

Local High School Philanthropists Provide Insight Into YPC Activities

Members of Decatur County's Youth Philanthropy Council (YPC) - an effort established by the Decatur County Community Foundation - took time out of their busy school schedule to visit with Greensburg Rotarians and tell us how their organization is helping the greater Decatur County community while paving the way for future community leaders and altruists.

Stephanie Morford of North Decatur High School and Bradley Walling of South Decatur High School, two of the twelve members of YPC—four from each high school, said that



YPC's mission is "to philanthropically improve the lives of those in Decatur County by leveraging the skills and passions of young people." Each council member is expected to use their unique skills and passions to improve the lives of all Decatur County citizens while embodying the "Pillars of YPC" - Leadership, Generosity, Service, and Engagement. To do this, members participate in workshops and events led by local government and non-profit leaders, promote the work of the council within their school, and apply their knowledge to address community needs. Each council member is expected to take the lead on at least one monthly YPC volunteer opportunity each year.

Morford said that her experience on the YPC has opened her eyes to the concerns of the local community. Citing a local needs survey conducted by YPC, she said, "People submitted things I never thought of as being a problem." She also said that the workshop on Non-profit Accounting and Finance exposed her to an aspect of running a non-profit that she was previously unfamiliar with - how to obtain and manage funding.

Walling also said that the workshops and events were very beneficial, with events on general philanthropy and identifying community needs being of particular interest for him.

Members of YPC are currently working on identifying future programs while planning for the distribution of a recently-received \$15K grant. Morford said the council currently plans to set aside part of the grant as a growing fund for future councils. Additionally, the YPC has raised \$770 through fundraising to support their activities and assistance to the local community. (<https://www.dccfound.org/ypc>)

The Moores Use Annual "Snowbirding" to Florida for Rotary Engagement Fun

Greensburg Rotarian Larry Moore, along with his wife - Bev, continue to engage in the highly-encouraged and long-standing tradition of visiting with other Rotary clubs while out-and-about in the world. Having recently migrated to Florida for the winter, the Moores took time to visit with Rotarians at The Villages, Florida.

The Rotary Club of the Villages holds their meetings Thursday mornings, hosts an annual Chili Cook-off each February, and regularly "Serves to Change Lives" through volunteer work at The Girl Scout Camp—Wildwood. (<https://villagesrotary.org/>)

GREENSBURG ROTARY PRESIDENT'S CHAT

At our November board meeting, the board voted to sponsor December birthdays on WTRE again this year. So be listening for our Club's name on-air throughout December.

The board also voted on two donations: one for Tree County Players, and one for the Community Foundation which is part of a match challenge.

Sally is in the process of arranging entertainment for the Christmas party. She has some feelers already out; if you have any suggestions, though, feel free to share with her or me. Thank you, Sally, for making our Christmas party special!

Serving to change lives, Jenni

ROTARY CALENDAR

Upcoming Programs:

Nov 22 - Daryl Tressler--Hops Farming

Nov 29 - Sharee Sheets--Rotary ShelterBox Program

Other Important Dates:

Nov 20 (Sat)- Service Event - Tree City Run

Nov 22 - Poinsettia Order Forms Due!

Dec 10 - Rotary Christmas Party, Hampton Inn

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- YMCA Tree City Run Service Event (Sat, Nov 20, 8AM Reg, 9 AM Course Directors) - Sign up online at <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SGskcOoiFtKo5OpOfzXuQpBqmKE4S4MwiMBQRmjJD-8/edit#gid=0>
- Poinsettia Sales Order Forms & Payments Due 22 Nov —> Pick-up/Delivery 3 - 4 Dec; we'll need volunteers
- Donations for the Greensburg Rotary Annual Christmas Auction Due **NLT 01 Dec** at the Decatur County Community Foundation
- Hospital Foundation Holiday Lane Service Event (Thu, Dec 02 - 12:30 to 3:30PM) - Sign up online at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fCD3mvsrOh-hTIC7w6SgN1O_TJoO6gVO4g6ftsfZy54/edit#gid=0
- Rotary Christmas Party (Dec 10) @ Hampton Inn, Greensburg - Social Hour 5:30 to 6:30PM, followed by dinner - Sign up online at <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1BpobRnOmarqX4Z5v0zi9BSY-ew-drNPYqvriSrguVoQ/edit#gid=0>
- Cheer Fund Bell Ringing Service Event (Sat, Dec 18 - 9AM to 1 PM) - Sign up online at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LT7yeFJKmOLO_Woo4cuiKIcCmbhc3wtfph5SkPxWv7w/edit#gid=0