists. The fact that you need so many lawyers and therapists shows that you're not ready to be independent. Guns are only to be used for shooting grouse. If you can't sort things out without suing someone or speaking to a therapist, then you're not ready to shoot grouse.
5. Therefore, you will no longer be allowed to own or carry anything more dangerous than a vegetable peeler, although a permit will be required if you wish to carry a vegetable peeler in public.
6. All intersections will be replaced with roundabouts and you will start driving on the left side with immediate effect. At the same time, you will go metric with immediate effect and without the benefit of conversion tables. Both roundabouts and metrication will help you understand the British sense of humour.
7. The former USA will adopt UK prices on petrol (which you have been calling gasoline) at roughly \$10/US per gallon. Get used to it!
8. You will learn to make real chips. Those things you call French fries are not real chips and those things you insist on calling potato chips are properly called crisps. Real

chips are thick cut, fried in animal fat and dressed not with catsup but with vinegar.

9. The cold, tasteless stuff you insist on calling beer is not actually beer at all. Henceforth, only proper British Bitter will be referred to as beer. European brews of known and accepted provenance will be referred to as Lager. Australian beer is also acceptable, as they are pound for pound the greatest sporting nation on earth and it can only be due to the beer. They are also part of the British Commonwealth - as are you now. See what it did for them! American brands will be referred to as Near-Frozen Gnat's Urine, so that all can be sold without risk of further confusion.

10. Hollywood will be required occasionally to cast English actors as good guys. Hollywood will also be required to cast English actors to play English characters. Watching Andie Macdowell attempt English dialect in "Four Weddings and a Funeral" was an experience akin to having one's ears removed with a cheese grater.

11. You will cease playing American football. There is only one kind of proper football; you call it soccer.

Those of you brave enough will, in time, be allowed to play rugby (which has some similarities to American football, but does not involve stopping for a rest every twenty seconds or wearing full Kevlar body armour like a bunch of nancies.)

12. Further, you will stop playing baseball. It is not reasonable to host an event called the World Series for a game which is not played outside of America. Since only 2.1% of you are aware there is a world beyond your borders, your error is understandable.

Instead, you will learn Cricket **and we will let you face the Australians first to take the sting out of their deliveries.**

13. You must tell us who killed JFK. It's been driving us mad.

14. An internal revenue agent (i.e. tax collector) from Her Majesty's government will be with you shortly to ensure the acquisition of all monies due (backdated to 1776).

15. Daily Tea Time begins promptly at 4:00 PM with proper cups with saucers (never mugs) and with high quality biscuits (cookies) and cakes. Strawberries (with cream) will be served when in season.

God Save The Queen! [This concludes my political editorial for this election season. I love the Queen!]

Centennial Celebration:

Our District Governor Sieglinde has urged us to celebrate the 100th year of the Rotary International Foundation at a meeting during November. Due to previously scheduled programs, we will have our celebration on January 27th. The event will feature "A Visit from Paul Harris" with a cameo appearance from Arch Klumph, Foundation founder.

Let's Meet . . .

New member Pete Rosaschi is head coach of Lacrosse and Assistant Athletic Director at Franciscan. He has been married to Beth for 28 years. They have six kids. He was born in Brooklyn, NY, graduated from the US Merchant Marine Academy, served for five years in the Naval Reserve before earning his MBA in finance from CW Post College. He came to FUS early in 2000 and began a youth program to teach Lacrosse to children. His well-coached FUS Lacrosse team has achieved success for his players. Welcome!

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Making Choices

When in need of inspiration (or filler, for that matter), *The Rotarian*, (as you know) is my go-to resource. This month, there is such an apropos article. It is entitled "Option Overload" and as we approach the holidays, it was spot-on appropriate for what we face this month. Decisions, decisions, decisions!!!

The very clever writer (Steve Almond, a regular contributor to *The Rotarian*) admitted that he is the second type of decision maker. Type one, according to Harvard and New York University studies, is fast, implicit and emotional. Type two is slower, explicit and more logical. And guess what? There are apps to help you. So Steve downloaded an app to assist him in deciding what to get his young son for his birthday.

It all started for Steve when his wife and children took a few days to visit her parents while he had a big project to complete. He finished the work and found he had a free evening to spare, so he decided to watch a child-free, wife-free movie on Netflix. While attempting to decide what to watch, he found that his internet research had taken two and half hours and that he was about to start a movie at 11:27 PM.

[NOTE: When I was in seminary, I wrote a paper called "Not to Decide Is to Decide." I may have been ahead of my time on that one.]

Steve outsourced all of his decision-making to a smart phone app for a week. It included what to get his two-year old for a birthday gift, whether to get pets and whether to go to his in-laws for Thanksgiving (which took into consideration "Marital Preference" and "Potential Guilt."). Steve went with his family, by the way.

The article goes on for a couple of pages until Steve gets a request from a friend and fellow writer about allowing an essay of his to be published on a website without any compensation for him. He presents the pros and cons and admits his own position. Then he chooses the best "app" for decision making that any Rotarian has at hand - "The Four Way Test." His thinking through the issues and how he resolves this challenge make a great conclusion to his article (pp 48-51 in the current issue).

Whether you find an app to help you choose Christmas gifts or menus or vacations or life-

changing decisions like moving from New England to California, you will never find a more reliable tool than the Four Way Test of the things we think, say or do. Many Rotarians practice this methodology and for good reason. It works. Good luck with your choices this holiday season - and that's the truth!

December - A Few Changes!

12/2 -Michelle Brower will introduce us to double-lung transplant survivor/thriver Bill Cornell, who will discuss organ donation.

12/9 The Children's Christmas Party will be held at Garfield School on Monday, December 12th at 1:00 PM. Rotarians are welcome to attend and help. Our speaker today will be Sophie Spencer, YWCA director who will tell us how a New York school teacher ended up as Director of Steubenville's YWCA.

12/16 Sue Hershey has asked Judge Michelle Miller to talk with us about changes which have occurred since she became our county's first female judge in 2014.

12/23 - No Meeting - Merry Christmas

12/30 - Field Trip to Scaffidi's for a pasta making demonstration by Rotarian Frank DiCarlantonio.

1/7 - Pittsburgher Bill Flanagan will discuss regional employment and community relations. Thanks Ross.

November - Thanks to All!

11/4 Charley Joyce presented Steve Young (husband to Rotarian Melinda Young) who described the services and complexities of receiving them through the Veteran's Administration based in Pittsburgh.

11/11 Pete Olivito had a wonderful introduction, allowing us to know Sheriff Fred Abdalla a little better. On Veteran's Day, the Sheriff had brief remarks about his challenges. The meeting concluded with a tribute to Veterans by Dick McGowan reading a moving letter from a soldier to his wife, accompanied by his daughter Liza on violin and Christine at the piano.

11/18 Barry Gullen had us meet Angelina Forte, a teacher and District board member of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. Her explanation of the complexities of high school athletics was informative. Many had questions for her following the meeting about specific situations.

11/25 THANKSGIVING FRIDAY and SATURDAY - Big Red, The Steelers and the Buckeyes! What a weekend!



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A Most Wonderful Time . . .

Steubenville is filled with activity - very worthwhile activity. Let's start with the "Nutcracker Village." How

inspiring! How awesome! How creative! How free!

Thank you to organizers, creators, volunteers and vendors who have made our downtown a go-to place for miles around. This holiday season, Steubenville is the place to be!

There is hustle and bustle like "the old days." It smells good downtown. It feels happy there. People with cameras are everywhere. You can visit the murals (Thanks, Louise), the restaurants, the Fort and see the new magnificent tree.

Don't forget the many events at FUS. There are concerts and worship experiences. Many area churches are doing special services as well. This holiday there are so many opportunities to be excited about where we live and those with whom we live. Steubenville Rotary is at the heart of this festive joy.

Although there is a change this year, we still have to help put together a very special Christmas party for some super-special kids in Steubenville schools. Please stay a little longer on Friday (with wrapping paper, scissors and tape) to get those gifts ready. Those who have time are encouraged to go the East School on Monday 12/12 @ 12:30 to help Michelle and Andrea prepare the children for Santa's visit.

How could we not rejoice and cheer on our beloved Big Red! Facing another state final, they travel to Columbus on Friday! Roll Red Roll!!

The Christmas parade is just around the corner. Please join us on the float - or beside it if Cory's driving scares you a bit. Meet on 12/10.

How wonderful to have Scott Lane (Bob's son) as our Interact leader from Steubenville High School. He has brought students each week since assuming this position. I think we are on the way to having a "feeder program" for our club - and I am grateful to Andrea and Kathy for finding such interested leadership.

I am excited about Christmas with my wonderful young family. I am excited to be leading you as we face a new year and new challenges. I am so excited that Kathy and Carolyn are very close to having our Rotary club involved in an international project.

Merry Christmas to all - and to all - keep up the good work. I still have six months to go!

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Did you know . . .

. . . That the website for Rotary make-ups on line is www.rotary.org, then search for e-clubs? Be sure Kathy gets a copy of your online make-up form.

. . . That our November guests included Scott Lane with Lauren Ferrell, Jay Glasure, Alyssa Burkett and Casia Marshall from Big Red (our Interactors), Betty Ferrin, John Kepner, Rich Wilinski with Jake Bolger and Kenzi Zamberlin from Catholic Central and a special appearance from Thom Turkey of the Urban Mission.

. . . That we had two raffle winners in November? Congratulations to Bruce Trushel and Jim Baber.

. . . That our 50/50 winners were Keith Murdock, Betty Ferrin, and Charley Joyce.

. . . That President Mike reintroduced Jim Emmerling and Marty Hauser.

Five Important Lessons:

[Lesson #5 "Giving When it Counts"]

Many years ago, when I worked as a volunteer at a hospital, I got to know a little girl named Liz who was suffering from a rare and serious disease. Her only chance of recovery appeared to be a blood transfusion from her 5-year old brother, who had miraculously survived the same disease and had developed the antibodies needed to combat the illness.

The doctor explained the situation to her little brother and asked the little boy if he would be willing to give his blood to his sister. I saw him hesitate for only a moment before taking a deep breath and saying, "Yes, I'll do it if it will save her." As the transfusion progressed, he lay in bed next to his sister and smiled as we all did, seeing the color returning to her cheeks.

Then his face grew pale and his smile faded. He looked up at the doctor and asked with a trembling voice, "Will I start to die right away?" Being so young, the child had misunderstood the doctor. He thought he was going to have to give his sister all of his blood in order to save her. He was giving life to her.

Editorial/Time for Humor:*I Love December . . .*

At my house, it's Christmas. Thanksgiving is over. The smell of turkey is almost (but not quite) gone, and to my husband's dismay, I gave away most of the leftovers, including the sweet potatoes. I am a leftover hater, also a sweet potato hater, but there is no good excuse for me giving away something he likes so much. (Apologies to Bob.)

As soon as that roaster gets returned to its appropriate shelf, I am so done with Thanksgiving and so ready to move on to my very favorite holiday of the year. I love Christmas mainly because it is the celebration of the birthday of Jesus. (On this point, Bob might disagree, because he thinks I like giving presents most of all.)

For the past two years, I have had the pleasure of getting out my collection of nativity scenes with my granddaughter Kaitlin. I have ten significant sets, plus some little one piecers that I enjoy tucking into bathrooms and bedrooms. She and I discuss where the "East" is, so the kings are properly placed. We like to keep the angels with the shepherds (Obviously, she says), since the angels told the shepherds the "good news." We each observe the "Mary" and her relationship to her son, thus choosing where the mother and baby should be. My favorite nativity has Mary actually holding the baby Jesus. I love that. You hardly ever see it.

This year, we both noticed that sometimes it was hard to tell which "piece" was Joseph. He often looks a bit like one of the shepherds. While Joseph's role is often downplayed, I am anxious for her to be old enough that I can explain how really cool Joseph was to accept the whole premise in the first place. She's nine. That discussion can wait a few years. But really, what an amazing man of faith he was!

After every creche is in perfect position, we start on my collection of Santas. My Santa collection is much larger than the nativity collection, but each Santa has had very careful consideration, as did the manger scenes. So we move from room to room, putting each jolly old elf in a perfect spot. This year, she really got into the eyes of the Santas. "This one is really looking right at me," she said.

"Looks that way to me," I replied. "So many have blue eyes," she remarked. "Just like yours," I patted her cheek. [NOTE: She has remarkable blue eyes.]

When they were all in place, we started on the four trees. By now, both "Ammma" and Kate are weary, so two got left without decorations for me to finish later. Then we got Daddy and Bob-Bob together for a game of cards. About half way through, she turned to her father and said, "Daddy, why don't I skip school tomorrow and we just play cards here for the rest of the day?" Her grandfather immediately agreed that was a great idea. Her practical father did not.

But what a Christmas gift to hear your grandchild want to give you her time - her free time - her play time. At my house, it's Christmas!

Merry Christmas to you and your loved ones!

A Message from George . . .

George Carlin was a brash and often gross comedian, but he was also wise and had these words to share about life.

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, watch TV too much and pray too seldom. We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life. We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We conquered outer space, but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small character, steep profits and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes, but more divorce, fancier houses, yet broken homes. These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one night stands, overweight bodies and pills that do everything from cheer to quiet to kill.

Remember, spend time with your loved ones, because they are not going to be around forever.

Remember, say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side.

Remember to give a warm hug to the one next to you because that is the only treasure you can give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember to say "I love you" to your partner and most of all to mean it. A kiss and an embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you.

Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment for someday that person will not be there again.

Give time to love, give time to speak and give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

And always remember, life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

NOTE: Steubenville Rotary sends a big thank you to DG Sieglinde for coming to Wine Wednesday. What a joy to have you with us!