

# Avon Rotary News

## November 2016



### President's Perspective

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Here we are in the Month of November. It is the time of year to be especially thankful. I know I am thankful for Rotary and especially our club. We all do so much to Serve Humanity. We had a great October. We have items coming in for the upcoming Rotary Auction. We had a great crew for the Roadside Clean up. We had a very successful Halloween party. I would like to thank Shannon, Terry, and Laurie for putting that together. There were a lot of great costumes along with fun and games.

Many of you know that November is Foundation Month. The Foundation is celebrating 100 years. I encourage everyone that can to become sustaining members. Also

I would really like to have everyone participate in the "Every Rotarian Every Year" initiative. This involves everyone in the club donating \$26.50 in addition to anything they already give. This \$26.50 represents the first check written to the foundation by its founder Arch Klumpf. Kirk will explain the Foundation in more detail throughout November. The Foundation is Rotary's driving force.

I am also looking forward to the Rotary/Lions joint Thanksgiving meeting. That will be coming up on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. It should be a fun filled event. It is always great to get together with likeminded people.

President Scott

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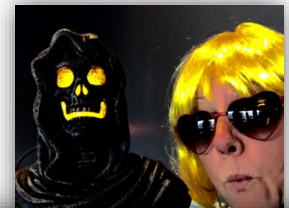
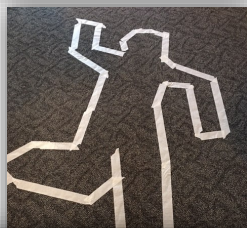
Be the reason  
someone smiles  
today.



Avon Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at 6pm at Avon Commons Clubhouse

# Halloween Fun

October 25—Many thanks to Shannon & Terry for decorating for our 'annual' Halloween party. They did a great job, complete with some fun activities. Thanks to all who contributed to our buffet with a dish to pass. Plenty of food for all to share. Our attendance wasn't stellar but those there had a good time!



## Rambling On Rotary



By: Bruce Amey

Following our Rotary Honors celebration in September, the November edition of *The Rotarian*, with its "cartoon" article on Arch Klumph and "His Dream of the Rotary Foundation", was a keeper. Again, this is the 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration for the Rotary Foundation. As the article illustrated, during 2014-15 Foundation grants funded programs internationally that supported mothers and children, education, fighting disease, provided clean water, promoted peace, growing local economies, and eradicating polio. As President of the International Association of Rotary Clubs, at the Annual Convention held in Atlanta in 1917 (the same location as this year's Rotary International Convention), Mr. Klumph promoted that Rotary's ideal of *Service Above Self* needed to become focused stating, "...it seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world." That was the seed for the start of the Rotary Foundation.

Also noted in the November issue, those of us who remember the music of the 60s and 70s were pleased to see that *Hurdy Gurdy Man* Donovan is a Rotary Polio Ambassador. As I always enjoyed his music, I never knew Donovan was a polio survivor.

The Avon Rotary Club's Foundation Committee has a goal that every Rotarian gives to the Foundation. November is Foundation month. If you have not done so as yet, please go to [www.rotary.org/give](http://www.rotary.org/give) and make a donation. Our club is 4757 so the club is recognized and notified of your donation; our district is 7120. Your donation will help Rotary serve our community and the world. Thank you!

During October, our club continued to serve. We had fun serving together with the fall roadside cleanup on October 22. President Scott shared that our Board of Direc-

tors has planned to use our local funds to replace the roof on the scout house. Additionally, due to the ravaging effects of Hurricane Matthew in October, our Board immediately decided to support relief efforts by sending a shelter box to Haiti. The Board, communicating with the North Carolina Rotary, is ready to assist recovery efforts there, as well. Oftentimes, I feel uncertain as to how I can help when these kinds of natural disasters occur around the world or around the corner. For me, being a part of Avon Rotary, I am very proud of how our club steps up to serve.

In November, we will celebrate Thanksgiving. For me, Thanksgiving is the best holiday of the year. Whereas I love the meaning of Christmas, the Christmas season has become incredibly commercial with a focus on gifts. To me, Thanksgiving is just that ... *a time for giving thanks* for family and for the gifts I have received. Diane and I have hosted her family for Thanksgiving dinner since 1988. Growing up, I remember Thanksgiving with my family that was always about family. Over the years, my family has changed to include many friends. When we moved to Avon in 2004, we left many friends and family in the Syracuse area. But I quickly came to realize the Avon community is a family and Avon Rotary is a focal part of this community for me. This Thanksgiving, I am thankful for my family first and foremost. This Thanksgiving, I am also thankful for you. As we carve the turkeys and watch some football, take the time to reflect on all our blessings and take a moment to give thanks.

Well, as usual, I have rambled on long enough. As I have said before, there is no lasting success without the contributions of many. I am grateful and proud to be a part of Avon Rotary.

### November Member Celebrations

#### Rotary Anniversary

- ⇒ Bruce Amey 2006
- ⇒ Charles Feller 2000
- ⇒ David Henehan 1980
- ⇒ Wayne Warriner 1986

#### Wedding Anniversary

- ⇒ Bruce Amey
- ⇒ Kirk Vanderbilt



#### Birthdays

- ⇒ Heather Ayers
- ⇒ Steve Csapo
- ⇒ Greg Johnson
- ⇒ Kirk Vanderbilt
- ⇒ Jim Varner
- ⇒ Tom Vonglis



October 22

Avon Rotary provided roadside cleanup along Route 39. Our eager volunteers did a great job early Saturday morning.

Pictured: Josh Tonra, Helen Zamboni, Marcia Cameron, Janis McMIndes (front) Bruce Amey, Jim Ryan, Kirk Vanderbilt, Rodney George (back)

## ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

Rotary



**Reminder... Food Pantry Collections**  
**3rd Tuesday Of The Month**

***This months list of needs:***

Cereal, pancake syrup, jam/jelly, canned peas/carrots, cookie mix and salad dressing





Helen 'I know!' Zamboni turned 65 on Saturday October 29th.

Her friends gave her knee pads, padding for her waist, a helmet with a light, and whistle for her bike rides.

Cub reporter Kelly Cole said that they forgot the backpack with the adult Diapers, and that the whistle was going to end up on their bedside table!!

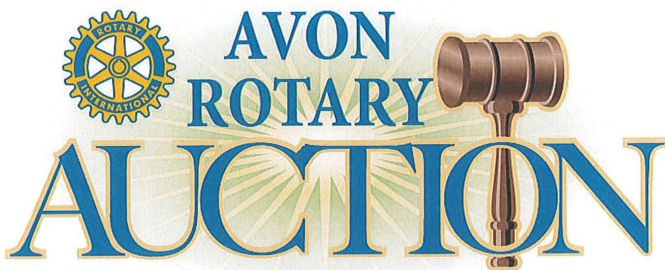


2016 Rotary Auction

November 12

Days Away... All Hands On Deck!

Get Your Auction On!



### November Club Schedule

Tues. Nov. 1	Reg. Mtg. Program: Best Buddies
Tues. Nov. 8	Reg. Mtg. Auction Final Push
Sat. Nov. 12	AUCTION
Sat. Nov. 12	Auction Dinner Celebration—Village Inn, Caledonia 6:30
Mon. Nov. 14	Board of Directors Mtg. 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 15	Reg. Mtg.
Tues. Nov. 22	Special Mtg.—Rotary/Lions Thanksgiving Dinner
Tues. Nov. 29	Reg. Mtg.

## Exchange Corner



By: Terry Lemen

Day number 88 of Henry's exchange has come and gone. It's hard to believe how quickly the time is passing. As his mother I will be happy when it is time for him to return home, but as a district country officer and former exchange student, I know how much he will miss his new families and friends when his journey ends. Henry has had the opportunity to do some traveling this month. He and his host family made a trip to Helsinki on the train. Henry thoroughly enjoyed this experience. He has fallen in love with Finland and especially Helsinki. He loved the art museum. He has also had the opportunity to meet with his fellow exchange students from Rotary Districts 1380/1400 in the city of Kokkola which is located on the coast. He had a really fun time getting to know the kids from all over.



## Best Buddies—November 1 Program



By: Jake Ayers

Last year, while watching a show, I was introduced to an organization called Best Buddies. With a little more research I discovered how impactful they are all over the world. I also was happy to discover they recently started a Rochester branch to serve all of Western New York. This past Tuesday we had the pleasure of having Bonnie Webster come to present the powerful message of Best Buddies. Through her presentation and inspirational videos we were all able to learn and discover what Best Buddies is all about. I feel their goal of inclusion for all is one that is important and they are in great need of support to further their message and continue their work in our area. I hope everyone enjoyed the program as much as I did. I would like to personally thank the Board for their generous donation to Best Buddies. If anyone wants further information please feel free to contact Bonnie Webster via email [BonnieWebster@bestbuddies.org](mailto:BonnieWebster@bestbuddies.org) or phone 585-210-9864.



**Avon Rotary Club**



## November Is Foundation Month

As Rotarians we gather together to exchange ideas and take action with like minded people. November has us focused on the Foundation and a great time to take action. This year more than ever we have reason to celebrate and show our support with the 100th anniversary of the Foundation. I encourage each of you to take the time to make

your special ‘anniversary’ contribution of \$26.50 this month. Make a difference in the fight to end Polio. Keep watching the number of Polio cases decrease around the world and take comfort knowing you helped make the children of the world safe from this disease. Ask me for more information on how you can help.

Laurie Vonglis, District 7120 Polio Chair



### Poliomyelitis (polio)

Poliomyelitis (polio) is a highly infectious viral disease, which mainly affects young children. The virus is transmitted by person-to-person spread mainly through the fecal-oral route or, less frequently, by a common vehicle (e.g. contaminated water or food) and multiplies in the intestine, from where it can invade the nervous system and can cause paralysis.

Initial symptoms of polio include fever, fatigue, headache, vomiting, stiffness in the neck, and pain in the limbs. In a small proportion of cases, the disease causes paralysis, which is often permanent. There is no cure for polio, it can only be prevented by immunization.



### Polio remains endemic in three countries

Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan. Until poliovirus transmission is interrupted in these countries, all countries remain at risk of importation of polio, especially vulnerable countries with weak public health and immunization services and travel or trade links to endemic countries.



### Contribute

Rotarians are challenged to contribute to The Rotary Foundation where the Gates Foundation will match x3 to help end Polio.

This remains Rotary Internationals #1 Goal and we truly are “this close”.

Update as of November 1, 2016		Wild Polio Case Counts		
<u>Country</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>Date of last case</u>
<b>Pakistan</b>	306	54	<b>15</b>	2 Sept 16
<b>Afghanistan</b>	28	20	<b>8</b>	10 Aug 16
<b>Nigeria</b>	6	0	<b>4</b>	20 Aug 16
<b>Total</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>27</b>	

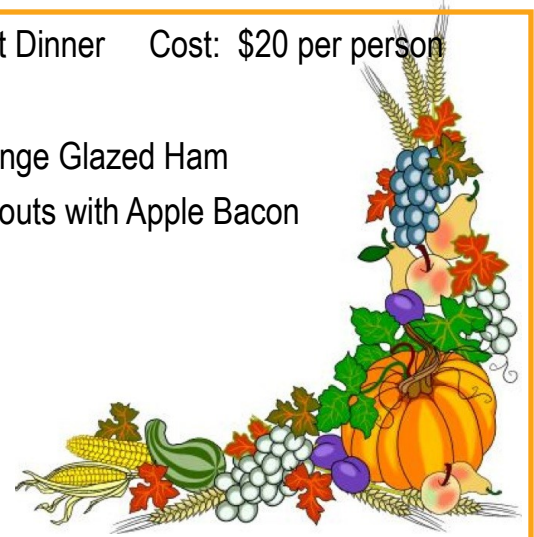
## Avon Rotary/Lions Thanksgiving Meeting

Tuesday, November 22 5:00 Cocktail Hour 6:30 Buffet Dinner Cost: \$20 per person

### Menu:

Maple Bourbon Brine Smoked Turkey Breast & Honey Orange Glazed Ham  
 Carrots in Brown Butter Vinaigrette & Roasted Brussel Sprouts with Apple Bacon  
 Cranberry Sage Stuffing & Mashed Potatoes  
 Gravy, Rolls & Butter  
 Pumpkin Pie with Vanilla Ice Cream  
 Coffee, Beer, Wine

RSVP—Sign Up or Email Laurie by 11/16



## 2016-2017 Avon Rotary Calendar of Events

Saturday, November 12, 2016:	Auction Dinner
Tuesday, November 22, 2016:	Rotary/Lions Thanksgiving Dinner
Tuesday, December 6, 2016:	Eastern Cities Dinner
Saturday, December 10, 2016:	Christmas Party
Tuesday, January 17, 2017:	Membership Event
Tuesday, February 14, 2017:	Sweethearts Dinner
Tuesday, March 14, 2017:	St. Patrick's Dinner
Saturday, April 29, 2017:	Silver Lake Drive-in
Saturday, May 13, 2017	Blue Jean Ball
May 19-21, 2017:	District Conference—Erie PA
Tuesday, May 30, 2017	Quad Cities Golf—Geneseo
June 10-14, 2017	International Conference, Atlanta
Tuesday, June 27, 2017	Change of Officers Dinner—Lima Country Club