



# ROTA-BITS



## SERVICE ABOVE SELF

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### February is World Understanding Month in the Rotary International Calendar

#### LAST MEETING

Reported by Dianne McDermott

**Meeting Chair:** Wayne Brodnan

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Fred Lariccia

**Guests:** George Maier and Thom Sivo

**Prayer:** Dianne McDermott

**50/50 Winner:** Skip Trombetti

#### Announcements

Lake Metroparks' Steelheaders Ball will be February 17 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Lake Metroparks' Pine Ridge Country Club in Wickliffe.

Dianne McDermott is still selling Super Raffle tickets through the month of February.

The club is looking for presenters – see Lee Quinones.

#### PRESENTATION

**President Wayne opens our regular Club Assembly meeting.**



#### RI Foundation Report: Rick Cooper

After the Polio Plus drive, three Rotarians moved up to the next levels of giving: Rich Wilson attained PHF +1; Gary Estadt attained PHF +3 and Kevin Newcomb attained PHF +4.

After the promotion in November for donations to the annual fund, three names went into a raffle to win a PHF. Fred drew the winning name – Doug Grose – congratulations, Doug! Every Rotarian Every Year has a goal that each Rotarian gives \$100 to the annual drive each year. Mentor Rotary has exceeded that goal every year; however, not every Rotarian gives to the annual fund. There are three ways each Rotarian can give: be billed quarterly; set up an online account and pay with your credit card (minimum \$10 required) or go TRF direct.



#### Wine & Beer Tasting Event: Vickie Wildeman

March 10 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Honda of Mentor. Proceeds will benefit the Lake County Council on Aging and tickets are \$40 per person.

Sign up on the website! The event will feature live and silent auctions ... something for everyone! Tell all your friends to come.

Sponsorship levels for this event will be as follows: **Platinum** - \$1,000 (includes 8 tickets); **Gold** - \$500 (includes 4 tickets); and **Silver** - \$250 (includes two tickets). Contact Vickie if you'd like to *sponsor* this event. The program also will mention all sponsors.

If you want to volunteer the day of the event, Amy Kapostasy and Vickie are in charge of the auction; Ray Kirchner can answer questions about volunteering and John Solich, Vickie and Ron Traub can answer sponsorship questions.



#### GSE Team and Drama Program: Bill Robertson

The week of April 1-8, we are holding a Group Study Exchange with young adults from India. Bill Robertson is looking for families to host the visitors, who will also make a presentation to the club. Please let Bill know if you are interested in being a host.

Each fall and spring, Mentor and Painesville Rotarians attend local high

school plays, judge them and announce the winning plays. It's a lot of fun and creates competition among the high schools. Sign up sheets will start going around soon.



#### Membership: Vicki Curtis

We have 82 members, and our goal is 89 members. We also have two members who will be joining soon: our guests today, George Maier and Thom Sivo.



#### Mentoring: Chet Karchefsky

Chet reviewed a new mentoring program that links new members to existing members. Mentors would be on

hand to answer questions on a very informal basis either before or after meetings – like a buddy program. The goal is to make this as easy as possible and not a burden for anyone. Contact Chet for more information or if you have ideas for the program.



**Editor's Note:** All of the pictures above are by Dan Welker who has admitted to being suitably disciplined for missing the pictures last week. However, I was disappointed to hear that his chastisement included remarks that without pictures RotaBits was considered boring! I guess this is the wrong time to ask for an increase in the Editor's salary.

The Officers and Board Members who will begin their terms on July 1 have been announced. Leading our club for the Rotary Year 2012/2013 will be the following slate:

President: Tom Hough  
 Past President: Wayne Brodhan  
 President Elect: John Solich  
 Vice President: Amy Kapostasy  
 Secretary: Kevin Newcomb  
 Treasurer: Curt Jones  
 Sergeant at Arms: Fred Lariccia  
 Board of Directors:  
 Tom Lemire, Bob Boyd, T. R. Hach,  
 Tom Weiss, Shane Novak, Ron  
 Traub, Bob Fritts, Mike Scruggs and  
 Bill Robertson.

## JOCOE'S JOURNAL

Monday: Now home from our honeymoon and settled in our new home. It's fun to cook for Bill. Today I made an angel food cake and the recipe said, "beat 12 eggs separately." Well, I only had four bowls, so I had to borrow eight more from the neighbors to beat the eggs in, but the cake turned out fine.

Tuesday: I thought I'd surprise Bill with a fruit salad for supper. The recipe said "serve without dressing". Bill happened to bring a friend home for supper, and did they ever look surprised when I served that salad!

Wednesday: I decided to serve rice and found a recipe which said, "wash thoroughly before steaming the rice". So I heated some water and took a bath before steaming the rice. I can't say it improved the rice any.

Thursday: Today Bill asked for salad again. I tried a new recipe. It said, "prepare ingredients, then toss on a bed of lettuce one hour before serving." I went next door to my Mom's garden and tossed my salad into the bed of lettuce and stood over there one hour so the dog would not take it. Bill came over and asked if I felt all right. I wonder why?

Friday: Today I found an easy recipe for cookies. It said, "put all ingredients in a bowl and beat it." Beat it I did, right over to my mom's house. There must have been something wrong with the recipe, because when I came back home again it looked the same as when I left it.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 9** – Valentine's Day Program

**February 13** – Woodworking at Broadmoor School, 1:00PM

**February 15** – Board Meeting, 7:30AM

**February 16** – Cassie Shumaker - Reach Across America

**February 18** – District 6630 Gift of Life Benefit.

**February 23** - Bob Rosplock - Why persons with real property in multiple states should consider a trust

**March 8** - Joe Charbenneau

**March 10** – Annual Wine and Beer Tasting Event, 7PM to 10PM at Honda of Mentor

**March 12** - Woodworking at Broadmoor School, 1:00PM

**March 15** - Tim Ausperk

**March 21** - Board Meeting, 7:30AM

**March 22**- 4-Way Speech Contest- Bob Z.

**March 29** - Christy Lapaglia - CARES program for Autistic Children

**April 5** - GSE Team from India

## BIRTHDAYS

February 5 - Kevin Newcomb

February 12 - Amy Kapostasy

February 15 - Bob Sanderson

February 19 - Scott Marn

February 22 - Tom Hough

If I have missed anyone, please call 974-2494 or email [d.grose@sbcglobal.net](mailto:d.grose@sbcglobal.net)

## THE 4-WAY TEST

**Of the things we think, say or do...**

**Is it the Truth?**

**Is it Fair to all concerned?**

**Will it build Goodwill and Better**

**Friendships?**

**Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?**

## OFFICERS

### MENTOR ROTARY CLUB

2011\2012

#### President

Wayne Brodnan PHF

#### Immediate Past President

Mike Scruggs PHF

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Tom Hough

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Shane Novak

Ron Traub PHF

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Bill Robertson PHF

Amy Kapostasy

Tom Weiss

## Membership Chair

Vicki Curtis

## WHERE WE MEET

LaMalfa Center,

5783 Heisley Road,

Mentor, Ohio

Thursday at 12 Noon

OUR MAILING ADDRESS Mentor

PO Box 1177

Mentor, OH 44061-1177

## OUR WEB SITE

[www.mentor-rotary.org/](http://www.mentor-rotary.org/)

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

## MEETING MAKE-UPS

Following are a few nearby Rotary Club meeting sites and times for makeups;

### MONDAY

**Willoughby** at Gavi's, 12:00 PM

### TUESDAY

**Painesville** at Hellreigel's Inn at 12:00 Noon.

### WEDNESDAY

**Burton-Middlefield** at Punderson State Park Lodge, Newbury, 7:00PM

**Cleveland East** at Nighttown Restaurant 12387 Cedar Road Cleveland Hts. At Noon.

### THURSDAY

**Cleveland** at Windows on the River in the Flats, Bridge View Room, Third Floor, Windows on the River, Powerhouse. Nautica Entertainment Complex, 2000 Sycamore at 12:00

### FRIDAY

**Chagrin Highlands (Beachwood area):** at Mitchell's Fish Market, 28601 Chagrin Blvd., Woodmere (at Eton Square).