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## Health Partners Broadens Reach in Miami County Care

22 Troy Rotarians and guests Stan Evans (Tipp) and JoAnn Swank (member Dan's wife) welcomed Health Partners Free Clinic Executive Director Justin Coby (pictured) to LaPiazza, our January home away from home.

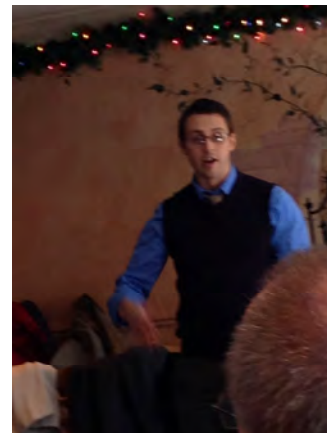
Justin gave us an update on the goings on at the Clinic, which has grown in services and responsibilities since then-Director Deb Miller spoke to us last.

The Clinic's demand continues to grow and their ability to serve as well. While they used to host 17 hours of walk ins and appointments per week, thanks to an additional full-time Nurse Practitioner, they now host 46 hours.

The Clinic spent \$3.3 million in providing medical services in 2013, seeing 1,000 unique clients over 4,000 visits. 2,400 lab work ups were done, with 16,000 prescriptions dispensed. The Clinic's clients are, by necessity, those that are uninsured or underinsured and who are typically between the ages of 35-55.

The Clinic is funded through various grants, foundations, United Way agencies, corporate sponsors, individual donors, local churches and clubs, and fundraising.

For more information, visit [www.healthpartnersclinic.org](http://www.healthpartnersclinic.org).



On Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, President Carol, Patrick, Melissa and Don will join new member Shane Carter at the Lincoln Community Center (110 Ash Street) to present the Center with \$800 worth of school supplies, toiletries and clothing, equipment, furniture, and sporting goods. This donation is made possible by the Presidential Declaration to use some of the \$2,100 in net proceeds from the 2013 Christmas Auction. Please join us if you can, as the media will hopefully cover it.

**The other day I held the door open for a clown.**

**I thought it would be a nice jester.**

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( In case you didn't know, it is now illegal to manufacture or import incandescent light bulbs in the US)





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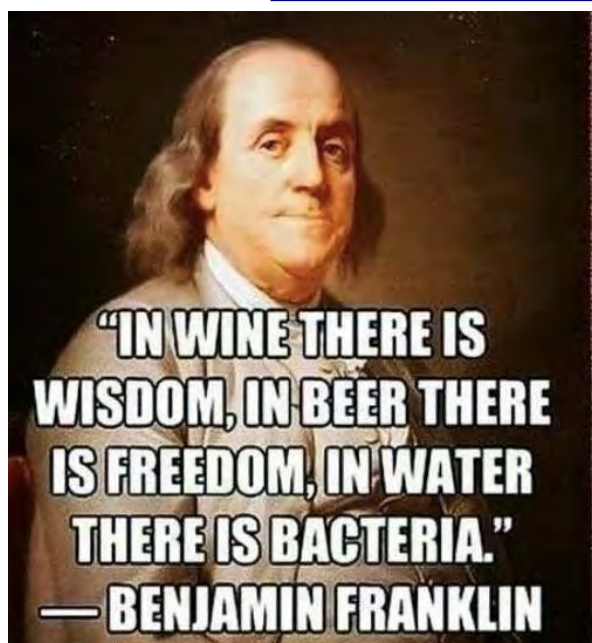


Rob didn't talk about the war per se, as thousands of authors before him have done. Rather, he wrote a book in 2013 titled **Vietnam On My Mind**, which consists of a series of 10 vignettes about the Vietnamese people with whom he came in contact during 1972 when he was stationed there.

Rob enlisted in the Navy after receiving his degree in Civil Engineering and becoming bored. He was called to duty in late 1971 and served until the war "ended" in January of 1973. During that time, he served with the Naval Advisory Group as a liaison officer with the Vietnamese.

He provided a wonderful overview of the time period, physical beauty and geography of Vietnam, without expounding on the individual stories in the book. Thanks to Ted for bringing this excellent program and, for all interested, Rob's book was published by the Wooster Book Company and can be purchased here:

<http://www.amazon.com/Vietnam-On-My-Mind-Stories/dp/159098739X>



## Alternate Definitions -

**ARBITRATOR:** A cook that leaves Arby's to work at McDonalds



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On Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, President Carol, Patrick, Melissa, and Richard presented to the Lincoln Community Center and Executive Director Shane Carter (our newest member, by the way) with two 6' folding tables, sports equipment, school supplies, hygiene and exercise items valued at \$800. That donation was made possible as a result of another successful Christmas Auction, which raised over \$2,100. The donation is the start of what promises to be a long and fruitful partnership with LCC that will involve more than just monetary contributions – our annual Easter Egg Hunt will occur on April 19<sup>th</sup> and is Chaired by Deb Oexmann. In addition, we are putting together some future seminars for members of LCC and their families to talk about financial and other related topics. Below is a great article published in the Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> edition of the Troy Daily News:

# Building goodwill:

Rotary of Troy donates supplies to center

By Melanie Yingst

Staff Writer  
myingst@civitasmedia.com

TROY — Building goodwill and better friendships, Rotary of Troy filled a wish list for supplies, which will be beneficial to all who utilize the Lincoln Community Center this week.

Shane Carter, director of the LCC, said his door is often peppered

with Post-It notes from employees and students with wants and needs for the center.

"We always need stuff — I always have sticky notes on the door of things the employees and kids need," Carter said. "I'm just thankful for the support of the Rotary."

Carter won't run out of "sticky notes" anytime soon. Colorful Post-it notes also were amongst the office supplies pur-

chased for the community center by the Rotary Club.

Other items that were donated included: basketballs and ball pumps, ice packs, cleaning supplies, calculators and school supplies, gym towels and hygienic items.

"We got ice packs and soap and notebooks," Carter said. "We need many

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T'Ajena Coleman, 12, Michael Brumley, 12, center, and Trevone Archie, 12, right, look over a table of items Tuesday that were recently donated to Lincoln Community Center by the Rotary of Troy.

Anthony Weber | Troy Daily News

From page 1

young kids need at home but get here so we try to have as much stuff available here that we can."

Rotary of Troy's President Carol Baer

said the club's partnership began two years ago when a Rotary member wanted to help assist the LCC's annual Easter egg hunt. The Rotary also had a similar event — so the two organizations combined to host the event for the surrounding community.

As Carter was learning

what it takes to become a member, fellow Rotarian Patrick Titterington stepped in to acquire the items for the center with the Rotary funds. The donation was made with the Rotary's annual Christmas auction proceeds.

"We'll continue with donations as things come

up," Titterington said of the Rotary's partnership with Lincoln Community Center. The Rotary of Troy also partners with Heywood Elementary School.

Titterington said the Rotary of Troy will continue to look for ways to bring their skills to help the LCC through life planning and finance management for adults as well as helping the youth of the center.

Mellisa Kleptz, Rotary member and executive director of the Troy Foundation, said the Troy High School's Interact Club, the junior branch of the Rotary, plans on volunteering at the Lincoln Community Center. The Interact Club plans to help referee youth basketball games at Lincoln Community Center.

For more information about the Rotary of Troy, visit [www.troyohiorotary.org](http://www.troyohiorotary.org).



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## 983 and Counting for Dayton's Hometown Team!

27 Troy Rotarians and guests David Galbreath (Piqua), Dan Swank's wife Joan, and Anne Goings' daughter Layne welcomed Tom Nichols (pictured) and Trafton Eutsler of the Dayton Dragons.

Tom first spoke about the history of the Dragons, which have been a part of Dayton since 2000. Since that time, fans have broken the record for most consecutive sellouts – selling out every single game since 5<sup>th</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Stadium opened on April 27, 2000. They broke the professional sports record for consecutive sellouts on July 9, 2011 by filling the stadium for the 815<sup>th</sup> time. To date, they have sold out 983 consecutive games and are on pace to break 1,000 games in 2014.



The Dragons, a Class A minor league affiliate of the Cincinnati Reds, have had 63 players "graduate" to the MLB. Notable names include Joey Votto, Jay Bruce, Adam Dunn, and Austin Kearns. A former Dragon to watch on the Reds this coming season is Billy Hamilton, slated to be the starting Center Fielder for Cincinnati on opening day.

Dragons games have always been marketed as an entertainment experience, rather than simply another baseball game. Thus, the non-stop activities between innings are focused on families and the total entertainment experience.

The 2014 season begins April 3<sup>rd</sup> at home for four games against the West Michigan White Caps. For more information, visit [www.daytondragons.com](http://www.daytondragons.com).

**Just ask Peyton Manning -  
Nobody ever says "it's only a game" when their team is winning.**





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## ♥ THE 5 DR. SEUSS QUOTES I LIVE BY ♥

1) BE WHO YOU ARE AND SAY WHAT YOU FEEL,  
BECAUSE THOSE WHO MIND DON'T MATTER AND  
THOSE WHO MATTER DON'T MIND

2) TODAY YOU ARE YOU AND THAT'S TRUER  
THAN TRUE, THERE IS NO ONE ALIVE THAT IS  
YOUER THAN YOU

3) YOU HAVE BRAINS IN YOUR HEAD. YOU HAVE  
FEET IN YOUR SHOES. YOU CAN STEER YOURSELF  
IN ANY DIRECTION YOU CHOOSE

4) AND WILL YOU SUCCEED? YES! YOU WILL,  
INDEED! (98 AND 3/4 PERCENT GUARANTEED)

5) WE ARE ALL A LITTLE WEIRD AND LIFE'S A  
LITTLE WEIRD, AND WHEN WE FIND SOMEONE  
WHOSE WEIRDNESS IS COMPATIBLE WITH OURS,  
WE JOIN UP WITH THEM AND FALL IN MUTUAL  
WEIRDNESS AND CALL IT LOVE.

[sweatandshimmer.tumblr.com](http://sweatandshimmer.tumblr.com)

**Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> will be Heywood Elementary School's annual Dr. Seuss Day event. In the past, several Rotarians have volunteered to read their favorite Dr. Seuss books to Heywood classes. Once again, we have been asked for our interest in volunteer-ing and a sign up sheet was circulated at this past week's meeting. If you were unable to attend the meeting but would like to volunteer, please email Patrick at [patrick.titterington@troyohio.gov](mailto:patrick.titterington@troyohio.gov) or President Carol at [baerc123@gmail.com](mailto:baerc123@gmail.com) asap!**



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## Welcome Leslie and Shane!

21 Troy Rotarians and guests Clair Timmer and Richard Culp joined President Carol during our latest Club Assembly.

Carol started by inducting our two newest Rotarians, Leslie Culp and Shane Carter (pictured, respectively). Leslie is a part of Sims & Culp dentist office on Main Street in Troy. She has three daughters and is married to Reverend Richard Culp, pastor of First Presbyterian Church. She is originally from Texas but moved to Kentucky and then became so impressed with the outstanding job the City staff does with snow plowing and salting that she's raised her family here.



Shane Carter has been the Executive Director of the Lincoln Community Center for the past two and ½ years. He was born and raised in Troy, played several sports as a Trojan, and then went on to play at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He's excited about the new partnership the Club has started with LCC and he looks forward to enhancing it for the good of both the Club and, of course, the Center.

Welcome Leslie and Shane and don't forget Rotarians that you too should invited anyone and everyone you know to a future meeting. Potential Rotarians eat their meal for free so there's no cost to inviting a worthy prospect!

**As part of our Assembly, President Carol presented the long-awaited, much anticipated Strategic Plan update recommended by the Executive Board. Thanks to President Carol's fine and intense work, Page 3 of the newsletter is an encapsulation of the proposed 2014-2018 Strategic Vision for the Club. Kudos to Carol and the Board for spending a lot of time and effort to bring us some forward-thinking ideas!**

**I chose a gastro-enterologist based on a gut feeling.**

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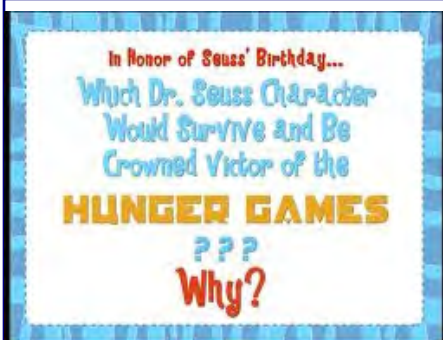
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**This week's meeting is your last chance to sign up to volunteer at Heywood on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> for their Dr. Seuss Day event. Volunteer to read your favorite Dr. Seuss book to a K-5 class or two.**

**A signup sheet will be circulated one last time at the February 11<sup>th</sup> Club meeting so don't delay any longer. If you don't want to read but would still like to volunteer, the Club has donated Dr. Seuss bookmarks and pencils. Heywood staff will be stuffing the bookmarks into Dr. Seuss books that they will give away to the students at the end of the day on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. They could use volunteers to help. If you are unable to attend our meeting this week but would like to volunteer, please email Patrick at [patrick.titterington@troyohio.gov](mailto:patrick.titterington@troyohio.gov) or President Carol at [baerc123@gmail.com](mailto:baerc123@gmail.com) asap!**



## **Vision Statement**

***The Troy Rotary Club is a member-involved, goal-oriented service club focused on socio/economic issues that have an impact both locally and internationally.***

## **Strategic Priorities**

### **A. Membership: Have 100 active members by July 1, 2017.**

<b>Annual goals</b>	<b>Resources needed</b>	<b>Member assigned</b>
1. Include 1 owner/leader from Troy companies, businesses, community organizations, etc.	Updated information packet; one-page membership flier	Carol Baer, Ted Ristoff; Don Willis; Patrick Titterington
2. Include more members representing diversity in age, gender, experience, and ethnicity.	Member referrals; chamber member directory	Ted Ristoff and club members
3. Retain 95% of members who reside or work in the area.	Member sponsors and mentors	Sponsoring mentor

### **B. Develop/retain projects/programs focused on local/international socioeconomic issues.**

<b>Annual goals</b>	<b>Resources needed</b>	<b>Member assigned</b>
A. Partner with Lincoln Center/Troy schools.	Lists of requests, funds, member participation	Patrick Titterington
B. Utilize a rigorous process to evaluate the effectiveness and alignment of each project and program (see below).	Evaluation matrix	Tom Giere
C Track members participation in projects and programs.	Project list	Carol Baer

### **C. Raise funds as determined by projects.**

<b>Annual goals</b>	<b>Resources needed</b>	<b>Member assigned</b>
1. Identify recipients of proceeds of Christmas auction before the auction and present donation at a Rotary meeting.	Nominate in September; identify recipient(s);	Club president; Program Chair



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## Home. Grown. Great.

27 Troy Rotarians, including new member Todd Severt, as well as Troy High School Interactors Shiv Patel, Matt Monnin, and Alex Dalton welcomed Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau Director Diana Thompson (pictured) to our meeting this week.

Diana spoke about the recently completed County-wide branding project, in which the City of Troy participated, and which resulted in the logo, tagline, and brand seen pictured here.



The County contracted with North Star Destination Strategies in 2013 to analyze and recommend a new identity. North Star underwent an exhaustive process, which included research, surveys, interviews, data analysis, and creative recommendations. As a result, the County adopted a new tagline: Home. Grown. Great to reflect the rural, agricultural, yet business friendly atmosphere that differentiates our County from our neighbors.

The logo was unveiled with great fanfare in late 2013 and is now part of the County's marketing strategy. That strategy included a website makeover, various marketing media (print, digital), social media, stationary, and miscellaneous products for sale or promotion.

This new look, feel, and tagline should also help Troy and other Miami County municipalities in our marketing efforts, as competition in this economy becomes even more fierce. Visit the Bureau's website, aptly addressed as [www.homegrowngreat.com](http://www.homegrowngreat.com).

**Beloved long-time Troy Rotary Club member Dr. Joe Lavelle has been in Kettering Hospital recovering from recent stomach surgery. Grandson and fellow member Dr. Jason recently reported that Joe has been transferred to recovery, where he begins rehabilitation. Jason encouraged any and all members to visit Joe after 4 p.m. (when rehab is over for the day) in Room 4109. Get Well Soon, Doc!**

## Alternate Definitions:

**SUDAFED:** Brought litigation against a government official

**POLARIZE:** What penguins see with

**HEROES:** What a guy in a boat does

**AVOIDABLE:** What a bullfighter tries to do

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## Serving All Who Are Hungry

31 Troy Rotarians, including new members Todd Severt and Justin Coby, as well as Assistant DG Mark Mabelitini and guests McKay Featherstone, Alice Murphy, and Tom Jent traveled to the new Hobart Community Kitchen on the corner of Mulberry and East Main Streets.



Hosted by Director Dick Steineman and Rotarian Greg Taylor, the group took a tour of the outstanding new facility, which replaces the former St. Patrick's Soup Kitchen on East Main Street.

The soup kitchen was started in 1997 on New Street as a weekend service for the hungry of Troy. It moved to its East Main location two years later, where it has served dinner meals most if not every day of the week.

In 2011, representatives of the ITW/Hobart Foundation called asking to donate significant funds to improve the services here in Troy. They promptly committed \$330,000 in cash plus another \$200,000 in state-of-the-art kitchen equipment. Harlow Builders broke ground in July of last year, culminating in a grand opening in January.

The facility consists of a basement storage area, first floor kitchen and dining areas, and a second floor full of conference rooms. Local non-profit community groups are welcome to reserve the second floor any time they need it.

The soup kitchen serves dinner to approximately 80-100 people, Mondays through Fridays, and one Sunday per month. Other than two paid staff, the entire operation is put on by individual volunteers and groups. Rotarian Richard Bender suggested – and by inference, volunteered as Chairman – that perhaps a group of Troy Rotarians could volunteer once a month or quarterly as a project. Harumphs of support were heard all around.

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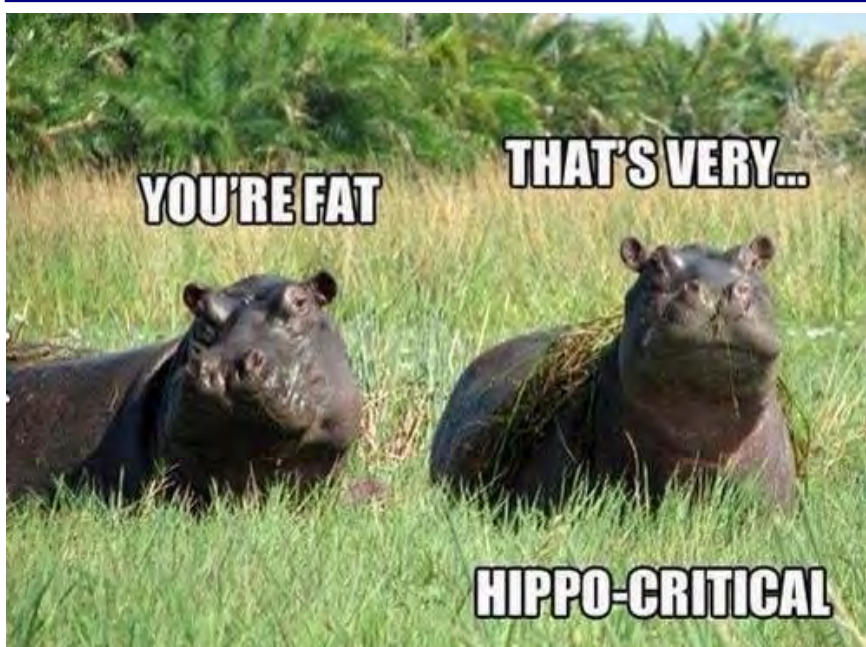
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*Words of Wisdom*

**"POLITICIANS AND  
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**AND FOR THE SAME  
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*Mark Twain*



# The Trojan Wheel

March 2, 2014

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## Special points of interest:

Join us next week as we Beth Shrake of Big Brothers/Big Sisters

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## Riding Can Be Therapeutic

24 Troy Rotarians and guest Jannine Pratt welcomed Eagles Wings Stables' Assistant Director Kelly Monnin and one of her volunteers, Theresa to this week's meeting.

Kelly (pictured) introduced this Piqua-based therapeutic riding and equine assisted learning center, which was started in 2004 by founder and Executive Director Keith Schaurer.

Certified by the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International, or PATH, the Center focuses on horses to engage in games, therapy, and goals-oriented activities to provide cognitive, social, emotional, and physical recovery to children ages 2 and older, as well as adults.

Many conditions are treated by this therapy, among them including ADD/ADHD, Autism, MS, Down Syndrome, Head Traumas, Parkinson's, and at-risk youth. While there are fees associated with the Center's activities (health insurance doesn't cover the therapy), there are free programs for veteran's and first responders.

Besides monetary donations, which are always needed, the Center has a constant demand for volunteers willing to walk with the horses to support the client during therapy. For more information, please see [www.eagleswingsstables.webs.com](http://www.eagleswingsstables.webs.com).



**S**peaking of our Heywood Partnership, with the winter season possibly finally dwindling (forecast for Sunday notwithstanding), we have distributed only 10 sets of winterwear. However, several Rotarians donated money for this program in late 2013 in advance of their "turn" coming up on the list. The Heywood nurse recently identified some clinic needs for the students, including emergency sweatpants, underwear, socks, and shorts. Jean, Wayne, and Greg all graciously agreed to allow me to use their winterwear contributions to offset the \$230 cost. The items were distributed to Heywood on Wednesday and they, as always, were extremely grateful for our contribution.

**T**he Troy Rotary Club Executive Board met last week before our regular meeting. One of the topics discussed was the notification by the Troy Country Club that our lunch costs will be increasing. After much debate and discussion, the Board voted unanimously to raise lunch costs to members to \$12 for a full lunch and \$8 for soup and salad. Attendees not eating will continue to be charged \$2 for drinks. A subcommittee will be appointed by President Carol, which will explore whether any cost effective and convenient alternatives exist to the Country Club as a meeting venue.



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The final schedule for Dr. Seuss Day readers is out. The following Rotarians have graciously volunteered their time to bring their favorite Dr. Seuss book or story to Heywood Elementary this Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. For those volunteering, please report to the Heywood front office 10 minutes prior to your assigned times, which are:

Shane Carter or alt.	(9:30 a.m.)	Greg Taylor	(1:20 p.m. & 1:40 p.m. & 2:40 p.m.)
Kathy Kerber	(11:00 a.m.)	Pete Klosterman	(2:00 p.m. & 2:20 p.m.)
Carol Baer	(1:00 p.m. & 1:20 p.m.)	Patrick Titterington	(2:00 p.m. & 2:20 p.m.)
John Haller	(1:00 p.m. & 1:20 p.m.)	Ed Westmeyer	(2:20 p.m. & 2:40 p.m.)
Jason Johnston (1:00 p.m. & 1:20 p.m.)		Ted Ristoff	(2:20 p.m. & 2:40 p.m.)
Leslie Culp	(1:20 p.m.)	Jill Wilson	(2:40 p.m.)
Scott Myers	(1:20 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.)		

**Have you ever tried to eat a clock?**  
**It's very time consuming.**



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## Start Something



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BBBS serves the counties of Montgomery, Preble, Greene, and Miami. Its mission is to target needy children, including those living in single parent homes, growing up in poverty and coping with parental incarceration. Caseworkers such as Beth match volunteers, or "Bigs" with boys and girls, or "Littles," from the ages of 6-14 years of age. Beth then performs all of the volunteer's background work, sets up an initial meeting, and follows up monthly or weekly to ensure the match continues to be a positive one for both the Big and the Little.

BBBS offers a wide variety of programs to help the Big and Little bond, be active and make a difference in the child's life. Those programs include:

Community-based mentoring, in which the Big and Little meeting in the community away from school

School-based mentoring, in which they primarily meet at school during school hours

Special programs, such as mentoring for African-Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Military children

These volunteers are critical for the success of the BBBS. There are plenty of children but not enough mentors. Additionally, much of the programming is made possible only through donations and contributions.

For more information, please see [www.bbbsgmvalley.org](http://www.bbbsgmvalley.org).



**From the students at Heywood Elementary to all of the Troy Rotarians who dedicated their time, talents, goodies, and attention to Dr. Seuss Day on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2015's date will be March 2<sup>nd</sup>, so mark your calendar!**

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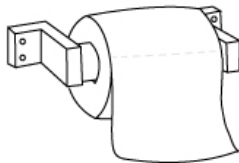
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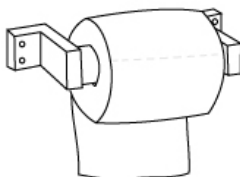
What your toilet paper says about you:



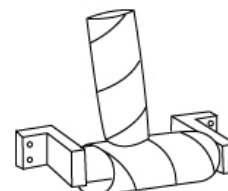
You are faithful, logical, and sensible--  
a traditionalist who takes special joy in  
keeping his or her environment well-regulated.



You are reckless, incorrigible, and lazy--  
most likely male, with the attention span of a goldfish.



You are carefree, enthusiastic, and spontaneous--  
a heedless fool with a skewed perception of reality.



I hate you.

DOGHOUSE DIARIES





# The Trojan Wheel



March 17, 2014

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## Leave No Child Behind

26 Troy Rotarians and guests Barbara Martin, Tony Scott, Sue Worley and Interactors Nick Kleptz, Luke Mannis, and Dakota Hampton welcomed Dr. Randy Overbeck (pictured) to our Tuesday meeting.

Randy spoke about teachers across the nation who have been or are true heroes in their communities. Why are they heroes? They change students' lives when no one is looking, they show care and concern for everyone regardless of demographic "station", and the show that concern for everyone they serve, regardless of how challenging that student might be.



Randy admitted that not every teacher is a hero. Too frequent newspaper headlines have proven that. However, there are many thousands of admirable teachers across the U.S. who should be celebrated for their acts, behavior, and inspiration.

Randy identified three examples:

- Shannon Wright, who was the 6<sup>th</sup> grade language arts teacher who died in a deliberate ambush by students who pulled a fire alarm and then too sniper practice on unwitting students and adults alike;
- Jane Smith, who was an incredibly generous inner city middle school teacher who donated a kidney to a student with kidney disease; and,
- Jencie Fagan, the phys ed teacher in Nevado who courageously stopped a student with a gun who was shooting students by simply using her body as his shield and telling him she cared.

Randy's book Leave No Child Behind is a fictional demonstration of similar feats of heroism by teachers. It depicts a terrorist takeover of a high school and a teacher's stand against the villains. It's available on Amazon but for more information, see [www.heroicteacherpress.com](http://www.heroicteacherpress.com).

Barbara Martin, Tony Scott, and Sue Worley are being proposed as members to the Troy Rotary Club. If you have any comments regarding their membership, please email President Carol asap at [baerc123@gmail.com](mailto:baerc123@gmail.com).

## What part of the United States produces the largest number of cardiologists?

## The heartland, of course.

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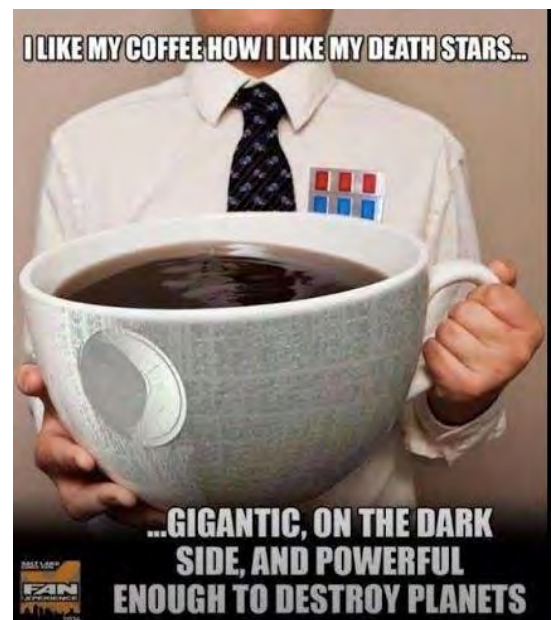
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## Mystery Solved!





# The Trojan Wheel

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Join us next week as we meet the three 4-Way Speech contest winners, as they re-enact their inspiring orations.

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## Troy's Downtown Arts Gem

26 Troy Rotarians visited Lisa Bauer (pictured) at her newly re-purposed Mayflower Arts Center (MAC) next to Prouty Plaza in downtown Troy. Lisa purchased the building and reopened it in 2013, just prior to the Gentlemen of the Road tour weekend. MAC is envisioned to become a multi-purpose operation showcasing visual, theatre, performance, and musical art.



Built in 1928 as a single room movie theatre seating 650-700 patrons, MAC was divided into two and then three screening rooms in the mid-1960s and 1970s. There was an active stage in the back of the building, something Lisa would ultimately like to restore for use in performances.

Currently, MAC hosts various children's after school and adult art classes, as well as a summer camp for 40 kids. In two weeks, MAC will run its first movie, titled "Maiden Trip," an independent film about a 14-year old girl seeking to become the first of her age to sail around the world. Future movies will be run periodically.

Thanks to Lisa for allowing us to meet and tour this outstanding "diamond in the rough." For more information, visit [www.mayflowerartscenter.com](http://www.mayflowerartscenter.com).

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## Turn Yourself Around !

## Interact Club at the Altrusa Spelling Bee





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March 30, 2014

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## Troy's Finest Orators Leave Club Speechless!



23 Troy Rotarians welcomed Troy High School student Shelby Meadows and her mother Anita; Nate Stevens and David DeMuth from Troy Christian High School; and, TCHS speech teacher Jenny Newman to this week's meeting.

Shelby, Nate, and David (pictured from left to right) gave their winning Four-Way contest speeches, after which Chairman John Haller presented them with their certificates and checks.

Troy winner David will be represented our Club at the regional contest next month at Wright State University.

Great job all and good luck to David!

## If you don't pay your exorcist, Do you get repossessed?



The Troy Rotary Club is considering inviting several new members to our fold. While some may have been identified in earlier newsletters, to "keep legal" with Rotary International, their consideration is being included again for comment by our membership.

Will Harrelson, Sarah Worley, Patrick Keaty, Tony Scott, and Barbara Martin are all being considered. If you have comments, please email them to President Carol at [baerc123@gmail.com](mailto:baerc123@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

## Troy Chamber to Hold "State of the Schools Breakfast"

Join us as Superintendent Eric Herman discusses the District's successes, challenges and forecast.

Breakfast is sponsored by Troy City Schools.

The event is free to attend, but you do need you to register!  
Thursday, April 17, 8 a.m. (doors open at 7:30 a.m.)  
Troy High School (Commons Area)  
151 W Staunton Rd, Troy

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## The Troy Rec, a Place For Community

20 Troy Rotarians and guest Jenny Miller (Bill Lukens) welcomed The Rec Executive Director Nicole Hanes (pictured) to our weekly meeting to talk about their programs and their on-going building renovations.

The mission of The Rec is *"To provide a recreational and social environment for the citizens of Troy with the primary emphasis on youth"* and the staff and Board of Directors have certainly taken it to heart with their emphasis on after school programs, preschool, summer lunch buddies, and even rentals for sports and other events. They have after school programs for both 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade and K-5 grade student groups, which are available to any Troy residents or Troy school attendee.



Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays, The Rec is closed to the public due to the demand they have for facility rentals. They also run special classes and sports programs.

The Rec has been at its current location at the corner of Water and North Market Streets since 1941 and there are certainly parts of the building that, until recently, showed its age.

However, under Nicole and her Board's leadership and drive, The Rec was able to successfully be awarded over \$300,000 in grants, including a very generous \$125,000 grant from Pat and Tom Robinson.

Renovations to date have been extensive and on-going, with significant interior repairs and upgrades to first floor carpeting, furniture, paint, equipment, and other amenities. The first floor gym has also been refurbished, with a wider footprint due to the removal of some side rooms that reduced the open floor space. The floor surface has also been upgraded to a "space age" material that is virtually indestructible.

Remaining interior work will be to the second floor, including the ballroom/gym area. Also, Nicole and the Board have budgeted significant exterior repairs, including replacement of over 100 bricks, tuck pointing, roof repairs, etc. Those repairs have been accelerated due to the bad winter, which resulted in water leakage and damage to the interior of the building. One side issue that the Board is still considering is the replacement of the brick side historic mural, which has stood for many years as a symbol of Troy's downtown heritage.

There are many exciting things going on at The Rec and if you want more information, visit [www.troyrec.com](http://www.troyrec.com).

**My dog swallowed my engagement ring,  
So I ended up with a diamond in the ruff.**

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Chairman John Haller has announced the next Adopt-A-Highway project date for Troy Rotarians who can volunteer. It will be held on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 9-10:30 a.m. starting at the Cornerstone Baptist Church at 1879 Old Staunton and SR 55. A sign up sheet is being circulated and we need at least 8 volunteers to make this work! Remember, this project can count as attendance at a meeting, should you have to make up a Tuesday noon meeting.



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## Lincoln Community Center



An overflow multitude of 35 members and 3 guests crowded into the Country Club Terrace Room to hear our own Shane Carter, Director of the Lincoln Community Center. Guests were Shawn's able assistant, Nicole Burton; prospective member, Jessica Echols and Bill Lukens' assistant, Jenny Miller.

Shane and Nicole have been running the Center for 2 ½ years with major improvements acknowledged by nearly all observers. The Center has 2 full time and 8 part time employees (6 of whom have college degrees).

Shane expressed his appreciation to Rotary and all who have helped in the successful transformation of the Center. Currently there are about 60 programs to benefit the community, particularly the youth of the area. One of the most successful operations is the Afterschool Program wherein participating students receive academic assistance from the Center's staff, including retired teachers. Currently, 32 of the students are on the Honor Roll! To demonstrate the seriousness of academics, during the Afterschool Program (2:30 – 5:00) there is no basketball. Demographics present obstacles to a significant number of the participants. A majority of the students in the Afterschool Program don't have fathers living in the home.

Other programs include a farmers market (which will sell produce to raise funds), "life skills", health screening, field trips, Spanish, keyboarding, genealogy, and recreational activities. Much of the funding comes from the Troy Foundation. Further, the Center has partnered with Brukner for "wildlife experiences". Shane hopes to acquire a van to improve field trip opportunities.

At the conclusion of Shane's presentation, the club worked on stuffing Easter eggs for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt, to be held April 19<sup>th</sup> at the Lincoln Center.

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## Partners in Hope

This week, 23 members, 2 Piqua Rotarians and 2 prospective members attended our meeting. Visiting from Piqua were David Galbreath, and President-elect Stacy Wall. Troy Librarian, Rachelle Miller and our speaker, Jessica Echols are prospective members.

Jessica Echols has been Executive Director of Partners in Hope since August. The organization began in 1990 when 17 local churches decided to consolidate services for local people in need. The desire was to provide one source for a variety of services, eliminate the inefficiencies of duplication and prevent "double dipping" by individuals seeking benefits.



Partners in Hope has five full and part-time staff members; however, much of the work is performed by volunteers. Funding comes from a variety of agencies, such as United Way, the churches and the Troy Foundation. Further, other local organizations contribute goods and services. Troy Ford provides space where volunteers and clients can work on their cars. Rotary provides shoes to the children.

Although it began to meet basic, immediate needs, e.g. food or utility payments, its service have expanded. Now, education is an important factor. Beyond traditional education, "Partners" focuses on "bridges out of poverty" with assistance in budgeting and helping clients to understand how the middle class works and how to work with businesses such as banks. Other services include tax preparation and clothing for clients to wear to job interviews.

Although eligibility for most services are income based, "Care Givers" provides transportation to anyone over 55. Last year, over 300 rides were provided.

Clients are expected to "give back" through small monetary donations or working in the various programs.

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**My dog has a lot of potential**

**He just has to unleash it**







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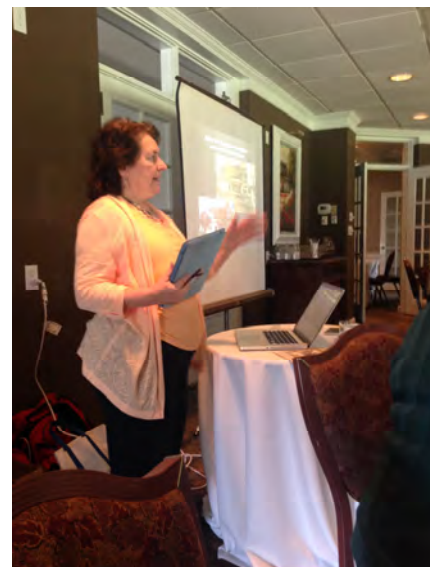
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## The House That Hayner Built - 100 Years Later

35 Troy Rotarians and guest Father Hank welcomed Hayner Cultural Center Executive Director Linda Lee Jolly (pictured) to our weekly meeting to talk about the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building of the Hayner Mansion.

The Mansion was built in 1914 by Mary Jane Hayner as her and her daughter's residence, using the vast wealth her father accumulated from the whiskey business. Before she passed in 1942, Mrs. Hayner donated the property to the Troy City Schools for their use. At that time, schools were the principal community meeting places and she felt that the Mansion would be a wonderful focal point for gatherings.



After Mrs. Hayner died, the Mansion became the first home of the Troy Library, which it served for the next 30 years. Over the years, the Mansion has been home to many art exhibits, musical recitals, community meetings, private weddings, and other events. It has been supported for many years by a separate property tax levy.

To celebrate the Mansion's birthday, the Center will be hosting a series of events and programs, including the "Whiskey Run" on May 9<sup>th</sup> and culminating in the grand finale three day "Hayner Days" event from August 9<sup>th</sup> through August 11<sup>th</sup>. Hayner Days will include entertainment, shows, food, crafts, a special concert and a light show.

For more information about Hayner Community Center and it's centennial celebration, visit [www.troyhayner.org](http://www.troyhayner.org).

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## The local bakery burned down, and now their business is toast.

On Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> several Troy Rotarians helped Executive Director (and fellow Rotary member) Shane Carter and the staff of the Lincoln Community Center conduct their annual Easter Egg Hunt. Shane estimated 150 kids of all ages (up to 12 years old, that is) enjoyed the scramble for eggs, with several finding the golden tickets and winning a fully stocked Easter Basket.



Shane and Committee Chairwoman Deb Oexman would like to thank all of the Rotarians, especially Easter Bunny Kathy Kerber, who volunteered that day. The tentative date for next year's event is again the day before Easter, on April 4, 2015.



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## Troy Rotary Hits 60 - (members, that is...)

25 Troy Rotarians and guest Ed Carrigan joined President Carol's final Club Assembly of her reign.



President Carol presented a draft of the new and improved by-laws, promising to bring them to a Club vote in the near future, pending modifications made at the Executive Board meeting.

She then inducted five of our six newest members (Rachelle Miller was absent), pictured in order, who gave the following brief bios:

Jessica Echols, Executive Director of Partners in Hope, a Michigan transplant with 3 sons, and a closet entrepreneur who makes cakes and cupcakes, is a private pilot, and is a certified appraiser;

Sarah Worley, Lawyer with Dungan & LeFevre, UD and Chase Law grad, 18 month old daughter, originally from Hamilton;

Kathy Kerber, true Trojan, UC grad, CEO of Kerber Sheet Metal, 2 children, official Rotary Club Easter Bunny for life;

Barbara Martin, Executive Director of Troy Community Works!, native of Mansfield, 3 children, WSU grad; and,

Todd Severt, previous Troy Rotarian in 1990's, lawyer with Lopez, Severt, and Pratt, UD Law grad, former City Councilman, 2 children, and wife who is a juvenile court magistrate.

We welcomed the all to our Club, which hit a milestone of 60 members for the first time in many decades! To quote Member Chair Teddy Ristoff, "Get your @#\$%#'s out there and recruit, recruit, recruit!"

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Rotarians - Please take note of what should be a very special program on 24-Jun-14. Dr. Tony Forshey is the veterinarian for the state of Ohio and will be coming from Columbus to speak about exotic animal legislation. Much of the fallout from the release of those exotic animals in the Zanesville/Newark area a couple of years ago fell in his lap. He should have a very interesting and unusual presentation.





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## Providing a Safe Haven in the Tri-County Area

26 Troy Rotarians, Assistant DG Mark Mabellitini, and Piqua Rotarian Jack Newanschwander welcomed Safe Haven Executive Director Doug Metcalfe (pictured) to our meeting.



Doug spoke about his facility, which serves the three counties of Miami, Darke, and Shelby. Funded in part by the Tri-County mental health levy and through United Way support, SH provides support services for children and adults with mental health concerns.

As a non-medical facility, SH is not eligible for federal assistance. They offer vocational services, classes, social interactions, employment, life and cooking skills, games and entertainment. Some classes include smoking cessation, self-esteem, coping, working with caregivers, etc. Social opportunities include holiday parties, field trips, galas, and even a temporary restaurant for Thanksgiving.

All events, programs and projects are free, although SSD receipts often pay a small fee for some services they receive. Also included is a free meal once a day in a setting that is as similar to a structured school day as possible.

Safe Haven is meant to complement and not replace medically necessary support services such as counseling. SH often receives referrals from the court system, hospitals, police agencies, etc.

For more information, visit their website at [www.safehaveninc.com](http://www.safehaveninc.com).



It was with very heavy hearts that we learned this week of the passing of long-time Troy Rotarian, Club Historian, and all around great guy Dr. Joe LaVelle. In 92 years, it was clear that Joe lived every one of them actively, positively, and with neverending vitality. Our condolences extend to his wife of 69 years, Elaine, and his large extended family of children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. For those interested, his obituary, including funeral arrangements is shown on page 3 of the newsletter

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**Old motel operators never die,  
They just check out.**





**Dr. Warren Joseph “Doc” LaVelle, 92, of Troy, Ohio, died at his home on Monday, May 5th 2014 at 3:17am surrounded by family. He was born on January 1st 1922 in Middlefork, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Mary Elaine Walters LaVelle; his sister, Audrey LaVelle Mullholland; his eight children, Gareth LaVelle Johnston, Gregory LaVelle, Kevin LaVelle, Philip LaVelle, Robin LaVelle Hoster, Dr. Timothy LaVelle, Megan LaVelle Stutz, and Dr. Joseph LaVelle; his eighteen grandchildren, Jamie, Dr. Jason Johnston, Jennifer Johnston Reyen and Joby Johnston, Connor LaVelle, Madison and Jackson LaVelle, Tara LaVelle Maurice, Lisa, and Cody LaVelle, Barrett, Max, and Clay Hoster, Trevor, Zachary, and Ian Stutz, and Emma and Caleigh LaVelle; and his thirteen great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents Thomas and Ethel LaVelle as well as seven siblings. A retired veterinarian of 66 years, he was the founder of Miami Acres Animal Hospital which he opened in 1945 after graduating from The Ohio State University. He was a lifetime member of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association, as well as a Army veteran of World War II. He served his community as a board member of the Miami County Health Department, lifetime member of the Troy Fish and Game Club, veterinarian to the Miami County Fair for over 25 years, board member of the Tree Farm Association of Ohio, Knights of Columbus, member of the Troy Country Club for 61 years, lifetime member of the Coonskin Library Association in Amesville, Ohio, and a dedicated member of the Troy Rotary Club since 1953, of which he holds tenure as the longest and oldest standing member. His passions in life included golf, hunting, yardwork, spending time with his family, and hand crafting maple syrup on his farm, which still remains in the family for a third generation, in his hometown of Amesville, Ohio. His maple syrup was a point of pride for him, winning several prestigious awards including recognition by both the Ohio Senate and House of Representatives for achievement as an outstanding Ohioan for his dedication to preserving Ohio woodlands and being named Ohio Tree Farmer of the Year for 2013. He was also featured as an Outstanding Ohioan in Ohio Magazine in 2013. A thoughtful and considerate man to all creatures great and small, he will be remembered as a man to whom it did not matter who you were or where you came from. If you needed help in any magnitude, he would do whatever necessary to ensure you were content. He weaved this philosophy throughout every aspect of his life which collected to create a loving family, caring friends, and a fulfilled life that will be celebrated. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Troy, Ohio on Monday, May 12th at 11am lead by Father James S. Duell and Father Henry F. Albietz. He will be laid to rest at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Athens, Ohio after a private family service the following day. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Miami County Animal Shelter, 1110 N. Dixie Highway, Troy, Ohio 45373. Arrangements have been entrusted to Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy. Condolences may be left for the family at [www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com](http://www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com).**



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May 18, 2014

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## Waco and Van Cleves - Big Success, Big Fun!

27 Troy Rotarians and prospective members John Keller and Rodney Neu welcomed Cheryl Cotner, Executive Director of The Future Begins Today (pictured).



TFBT provides last dollar grants to any eligible Troy School District student wishing to go to college, university, community college or vocational/ technical school. They also sponsor the Lunch Buddies Program, Tim Horton camp, leadership club, and homework helpers. Their efforts are funded through charitable donations, fundraisers, etc.

One of the important activities that TFBT offers, and which is sponsored by the Troy Rotary Club, is the WACO 6<sup>th</sup> Grade annual field trip. Cheryl brought four of her students, along with Van Cleves Principal Paul Keller, to briefly thank the Club for our support and talk about their favorite parts of the trip and TFBT.

Ianna enjoyed making rockets; Victoria felt that Cheryl is a bubbly spirit; Colby enjoyed the WACO facilities and air-powered rockets; and, Calla appreciated the fact that TFBT teaches manners and etiquette.

For more information, visit their website at [www.thefuturebeginstoday.org](http://www.thefuturebeginstoday.org).

## A passionate embrace at a nudist colony?

### I guess that would be a bare hug.

Member Larry Heisey has proposed John Keller for membership, while Tom Giere is proposing Rodney Neu. If you have any comments or concerns about these proposals, please email President Carol at [baerc123@gmail.com](mailto:baerc123@gmail.com).

**It's that time again, folks! Yes, I'm talking about the Strawberry Festival Lemon Shake Up Booth volunteerism. A sign up sheet has been circulating at the meetings, with only a few short weeks left to sign up. A little inside influence has secured our Club a pretty sweet spot around the downtown Fountain, so traffic and people watching will be at a premium. So, please sign up to help support our major fundraiser. Contact Lisa at [summersweater@me.com](mailto:summersweater@me.com) to sign up NOW!**



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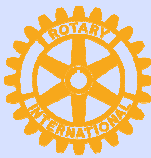
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## Care. Be. Dream. Learn

23 Troy Rotarians welcomed fellow Rotarian Rachelle Miller, who is also the Director of the Troy-Miami County Public Library, as she presented the Library's newest partnership, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. From its website at [www.imaginationlibrary.com](http://www.imaginationlibrary.com):



### Our Vision:

In 1996, Dolly Parton launched an exciting new effort, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, to benefit the children of her home county in East Tennessee, USA. Dolly's vision was to foster a love of reading among her county's preschool children and their families by providing them with the gift of a specially selected book each month. By mailing high quality, age-appropriate books directly to their homes, she wanted children to be excited about books and to feel the magic that books can create. Moreover, she could insure that every child would have books, regardless of their family's income.

### Making A Difference:

Dolly's Imagination Library became so popular that in the year 2000 she announced that she would make the program available for replication to any community that was willing to partner with her to support it locally. Since the initial program launch in the United States, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library has gone from just a few dozen books to nearly 40,000,000 books mailed to children in the United States, into Canada and across the proverbial pond into the United Kingdom!

Currently over 1600 local communities provide the Imagination Library to almost 700,000 children each and every month. Already statistics and independent reports have shown Dolly Parton's Imagination Library drastically improves early childhood literacy for children enrolled in the program. Further studies have shown improved scores during early literacy testing.

The Troy Library introduced this program in January of this year and since then 1,335 children have been enrolled. Enrollees are children from birth through age 5. They receive one book, every month, for 60 months. The cost to the Library (children receive the books for free) is \$25 per year per child. That cost has been offset by the Ada Preston endowment, as well as donations, a United Way earmark, and the Troy Foundation. Rotary International has also made this a national initiative. The organization offsets all administration costs, meaning every dollar donated goes toward books!

For more information, visit their website at [www.imaginationlibrary.com](http://www.imaginationlibrary.com).

**The Troy Rotary Club members, a quorum of which was present on May 20<sup>th</sup>, unanimously passed a new and improved set of Club By-laws. Many thanks to President Carol and her team, who worked diligently to update our antiquated rules and regulations. For a complete set of those by-laws, contact President Carol at [baerc123@gmail.com](mailto:baerc123@gmail.com).**

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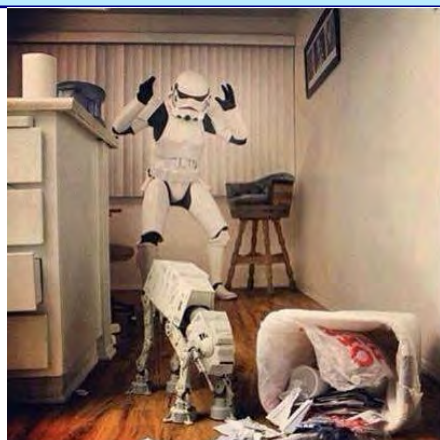
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**U**mmm...we're still a little short of staff on some shifts on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. You're almost out of time to sign up for this epic, first (annual?) Troy Strawberry Festival on the square. With a "cherry" spot on the north side of the fountain, you don't want to miss all the action, as we hawk our world famous deliciouso Strawberry Lemon Shake Ups. A sign up sheet has been circulating at the meetings, with only a few short weeks left to sign up. So, please sign up to help support our major fundraiser. Contact Lisa at [summersweater@me.com](mailto:summersweater@me.com) to sign up NOW!



## A will is a dead giveaway





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## Family Abuse Shelter - Miami County's Victim Advocates

27 Troy Rotarians and guests Father Hank, David Galbreath, and Jack Newanschwander welcomed Sophia Marcus (pictured) Family Abuse Shelter of Miami County.



Sophia is a court advocate for victims of domestic violence, which brings her in contact with many victims and abusers on a daily basis. Her job can be dangerous, as she sometimes has to lead interventions, placements, violent suspects, etc.

She is well-versed in the many programs and resources the Shelter offers. These include not only representing victims of domestic violence, but also providing temporary shelter for homeless adults and families.

Their services are free and paid for by donations, foundation grants and United Way contributions. The only paid service they offer is anger management classes, which Sophia points out is not only a worthwhile alternative to jail for abusers but a long term deterrent for those who might think twice after having to pay for six weeks of classes!

For more information, see the Shelter's website at [www.familyabuseshelterofmiamicounty.org](http://www.familyabuseshelterofmiamicounty.org).



**The first (annual???) downtown Troy Strawberry Festival is done, done, done. Thanks to all of those who donated their time and talents to making our booth as successful as possible. At the time of this printing, a final accounting hasn't been completed. We will report our final tally in next week's bulletin, so stay tuned and get June 6 & 7, 2015 on your calendar NOW!**

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**The trout got caught by a fisherman.**

**Now he's in a boatload of trouble.**

Per Ted Ristoff, there will be a fundraiser for the Klatte family, who was involved in the tragic automobile accident earlier this year. It will be an evening of feast and fun at 270 Polecat Road north of Troy. Ted has tickets, which are suggested at \$25 each.



Probably the safest car ever; it can't hit anything



Well, I guess that answers that!



# The Trojan Wheel

June 15, 2014

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Join us next week as **Don Willis** ascends to the throne abdicated (gleefully) by President Carol Baer.

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## MCRC - Where Client Care Comes First

23 Troy Rotarians and guests David Galbreath, Joan Smoke, and Deb Hoying welcomed Thom Grim, Executive Director of the Miami County Recovery Council (MCRC).

MCRC is Miami County's resource for drug and alcohol treatment and was created 37 years ago. Located across from the new Subway restaurant on North Market Street, for their first 34 years, they were a counseling center for drug and alcohol issues. Their referrals come mostly from the court system but they cater to all ages and needs. In 2011, they added mental health counseling services, in recognition of the fact that many addictions are psychologically-based.



Their focus is very client-based, meaning they treat all degrees of abuse, from recreational to hard-core addictions. They are funded by the Tri-County property tax levy, as well as through the United Way, donations, state of Ohio (although, no surprise, the state has cut funding by 25%), donations, and through their major annual fundraiser, a 5K run.

Tom was excited to announce two new programs MCRC has initiated. First, they opened a Piqua office on Looney Road, to cater to the 35% of their clientele from that community (Troy at 35% and the rest of Miami County at 30% make up the other clientele). Second, MCRC recently received a grant from UVMC to fund a collaboration that diverts mental health patients from UVMC emergency room to MCRC services, thus keeping health care costs down while serving those with critical mental health needs.

For more information, see MCRC's website at [www.mcrcinc.org](http://www.mcrcinc.org).

**A**lthough the total accounting hasn't been completed, even with the slow start on Saturday and the dismal weather on Sunday, it would appear that our Strawberry Lemonade was just as popular as ever. Rough estimates are that we made at least \$2,200 this weekend, money that will be deposited into the Troy Rotary Foundation account for community projects. Thanks to Lisa and Gavin for once again coordinating this exhaustive and critical project!



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**Earl Grey was away on business during the election.**

**So he cast an absent-tea ballot .**

**I wonder what happens next?**







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June 22, 2014

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## Passing of the Baton



## Rotary District 6670 is seeking host families for two exchange students

Rotary Youth Exchange District Chair Janet Metzelaar writes :

- All we need is a high school, about \$100/month from the club for allowance, a club counselor, and the first host family.
- Please help by hosting one of these fine students this coming year

You know we are all volunteers...so I am asking each of you to step up. Please don't expect some other club will do it.

- Vitoria is 17 years old from Sao Paulo, living during the week with her godparents to study in Botucato because it has the best high school in the region. Her favorite courses are mathematics and physics. She is active in sports - volleyball, soccer and handball.
- Sean lives in a suburban community, Gong-Guan. He is also 17 and has traveled to the U.S. to visit family on three occasions. His parents are both engineers, his dad president of a company that produces blinds; his mom heading a company that does home construction. Sean hopes to eventually work with his dad's business supplying blinds around the world.

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HOLY CRAP  
I'M BATMAN!



STILL MORE EXCITING



THAN WATCHING SOCCER



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June 30, 2014

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## Exotic Animals in Ohio? You Just Can't Imagine

Last week, 20 Troy Rotarians and 3 guests heard Tony Forshey talk about the development and evolution of Ohio's wild animal legislation. Tony was called back from a conference in Chicago on Oct 19, 2011, to help the Ohio Dept of Agriculture deal with the situation in Zanesville, OH. An owner of dozens of wild animals committed suicide and released his animals into the woods and neighborhoods around Zanesville on a dark and rainy night.



Tony provided a list of wild and dangerous animals now regulated by the State. All "the usual suspects" like lions, tigers, and bears were included, but did you know that Dusky and Masked Titi Monkeys are on the list? How about Yellow or Green Anacondas over 12 feet? Alligators? Hippos? Seriously.....Hippos?

Tony also regaled us with some of his harrowing encounters with these animals after drug busts or meth lab take-downs. According to Tony, the pet of choice for these folks is no longer the Pit Bull; it an alligator!

To report an escaped wild animal or an unlicensed owner, you can call the Ohio Dept of Agriculture at 1-855-DWA-OHIO

**Reminder—Tuesday meeting 1-July-2014  
is at the Soup Kitchen**

## Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July?

The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year. Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

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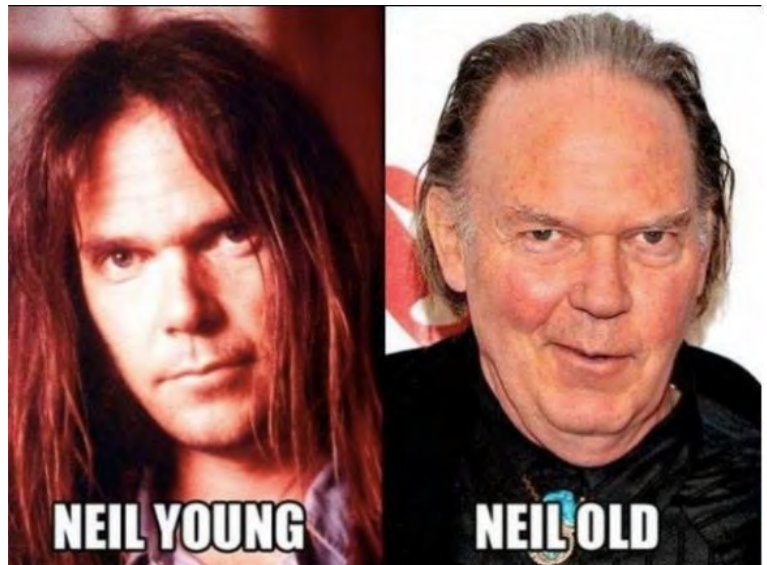
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**I read a book about mazes.**

**I got totally lost in it.**





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July 6, 2014

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## Club Visits Oldest Building in Troy (Maybe)

18 Troy Rotarians and guest Jane Rudy were welcomed to the St. Patrick's Soup Kitchen to eat and then walk across Water Street to tour the historic Overfield Tavern Museum. We welcomed Terry Purke, local historian and Overfield's resident scholar, who led the tour in costume (Terry is pictured at far right in the aforementioned costume).



Overfield Tavern Museum website, [www.overfieldtavernmuseum.com](http://www.overfieldtavernmuseum.com), states it well in recapping the history of the Tavern, its owner and its community:

*Mr. Overfield welcomed pioneer settlers to his tavern 200 years ago. Today his home and tavern welcome students and visitors.*

*The tavern was the center of action in the small settlement community of Troy, Ohio — a place to meet area residents and travelers, to find society, comfortable lodging and good food and drink. Until 1811 the County Court met in an upstairs room of the tavern. The tavern also housed the local Masonic Lodge, one of the first in the state of Ohio.*

*As a historical landmark, the Museum has been meticulously restored to reflect life in the early 1800's. It now contains a rare collection of early 19th century furniture, household items and artifacts. This collection represents the type of items that travelers would have brought with them to the area and those that settlers would have crafted with local materials. Each room of the tavern has been decorated to reflect it's original use. The museum annex houses an art gallery, a classroom for visiting school groups, and a library.*

*You are invited to visit the museum. Groups and school classes can arrange special tours. Come, experience the simplicity and beauty of frontier life. Rediscover your past by visiting the Overfield Tavern Museum today.*

The Tavern is the unofficial oldest building in Troy – unofficial because it was common for a time for newer buildings to be constructed around older buildings, without demolishing the older structures.

Regardless, the Tavern is a local treasure that Terry and the staff at the Museum take great pride and care in not only preserving the history but graciously sharing their knowledge to Trojans young and old.

Thanks to Terry for conducting a very interesting tour and thanks to Dick Steineman and Rotarian Jason for coordinating our lunch at the Soup Kitchen.

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In her last official act as President, Her Highness the Carol of Baer did bequeath several Rotarians with the Charlie Doyle award, an award created in honor and memory of long-time Rotarian Charlie Doyle, who passed away suddenly several years ago. Carol named the following Troy Rotarians as the first recipients:

- Tom Giere, for his many years of service as not only a Troy Rotarian but as the Club Treasurer
- Howard Cheney, for his over three decades of perfect attendance and his lengthy service as Sgt-at-Arms
- John Frigge, for his over two decades of service as Troy High School Interact Advisor
- Patrick Titterington, for just being so darned good (ed. note: that beeping you hear is the BS detector in your head)

Congratulations to our first recipients-keep up the good works!

## Do rich squirrels get to stay in the Nutcracker Suite?



**The Kingdom of Don has officially decreed the Club Leadership for the 2014-15 Rotary year that began on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Our officers and major committee Chairpersons will be:**

<b>Past president</b>	Carol Baer
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#### **Major Committees**

<b>Membership</b>	Ted Ristoff
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<b>Strawberry Festival</b>	Gavin Fielden/Lisa Winterhalter
<b>Designated Driver</b>	Mike Pope
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<b>Heywood school</b>	Patrick Titterington
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<b>Breakfast w Santa</b>	Melissa Klepz
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## When Acting Goofy May Be More Than Just a Personality Trait



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UVMC OH only works with employers (including the City of Troy), to provide pre-employment, random, and reasonable suspicion drug and alcohol testing.

Employers spend a lot of money properly testing employees because statistics show that they lose \$8 billion per year in lost time, lower productivity, injuries, and liabilities. Therefore, it is critical that employers properly test before they hire and are diligent in watching for the classic warning signs that an employee may be using drugs. Those warning signs include: dilated pupils, slurred speech, rapid weight change, seizures, poor grooming habits, smells, nosebleeds, etc.

There are two types of protocols that UVMC is qualified to perform, and which Tammy is certified to screen: USDOT and non-DOT tests. DOT testing is required for certain types of jobs, including truck drivers required to maintain their Commercial Driver's License. Ed. note: all City street employees are required to maintain their CDL, as well). CDL holders are also required to submit to periodic random drug testing, which is not a requirement for many other jobs.

While the non-DOT testing screens for more types of drugs, each has a very strict set of procedures that create a legal chain of custody. Documentation is very formal, as are the testing procedures.

Drug testing in this day and age certainly fits the old adage: "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

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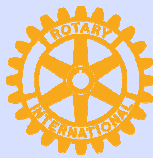
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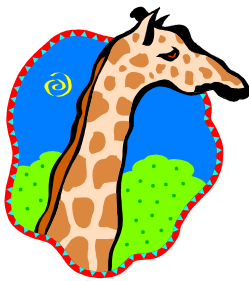
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The Troy Rotary Club, and Kangundo Wildlife Center Project Chair Joanne Heidelberg would like to thank Clara Dantric and her sister Marge for their generous and continued donations to that project. The sisters have been long-time supporters of this project, sending \$100 checks each quarter for the past many years.



White Castle's Secret Ingredient - REVEALED !







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## From Cali to Harlem to Troy

27 Troy Rotarians and Northmont Rotarian John Stekli welcomed Troy Country Club Chef Jake Murphy (pictured personally cooking stir fry for our members).

Jake was trained at the Cordon Bleu School in Pasadena, California, after which he spent several years in various positions at restaurants along the Pacific Coast. He then moved cross country to New York City, where he opened a very successful catering operation with a friend, serving breakfast and lunch to an average of 300 production and talent staff on many movie and commercial sets.

While the money was great, his 100 hour per week, 30 days in a row schedule became too much. He has been with the TCC for the past two years, moving to Troy with his Trojan wife and their two children.

He manages all food operations for the TCC, supervising two sous chefs, two "pantry girls," and an intern from UVJVS. He cooks all dishes from scratch and never buys pre-cooked ingredients, such as raviolis. While getting fresh fish is more of a challenge than in NYC, he has been pleased with the selections that have come from the Cleveland area.

Our thanks to a personally cooked meal and wonderful talk!



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**A hangover is  
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## Putting Smiles on Miami County Families

21 Troy Rotarians welcomed Miami County Dental Clinic Executive Director Claire Timmer (pictured) to talk about the Clinic's mission in not only Miami County but Shelby County, too.



Claire visited our Club on her one year anniversary as Director. She explained that the Clinic, which was established in 2008, provides free and sliding scale fee dental services to uninsured and underinsured Miami and Shelby Countians of all ages.

Services include dental exams, x-rays, cavity filling, extractions, dentures, root canals, crowns, partials and bridges, and other emergency services. Their mission is ***"to provide quality dental care and oral health education in a safe, compassionate, and accessible environment."***

One of their newer services has been the creation of the 3 "Traveling Smiles" portable dental units, where 2 volunteer and one part-time dentists travel to County schools to treat over 500 Miami County elementary students each year. All told, Traveling Smiles provided over \$73,000 in free dental treatment to students in 2013-2014!

The Clinic survives as a 50(c)3 organization through grants, local foundations (including the Troy Rotary Foundation in the past), community donations, the United Way, churches and fundraising. They are located at 1364 West Main Street in Troy. Or, you



can visit them on the web at:



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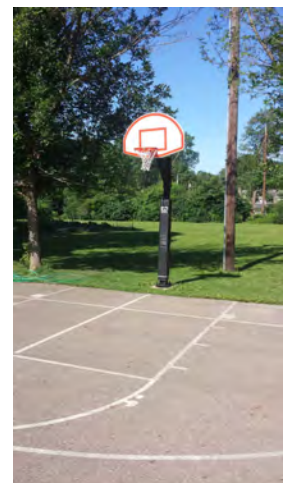


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Troy Rotary Club continued its partnership with Lincoln Community Center with the \$1,500 donation of new basketball backboards, hoops, nets, and padding for the outdoor courts behind the building. We even put in a little sweat equity, grinding rust off the poles before LCC staff repainted and prepped the new work. Our thanks to the Troy Park Department for installing the boards, which had custom bolt holes and had to be measured carefully and specially drilled.





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## "The Don" Holds Court at his First Club Assembly

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Brief though it was, Don asked newest member Rodney New (pictured) to briefly introduce himself. Rodney, who has earned two bachelor's degrees from Ohio universities, was an economics major before turning to his true love, accounting. Rodney was inspired to become a "bean counter" while interning at a Colorado ski resort in 2009 (come on, Rodney, do you *really* expect us to believe you did much work at a "ski resort?"")



Don then announced again the upcoming District 6670 Trilogy, to be held on August 16<sup>th</sup> (not the 18<sup>th</sup> as previously reported). This conference, which will focus on membership, Foundation giving, and youth service, will take place at the Normandy Methodist Church, 450 West Alex Bell Road in Centerville and is an excellent opportunity for our newest members to learn about Rotary service in our District and internationally. Signup sheets are available.

The Don then asked Kathleen, Public Relations Chair, to outline the Club's new PR strategy. She indicated that there are several ways she, her committee and, indeed, all members can "get the word out."

First, all of us are personal ambassadors. There is no substitute for the power of the word of mouth and each of us should be very generous every day in our promotion of the Club, RI, and our activities. Second, the weekly Club and District newsletters are excellent purveyors of activities. Kathleen is also submitting more press releases to area media outlets, including the local newspapers, radio, and even TV stations.

Our website is a work in progress, as Kathleen has, with the Executive Board's blessing, contracted with a Dayton firm to retool the Club's website. Finally, Troy Rotary is now a member of the Facebook Nation! Members of Facebook can search for Troy Rotary Club to keep up with all of the pertinent information related to our Club.

Thanks to Kathleen and her committee for increasing our visibility (and hopefully making Ted's job easier as Membership Chair!).

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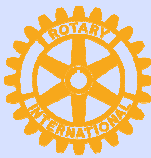
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# NEWS FLASH!

District 6670 will host a Trilogy Conference at the Normandy Methodist Church on 450 West Alex Bell Road in Centerville on August 16<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Our newer members would benefit from the topics, which will include membership, Foundation giving, and youth service. Email President Don at [eaglenestventure@aol.com](mailto:eaglenestventure@aol.com) or sign the sheet at the next regular meeting.

### Fellow Rotarians:

*School is right around the corner and our partners at the Lincoln Community Center want to make sure that their members have all of the tools they need to succeed academically. Shane Carter, LCC Executive Member and Troy Rotarian, has invited us to join their efforts to provide book bags, school supplies and necessities for twenty students. LCC Partnership Committee Chairman Patrick Titterington has done the cyber-shopping and has identified \$700 in book bags, pencils, erasers, sharpeners, compasses, protractors, scissors, rulers, notebook dividers and facial tissue. We are looking for Troy Rotarians willing to pledge their support for this cause.*

*Cash or checks can be turned into Patrick on Tuesday. If you write a check, please write it to "Troy Rotary Foundation" and we'll make sure that you can take advantage of a charitable deduction. Please indicate your willingness to donate, including the amount, by emailing Patrick at [Patrick.titterington@troyohio.gov](mailto:Patrick.titterington@troyohio.gov) as soon as possible.*



**Special News Alert . . . . . first day tally is \$165.00 . . . . . keep those pledges coming!**

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## Go Light Troy's World... and the World of Rotary, Too!

26 Troy Rotarians and guests Piqua Rotarian David Galbreath, Caregiver Jenny, and District Governor Elect William Shuller welcomed 2014-15 District 6670 Governor Eric Marcus (pictured).



Eric spoke of Rotary International President Gary Huang's 2014-15 Theme "Light Up Rotary" and how it can and should apply to the 3,000 members of Rotary District 6670. He challenged each of us to find our Rotary passion and immerse ourselves into Rotary service.

He emphasized Rotary leadership over membership because first, and foremost, leaders will attract and inspire new Rotarians. He challenged our Executive Board and The Don to have a long term succession plan for Club leadership, not just the one year President-elect designation we apply now.

Finally, he stressed the need for all of District 6670's clubs, Troy's certainly included, to promote the idea of charity and not Foundation, as the basis of all of our good works depends on the charity of our members and those we can inspire to donate. He highlighted the grants program as a perfect example of how when we give internationally, we get back to use in our community.

As crooner John Haller sang, "So carry your candle, run in the darkness. Seek out the helpless, the tired and poor. Hold out your candle for all to see it. Take your candle, and go light your world!"

For more District 6670 goings on, visit [www.rotary6670.org](http://www.rotary6670.org).



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*Stay tuned to next week's newsletter when we should have some photographs chronicling the Lincoln Community Center's 2014 Back to School Bash held on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the 24 Troy Rotarians who graciously donated a collective \$1,200 to offset the cost of book bags, compasses, protractors, pencils, paper, index cards, and other needs. LCC Partnership Committee Chairman Patrick Titterington delivered nearly \$900 of "stuff" in total, with the remaining balance to be used for future partnership opportunities through the Troy Rotary Foundation account. Said LCC Executive Director (and Troy Rotarian) Shane Carter:*

*"Thank you so much, what an awesome donation. I can't remember the last time we have had this type of support. We are grateful and humbled by what Rotary has been able to help us accomplish."*

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*Regards, Patrick*



**It was a tense conversation.**

**I tried talking about our future, but she kept bringing up the past.**





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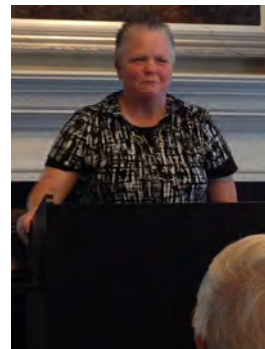
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## Marching Band Director Asks... Why are there Football Players on my Field?

26 Troy Rotarians and guest Rev. Richard Culp (husband of Leslie) welcomed Troy Schools Director of Band Kathy McIntosh (pictured) to the meeting.



Kathy has directed the band programs at Troy High School for many years. In addition to the local favorite marching band, Kathy directs the concert, pep, jazz, and chamber bands.

Preparation and practice for the football season begins during the summer, often encompassing 14-15 hour days (at least for Kathy and her assistants). During the week-long camp, the 150+ student performers learn all of their positions, movements, and music, with the rest of the pre-season dedicated to perfecting those assignments.

Since 1980 when the first statewide band competition was formed, the Troy Marching Band has earned 33 consecutive superior ratings. Although that's clearly important (I'd hate to be that group that only gets an 'excellent' in the future L), Kathy's overall mission is to mold her performers into better people in the community, building values such as service, respect and trust.

The Band Boosters support the program's budget, which approaches \$110,000 annually, with their annual strawberry donut sales during the Troy Strawberry Festival, as well as various other fundraisers during the year. Many students, who wouldn't otherwise be able to afford the \$380 fee to be in the band, can offset those costs by participating in these fundraisers, making the community's support very important. They've even started an annual mattress sale, which was very successful!

Kathy has taken her bands several times to the Chicago Thanksgiving Day's Parade, as well as the annual New Year's Day parade in London, England.

So, if you're into marching bands, don't miss Kathy and the 157 students who will be performing at all of the home games (and some of the away games) during this year's football season.

Visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Troy-High-School-Band-Troy-Ohio/106258916078966> for more information.

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## Troy Farmer's Market - Home Grown Organic

21 Troy Rotarians welcomed Troy Farmers Market Manager Jessie Chernetski (pictured) to the meeting.

Jessie has been the TFM Manager for the past two years, after earning a degree from the University of Michigan in environmental science. In her other life, Jessie does outreach for the Miami County Park District.

The downtown farmers market was started by Troy Main Street in 2010 to showcase downtown Troy with locally owned, operated and grown produce. It opens the second week of June and closes for the season in the second week of September each year. Located on South Cherry Street between West Main and Franklin Streets, it is open from 9 am. until noon every Saturday. The exception will be on its final Saturday of 2014, September 13<sup>th</sup>, when it will be open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.



From its inception in 2010 until now, the number of vendors and options have grown exponentially, from 10 vendors to this year's record of 45 local owners. To participate, there is a small weekly fee and at least 75% of the goods to be sold must be grown by the vendors themselves.

Utilizing the concept of marketing that is historically the oldest used by small farmers, the TFM hosts very unusual vendors, such as the End of the Road farm, Bad Seed Mustard Co., and Michelle's Macaroons.

To learn more, visit Troy Main Street and the Troy Farmers Market at [www.troymainstreet.org/farmers\\_market](http://www.troymainstreet.org/farmers_market).



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**I used to have a pet leech. It got really attached to me.**

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**Attention all Troy Rotarians!**

**Immediately following this week's meeting, ALL Rotarians are hereby nominated to take the Ice Bucket Challenge at the Troy Country Club. Wear clothing that you don't mind getting wet and join Patrick Titterington and other Troy Rotarians who have accepted the freezing coldness of having a bucket of ice cold water over their heads in order to increase awareness of Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).**

**ALS is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. Motor neurons reach from the brain to the spinal cord and from the spinal cord to the muscles throughout the body. The progressive degeneration of the motor neurons in ALS eventually leads to their death.**

**To date, over \$53 million has been raised through this challenge. For more information, see [www.alsa.org](http://www.alsa.org).**

**Note, if you'd rather not get wet, please bring your checkbook and consider paying for the privilege of soaking one of your colleagues!**



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## Miami County CASA - Advocating for our Unfortunate Little Ones

Several Troy Rotarians welcomed Jennifer Sanders, Executive Director of Miami County CASA to the meeting.

The mission of CASA, short for Court Appointed Social Advocates, is "...to provide a Court Appointed Special Advocate /Guardian Ad Litem (CASA/ GAL) to each abused and neglected child for whom placement is being determined by Miami County Juvenile Court."



CASA programs began in Ohio in 1980 in Lucas County. Since then, 32 counties across the state have formed. In 1995, Miami County formed its program, which now places hundreds of abused and neglected children annually into safe, permanent, nurturing homes. MC CASA staff volunteers represent and advocate for the best interests of those children until a permanent solution is found by the court system.

CASA depends on volunteers, training a new group twice a year. Volunteers must go through a thorough screening process, personal interview, reference checks, and a background investigation. Volunteers are the backbone of the CASA program, on whom the children rely for their placement needs.

Funding is provided through United Way and other non-profit support, as well as annual fundraisers, including Kids Night at Culvers in Troy held on July 15<sup>th</sup> and the Troy Kids Triathlon held on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Tax deductible charitable donations are always welcome.

To learn more about the program or to volunteer your time, visit their website at [www.miamicountycasa.org](http://www.miamicountycasa.org).



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Ken grew up in Canada, performing in high school bands and acting in school plays. He earned a B. A. at the University of Winnipeg and then traveled to the good old US of A to Michigan State University to earn his Masters in Theater.

He developed his love not only of performance but of theater administration while moving "up the ladder" in various jobs, such as House Manager, Marketing executive, VP of Development (fundraising), and then managing a 700-seat theater complex in Vancouver.

It was after working in Buffalo in a similar role for over 10 years that a headhunter called and asked about his possible interest in coming the Dayton. Although he knew nothing about the area, once he toured the region, he felt this was the absolute right fit for him and his family.

That was five years ago and since then he has been immersed in the scheduling of programs and plays, as well as the maintenance, operations, and long term vision planning for the Victoria, Schuster, Metropolitan Arts Center, Matilde Black Box, Arts Garage, Ticket Center Stage company, and City Lights Catering.

He also hosts over 50,000 school children every year, many of whom are introduced to the arts for the first time in their lives. With a staff of 85 full-time employees and over 100 more volunteers, Ken has definitely brought a touch of class and sophisticate with him as he's promoted the cultural side of the Greater Dayton region.

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State Senator William Beagle

State Representative Richard Adams

will discuss 2014 State Legislative issues.

Friday, October 24, 2014

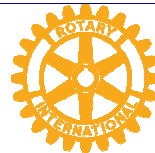
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The Concord Room, 845 W Market St, Troy

### To register:

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## Troy City Schools - Financially Sound, and Moving Forward

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Eric reported that the school district is in good shape financially, ending last year on a positive note with \$600,000 surplus. In order to support this positive trend, a \$5.9M renewal levy might be presented to voters in May, 2015. This levy will not increase taxes, but will help the district stay in good financial standing.

Currently the School District employs 500 people, 270 of which are teachers. The student population is approximately 4,600, with 41% receiving free and reduced lunch district wide. There are four Title 1 buildings, including Cookson, Heywood, Kyle and Forest. These schools have a large concentration of low-income students and receive supplemental funds to assist in meeting student's educational goals. For an entire school to qualify for Title 1 funds, at least 40% of the students must enroll in the free and reduced lunch program.

Troy City Schools' report card shows an A in Achievement (having met 23 of the 24 possible standards), a B in Performance, an A in 4-year Graduation Rate, and a B in Value Added. Value Added is a new way of analyzing test data that can measure teaching and learning, shows whether students have made the expected amount of progress, and helps "even the playing field" between poverty and achievement rates.

Troy students enjoy many extracurricular programs, including (but not limited to) band, archery, and Pop Rocks; and special events such as Career Day. Along with extensive program offerings, Troy City Schools provides students with state-of-the-art technology district wide, including 1,500 PCs, 530 iPads, and labs in every building.

For more info, visit [www.troy.k12.oh.us](http://www.troy.k12.oh.us).



**The Annual Troy Rotary Club picnic will be held on September 30<sup>th</sup> on the Knoop Farm at Lost Creek Preserve, beginning at 6 p.m. Spouses or significant others are welcome to join us. Sign ups will be circulated soon so we can get an accurate food and beverage count but SAVE THE DATE!**

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BEER HAS **FOOD**  
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If I ever go missing, I  
would like my photo put  
on wine bottles instead  
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## US Basketball - Cinderella Season

23 Rotarians, as well as visiting Rotarian Claudia Miller (from Modesto, CA) and prospective Rotarian Barb Lurie welcomed Assistant UD Basketball Coach Tom Ostrum (pictured).

In 2011, Tom Ostrom joined the Flyer staff as an assistant coach after serving as an assistant coach at the University of Arkansas. He is a University of Minnesota graduate and spent time in Florida and Alabama before coming to Dayton. He and his wife have two children, 3 ½ years and 3 months old.



Tom reminisced about last year's magical season, when the UD Flyers traveled far into the NCAA tournament, finally being beaten by Florida in the round of the Elite Eight. Especially impressive was the fact that the Flyers started the regular season at 1-5, ending the regular season at 26-11.

Tom also spoke about the 2014-2015 schedule the Flyers face, saying it is "challenging." With four new players (two Frosh and a transfer, and a graduate student), Head Coach Archie Miller conducted only his second full team practice on Tuesday with his new team.

UD is building a new multi-purpose athletic training and performance building, to be called the "Olsen Athletics Performance Center," after chief benefactors Dr. Thomas Olsen. The 10,000 square foot facility will consolidate all training facilities and will particularly benefit the men's and women's basketball programs.

Thanks to Tom and the Flyers for coming. Good luck this year!

You can visit for more information at: [www.daytonflyers.com/index.aspx?path=mbball](http://www.daytonflyers.com/index.aspx?path=mbball).

## !!!!REMEMBER!!!!

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**Heywood Committee Chairman Patrick T. has received an email from the school requesting emergency wear for students who show up for school without appropriate attire or somehow damage them during the day. Patrick will use the \$268 from last year's program but additional funding may be needed. The Troy Rotary Foundation budget includes a project allocation but with the first snow forecast for October 16<sup>th</sup> (that's right, the Farmer's Almanac is never wrong!) winter wear requests are right around the corner. So, any donations you wish to give for this project would be appreciated. Checks can be given to Patrick but written to "Troy Rotary Foundation."**





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Next week, we are back at the Club, where we welcome former Assistant District 6670 Governor Mark Mabellitini, who will discuss the many blessing of - and the opportunities to donate to - the Rotary Foundation.



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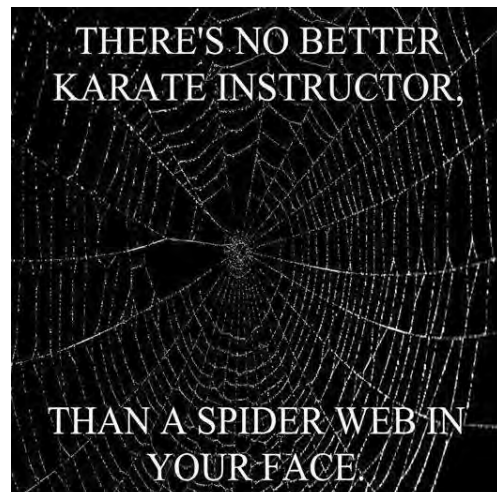
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## Rotary International Foundation

27 Rotarians, future Rotarian Barb Lurie, and guest Tracy Haller welcomed Assistant DG Mark Mabelitini (pictured), who spoke about the Rotary International Foundation.



The Rotary Foundation was created by outgoing President Arch Klumph in 1917 as a permanent, ongoing endowment and legacy to demonstrate the international charitable giving potential of this fledgling organization.

It was formally established in 1928 and gave its first donation of \$500 to the Easter Seals organization. It was continually expanded from 1947 (when the Ambassadorial Scholarship was created) to the Polio Plus campaign in 1985, to as recently as 2013, when the revised giving policies and programs were launched.

89% of all proceeds go to programs, with only 2% reserved for administrative costs. The Fund has several "pockets" of designated giving to which Rotarians can contribute: The Annual Fund, Term Gifts, and The Permanent Fund.

The Annual Fund is the most popular and when a Rotarian donates \$1,000 s/ he can become a Paul Harris Fellow. A \$10,000 donation gets a donor into the Paul Harris Society and those who contribute \$250,000 have the prestigious honor of becoming a member of the exclusive Arch C. Klumph Society (which includes a picture on the Hall of Fame wall at Rotary International headquarters).

Through the Annual Fund, ½ of all donations by Troy Rotarians will come back to District 6670 three years later for use by our clubs. We have used these funds in the past to support District Simplified Grants for our Designated Driver and Shoe Programs.

This is a very worthy program that supplements and complements Troy's envious Troy Rotary Foundation by adding the international charitable component. It also supports our recently modified by-laws. For more information, visit [www. https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation](http://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation).

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Andrew Johnston was recently approached by a representative of the West Milton Rotary Club about an exciting (and easy) future fundraising project that we can hopefully take over in the future.

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## Rotarians at Work

Men's short sleeve shirts **\$15.53**



Sizes	S	M	L	XL	2XL*	3XL*	4XL*
Quantity							

Men's long sleeve shirts **\$18.70**



Sizes	S	M	L	XL	2XL*	3XL*	4XL*
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Women's short sleeve shirts **\$15.85**



Sizes	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL*	3XL*	4XL*
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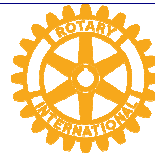
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## Archaeology in Ohio - Mounds and Mounds of Interesting Stuff



21 Rotarians and guests Father Hank (Williamsburg) and David Galbreath (Piqua) welcomed Lynn Hanson (pictured), Vice President of Collections and Research for the Dayton Society of Natural History.

Lynn, dubbed the fastest speaker in Troy for her ability to condense 2.6 million years of Ohio history into 20 minutes, spoke about the flora and fauna that developed and passed through the prehistoric eras in the Ohio region.

Starting in the Pleistocene Era (2.6 million to 12,000 years ago), Ohio hosted many pine and spruce trees, as well as megafauna such as mastodons, sabre toothed tigers and even camels! During this vast period of time, 85% of all species became extinct due to the changing temperatures, overhunting by humans, comets and asteroids, and/or disease.

Next came the Paleo Indian Period, from 13,000-8,000 B. C. Indians dominated the Ohio frontier, hunting and gathering to support themselves, their families and their tribes. They were mobile societies and were very efficient in packing light for quick moves across the prairies.

10,000-1,000 B. C. was known as the Archaic Period, where the settlers developed woodworking tools and skills, pestles for grinding food, tubular pipe and copper. Long gone were the megafauna but hunting and gathering still dominates their societal survival skills.

1,000 B. C. until AD 1,500 was known as the Woodland Period. During this time, Ohio was dominated by first the Adena and then the Hopewell Indians. Early farming began first as gardening hobbies and then for food sustainability. 50% of meals consisted of corn, with beans and squash rounding out the "3 sisters."

This is particularly fascinating in that much of the settlement activity during this era was centered around Chillicothe and the Miami Valley region. The Miamisburg Mound, for example, consists of the unique burial mound custom the Adena perfected to bury their dead. Fired pottery, sculptured pipes and tools, and ceremonial ornamentation became prominent.

Finally, from 1,500 – 1650, contact with European explorers and traders was formed. Sunwatch Indian Village at Ft. Ancient is the best example of that era, documenting living, trading, eating, and working during that time period.

Lynn did a great job encapsulating millions of year's of Ohio's archaeological history but there's much more of the story to be told. So, stay tuned as our program gurus are scheduling a future follow up visit by her.

In the meantime, for more information, visit [www.boonshoftmuseum.org](http://www.boonshoftmuseum.org).

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For many years, West Milton has been paid by the Miami County Elections Board to deliver, set up, take down, and return all voting booths in the County each election. The next proceeds to their Club have been in the \$7,500 range for each election! West Milton may be interested in transitioning those duties to us, at least related to Troy's precincts. To help us decide, West Milton has offered for our Club to help the process in Troy for the November 4<sup>th</sup> election. They will show us how it works and, for our limited help, we will get \$500. Then, if we like it and can commit the volunteers, we could possibly take over much if not all of the work in future years. So, if you are interested in volunteering for this year's election, please contact President Don AS SOON AS POSSIBLE at [eaglenestventure@aol.com](mailto:eaglenestventure@aol.com) to get your name on the list.



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## Clayton Brukner - Inventor, Philanthropist, Troy Rotarian



26 Rotarians, guest Rotarian Claudia Miller (Modesto, CA) and guest Derek Kester) welcomed Patrick Kennedy, Archivist with the Troy-Miami County Library Local History Library to speak on a very special past Troy Rotarian, Clayton Brukner (pictured).

Clayton J. Brukner was raised in Michigan where he developed a fascination with everything mechanical, mathematical, and scientific. He met his lifelong friend Sam Junkin, who shared his passion for aviation.

After graduating from high school in 1915, both Clayton and Sam joined an aeroplane manufacturer, where Clayton quickly learned it's mechanics. After stints in New York and New Jersey at aeroplane companies, Clayton met Buck Weaver and the three friends formed Weaver Aircraft Co., to be known as WACO.

In 1921, based on inventions and patents created by Clayton, WACO's first practical airplane, the Waco Model 4, was produced. When the company moved to nearby Medina, Weaver left. Two years later, WACO found its permanent home in God's Country, aka Troy.

Clayton led WACO from 1929 to 1938, when WACO became the leading airplane company in the world, sell 2 planes to the competition's 1. WACO planes were sold in 36 countries, making it the most successful aircraft company in the United States at the time.

Following World War II, due to an inability to re-convert the factory to post war production, WACO made the decision to stop producing aircraft. Clayton sold the company to Allied Industries in 1963 and it closed its doors for good in 1965.

Before he passed away on December 26, 1977, Clayton bought and donated more than 150 acres for environmental conservation, creating the Brukner Nature Center outside of Troy. Clayton was also a long-time Troy Rotarian, active in the many programs, projects, and vocations we continue today.

Thanks to Patrick for an outstanding presentation. For more information about the History Library, visit <http://www.thetrojanshistoricalsociety.org/troy/troy-lib.htm>.

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Founded as an independent company working with UVMC, several years ago Fidelity was purchased by Premier Health Care. It now operates under Premier's umbrella of companies. Fidelity employs over 500 professionals, including nurses, therapists, and medical social workers who operate under the direction of your physician.

Fidelity is a 24 hour-per-day, seven day-per-week company that also provides home care aides who can assist with everyday activities like bathing, preparing meals, and completing light housekeeping.

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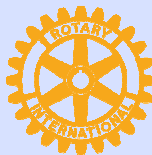
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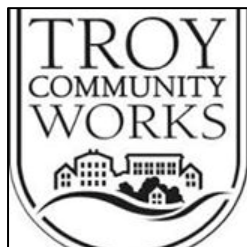
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## Troy Community Works, and the Four "I" Values



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Barbara spoke about the creation, philosophy and good projects that TCW is doing. Founded in 2007 (by several community-minded individuals including our own President Don), Barbara joined the staff as Director in March of this year, after becoming a boardmember in 2013

From its website comes an explanation of TCW's Mission: "Troy Community Works enhances the long term well-being and livability of the City of Troy by a collaborative approach to sustainable community development. We do this by strengthening downtown building and housing stock, revitalizing neighborhoods, and providing grassroots education and engagements."

It goes on to explain: "Earning the public trust is the responsibility of all those involved with Troy Community Works and these core values provide the foundation on which we base our actions and decisions:" integrity, impact, inclusion, and inspiration.

TCW has become an integral part of the Troy community landscape, creating and sponsoring many programs, including:

- Make A Difference Day in October;
- A neighborhood analysis survey of the east side of the downtown area;
- Purchasing, salvaging, renovating, and renting the Salvation Army Building 221 East Main Street;
- Conducting foreclosure and financial counseling;
- Creating the "Second Story Secrets" event to tour and celebrate the finished second stories of downtown buildings; and,
- Beginning an aggressive initiative to flip homes "with a heart" to turn them into affordable housing opportunities for lower income families to own and reside in.

TCW's mission is certainly welcome and needed in Troy as we see shifting demographics amid turbulent economic times. For additional information, see [www.troycommunity.com](http://www.troycommunity.com).

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## Decades of Selfless Service to Miami County

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Dr. Adams is a long-time public servant in Miami County, having served as the President of JVS, a Miami County Commissioner, and most recently, the past six years as State Rep. During his tenure as Representative, he has gathered many insights into the body of legislators, his constituents, and lobbyists.

According to Dr. Adams, he spends about 30% of his time in Columbus addressing potential legislation, or bills. He continues to be amazed at how little legislation actually makes it to the floor of the House for a vote. Because of the overwhelming imbalance in parties, the majority party rarely will let a bill get to a full vote without the outcome being foretold. The other 70% of the time is spent helping his constituents with issues, problems, research, and intervening on their behalf with various state agencies.

As "amusing" as daily legislative life might have been for Dr. Adams, he admitted that what has been funniest has been his time on the campaign trail, as he's interacted with voters, residents, constituents, and even elementary school classes.

Dr. Adams retires from public service at the end of the current House term, on December 31, 2014. While he has certainly considered it an honor to have been able to serve in so many capacities with, for and on behalf of Miami County, it is clear that the Miami County has been best served by his leadership, wisdom, and enthusiastic support as a tireless advocate on our behalf. We certainly wish him the best in retirement (and encourage his transfer from the Piqua Rotary Club into Troy's membership)!



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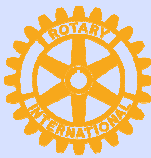
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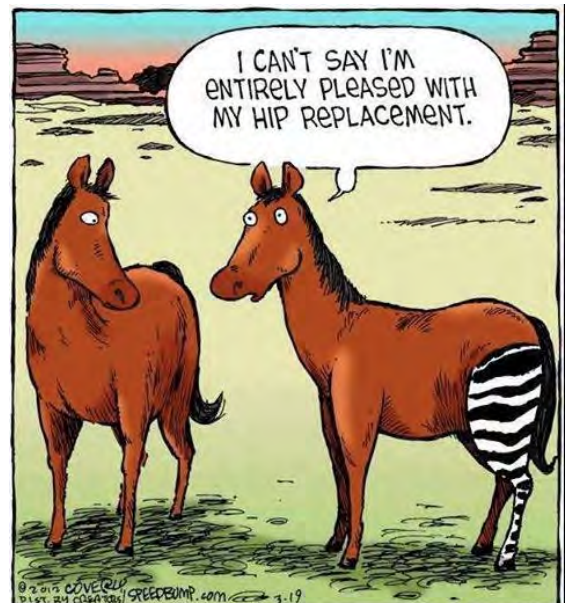
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## A Soldier's Last Moments in 'Nam

26 Rotarians Ohio welcomed Miami County Lieutenant Sheriff Dave Norman (pictured) to this week's meeting. As a Marine Corporal in Vietnam, Dave had the experience of being one of the absolute last soldiers to evacuate Vietnam in April, 1975 and he shared some of the stories leading up to the perilous ride in the helicopter out of the American Embassy.



Dave spoke about the many hours and days that he and his platoon spend in Saigon helping Vietnamese family, girl friends, workers for the Americans, and of course soldiers evacuate by helicopter to the flotilla in the ocean.

When it was clear that the North Vietnam were about to overtake Saigon and it was equally clear to U. S. Ambassador Martin that the President was not going to send any more ground troops for support, he ordered the immediate evacuation of all American and American friendly personnel.

These included in-Country girlfriends and their families, as well as those Vietnamese who worked for the Americans at the embassy and elsewhere. That was necessary due to the reports of those Vietnamese returning to their villages, only to be killed due to their alliance with us.

And so began a long and drawn out evacuation from the rooftop of the embassy – a process wherein Dave started at a guard but ended up landing the helos on the roofpad! As snipers tried to pick off the soldiers, Dave stood tallest on the roof, an easy target, while trying to safely land enough helos to transport personnel to the ocean. As Murphy's Law would have it, when the last personnel were airlifted and the final marines ready to take flight on the last helo, the previous helo pilot erroneously reported to the ship that there were no more soldiers to transport.

But for the careful eye of a passing American plane who reported to the ship that there were still soldiers on the embassy's roof, Dave and his platoon may have stayed a little longer in Vietnam!

Thanks for a riveting, first hand talk about some pretty brave duty during a time when even our own folks weren't too receptive to our returning soldiers!



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## The Way Local Radio was Meant to Be



25 Rotarians Ohio and Assistant District Governor Mark Mabelitini welcomed Scott Hornberger and Lorie Birch Yancey of Troy Community Radio (both pictured).

Started in Scott's dining room in 2012, Troy Community Radio (TCR) began broadcasting as an internet station. A year and a half later, A lower-power radio channel became available and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved TCR's permit application.

TCR now broadcasts on the web and on FM channel 107.1. Their frequency extends approximately 5-8 miles, covering all of Troy and some of the surrounding areas. TCR employs 7 staffers, providing 18 hours of live programming, with only midnight until 6 a.m. as pre-programmed content.

With a music format that covers the spectrum, TCR also provides original talk radio, with scheduled weekly programs featuring Mayor Mike Beamish (the greatest boss ever!), Troy Main Street, Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, Troy Rotary's own Scott Myers and the County Park District, as well as a partnership with Public Access TV Channel 5, who co-tapes most if not all of the shows concurrently.

Scott is currently in discussions with the Miami County Dispatch Center regarding relocating TCR's antenna to the Center's Tipp City tower. Pending approval by the Miami County Commission and the FCC, TCR would be able to reach a broader audience in Tipp, Troy and virtually everywhere in between.

For more information, see [www.tcr Troy Community Radio.com](http://www.tcr Troy Community Radio.com).

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**Last month, I joined a support group for antisocial people.**

**We haven't met yet.**

**I hoped to find my watch today,**

**But I didn't have the time.**



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## Our Mission is to Eradicate Sex Trafficking

23 Rotarians and guests Dr. Nancy Luce (Piqua Rotary) and Doug Trostle (Hartstein Committee Chair) welcomed Lisa Baker (pictured), Executive Director of the Piqua YWCA and Lynn Marroletti, former Program Director. Lisa and Lynn spoke about the epidemic problem of human trafficking in the Dayton area.



In case anyone wonders, yes, Human Trafficking (HT) in underage children is very prominent in the Dayton area, largely due to the I75/I70 transportation corridor. Nationally, HT is a \$9.8 billion illicit business, exploiting over 100,000 children per year. The average age a child is first forced into prostitution is between 13-15 years old.

The largest pool of victims are runaways, estimated to equal 1.68 million per year. Studies have shown that within 72 hours of running away, 90% of the children are approached by a stranger to lure them into HT. Sadly, the issue is a very near one, as Toledo is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest area, with the Miller Lane corridor the fastest growing area.

Not surprising, drug cartels are one of the greatest exploiters, as they have moved beyond just the heroin trade to capitalize on the addiction's hold on potential HT victims. Equally as sad is the fact that demand is great, making it very lucrative for pimps, who represent over 90% of the HT victims and who can make \$400 per hour per victim.

The YWCA has been focused on education and awareness, using the resources of the Shared Hope International organization. SHI partners with local groups such as the YWCA to prevent trafficking and rescue and restore victims to society.

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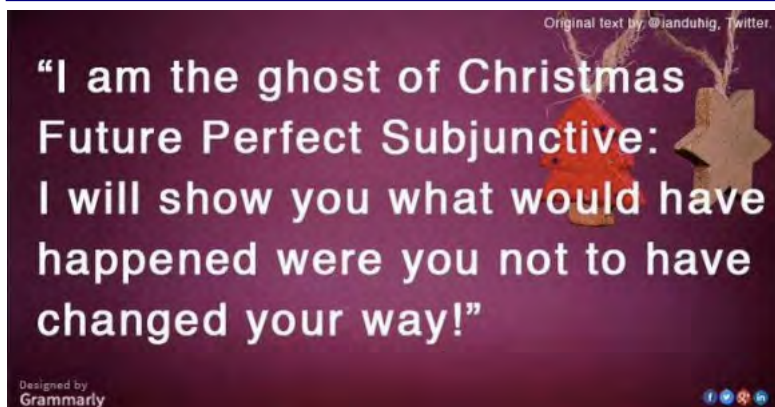
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Stay tuned to next week's newsletter for an update on just how successful it was, as well as for a sampling (hopefully) of pictures taken at the event.

## Annual Christmas Auction Dec. 16th - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

one of the highlights of Rotary at holiday time is our annual Christmas auction which will be held this year on Tuesday, December 16, from noon to 1 at Troy Country Club. I've asked the club to prepare something special for lunch, and Tammy Christian has arranged for Jerry Stichter to once again be our auctioneer.

Each Rotarian is asked to bring a wrapped gift valued at \$25 minimum, and, of course, you can bring a gift worth more. We ask that you include a hint or clue as to the surprise inside. Please bring your checkbooks to this event and make your tax-deductible checks for purchased items payable to the Troy Rotary Foundation. All proceeds will go to the Troy Rotary Foundation and will be distributed by the foundation board.







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## Troy Tones Regale Rotary With Holiday Tunes

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