

ROTARY CLUB OF YORK – EAST

District 7390 – Meetings: Tuesdays @ 7:30 a.m. Via Virtual Platform

September 2021 Newsletter

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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York East Board of Directors 2021/22

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Kris Pollick
Bob Straw - Vocational
Betsy Buckingham
Hunter Mink

Happy Birthday to you...

September

Gorter, Linda	Sep 03
Gierasch, Bill	Sep 07
Spark, Connie	Sep 12
Elser, Bob	Sep 13
Comery, Karen	Sep 21
Agarwal, Nik	Sep 22

*If your September birthday is not listed, please contact
Bob Elser at navman9@comcast.net or
Friedel Liebe-Elser at friedel.liebe@gmail.com

Rotary Membership Anniversaries

Craft, Jim	Sep 01 1985
Kile, Jeff	Sep 05 2017
Elser, Bob	Sep 11 1993
Hochhalter, Cindy	Sep 17 2013
Bankos, Joanne	Sep 24 1987

September Programs

9/7 Where were you 9/11/2001?
9/14 Discussion about York-East Charitable Foundation
9/21 Golf Outing – Annual Fundraising event
Heritage Hills – Registration: 10 am / Shotgun 11.00 am
9/28 to be announced

York East currently meets via ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING platform only. Instructions on how to join the virtual meeting will be sent to our members via the email meeting reminder each Monday.

YORK EAST ROTARY BOARD MEETING

Board Meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2021
7:30 a.m. via ZOOM Virtual Platform

WEEKLY MEMBER PARTICIPATION:

At this time the York East Secretary takes attendance through ZOOM Virtual Platform

A Message from Elizabeth Wolf

Rotary Foundation Recognition

Congratulations and thank you to donors to The Rotary Foundation who were recognized at our August 24th club meeting at Leg Up Farm:

Jim Walters – PHF+8

Bob Elser – PHF +5, +6, +7 and Benefactor

Friedel Liebe-Elser – PHF +5, +6 and Benefactor

Chris Izzo – PHF +4

Randy Nauman – PHF +4

Angie Hartman – PHF +4

Greg Kern – PHF +3

Linda Gorter – PHF +3

Bill Gierasch – PHF +2

Hunter Mink – PHF +1

Tim Koller – PHF +1

Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.

Over time, Rotary's reach and vision gradually extended to humanitarian service.

Arch C. Klumph is known as The Father of The Rotary Foundation. A native Pennsylvanian, whose family moved to Cleveland, Ohio, he became a founding member of the Rotary Club of Cleveland in 1911. As club president in 1913, he advocated for the club to build a reserve that would ensure its means to do future good work. This idea would stay with him as he moved on to serve Rotary in other roles.

Five years after he became a Rotarian, Klumph was elected to serve as Rotary's president for 1916-17. Near the end of his term, at the 1917 Rotary Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, he reminded Rotarians that "Rotary is at the present time entering a new era, demanding improved methods in administrative machinery, with which to carry out the splendid principles which have been laid down heretofore." [Sound familiar?] He defined six points of action, including the establishment of an endowment, which would later become The Rotary Foundation

"Carrying on, as we are, a miscellaneous community service, it seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world, in charitable, educational or other avenues of community progress, or such funds could be well used for extension work."

Through Klumph's simple yet profound statement, the Rotary Endowment Fund was born. In 1928, the name formally changed to The Rotary Foundation, and a Board of Trustees was established, with Klumph serving as the first trustee chair from 1928 to 1935.

That commitment endures today through an organization that remains truly international. Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs on six continents. Our members now span the globe, working to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.

Rotary is not afraid to dream big and set bold goals. We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only two countries — down from 125 in 1988.

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world, focusing on:

- Promoting peace
- Fighting disease
- Providing clean water, sanitation and hygiene
- Saving mothers and children
- Supporting education
- Growing local economies
- Protecting the environment
- And of course, our ongoing goal of eradicating polio

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

What impact can one donation have?

- For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.
- \$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.

- \$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

As The Rotary Foundation (TRF) loves to do, at our August 24th meeting we took the opportunity to recognize, congratulate and thank generous donors to the Foundation who have reached another milestone in their personal philanthropy.

What are milestones you are approaching?

- A sustaining member is one who donates \$100 every year to TRF
- A Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) is a donor who has reached cumulative giving of \$1,000 to TRF. The PHF pin signifies this achievement.
- Every subsequent \$1,000 is recognized with the PHF pin embellished with a gemstone for each level.
- A Major Donor has reached cumulative giving of \$10,000, and is awarded a square pin. Each subsequent \$10,000 will be marked with diamonds added to the pin. We have 5 Major Donors in our club:
 - Pete Lutz,
 - JinJou Meighen,
 - John Schmitt
 - Connie Spark
 - Elizabeth Wolf.
- A Benefactor is anyone who informs the Foundation in writing the s/he has made provision in their will or other estate planning, naming the Foundation's Endowment Fund as beneficiary; or anyone who makes an outright gift of \$1,000 or more to the Foundation's Endowment Fund

- Paul Harris Society members have committed to \$1,000 per year donation to The Rotary Foundation and are recognized with an attachment to their PHF pin
- Polio Plus Society members have committed to \$100 per year donation to Polio Plus and receive a PPS pin

York-East has consistently and generously supported The Rotary Foundation:

- 42 of our 58 members made donations to TRF in the Rotary year ended on June 30, 2021. That's 72!

- Six of our members contribute electronically through Rotary Direct
- We have only one member with no contributions (yet) to TRF.
- We have 2 members on the cusp of their first Paul Harris recognition – each within \$100 or \$200 of that \$1,000 goal.
- We have 6 fairly new givers – thank you!
- All of the remaining club members have received a PHF recognition, very many at multiple levels.
- Cumulative club giving over the years exceeds \$306,000!

Support for the York East Golf Outing is teeing off!

The excitement is building! Sponsorships for the September 21st York East Golf Outing at Heritage Hills are coming in.

Thank you

Master Sponsors:

- Gem Boutique
- The Panaro Group at Morgan Stanley

Beverage Sponsor:

- Brewery Products

For information about the event and how you can support our Golf Outing please **contact Becky Disney:** bdisney@greaterpawv.wish.org.