

Rotary



Club of Cranberry Township - Sunrise

Speakers

Events

March 13th
[Cranberry Township Sunrise
Rotary Spring Food Drive](#)

Birthdays

Brian M. Kile
February 23rd
Michael J. Ozdinec
March 1st
Jerry A. Andree
March 12th
Elayne P. Wilhelm
March 14th

Wedding Anniversaries

Teresa L Gadberry
March 4th

Club Leaders



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President



[Mark W Segar](#)
President - Elect



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Bulletin - Club Meeting 2.12.2021

By Erica Anne Sabatini on Friday, February 12, 2021

Members in attendance via Zoom: Karen Newpol, Jack Cohen, Jerry Andree, Erica Sabatini, Michael Pologruto, Vic Conrad, Elayne Wilhelm, Teresa Gadbury, Ron Gigler, Carl Heinlein, Walt Scott, Matt Fiore, Shawn Firster, Mike Patsy, Kim Reuss, Mark Segar, Michael Ozdinec

Guests in attendance via Zoom: None today

Happy Bucs:

- Carl is happy that his youngest is attending a Rotary meeting in Tiffin, Ohio virtually and submitted an application to work in Cranberry Township as a camp counselor this summer.
- Jack is happy that today is Lincoln's birthday!
- Karen is happy that she and Rich were able to ski this past weekend even after 10 years.
- Kim is asking for prayers for her parents. Kim is leaving soon to go take care of her parents. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

News:

- **Student of the Month:** The next one will be at 8:15 on Thursday, February 25. If you are interested in attending, please let Ron or PJ know and they will get the Zoom link to you.
- **Food Drive:** This project will be on Saturday, March 13. We have three (3) volunteers at the food bank and need a total of 20 other volunteers (10 per shift) to help. Vic reminded the Club to have sheets printed thanking folks for their donation and what we represent as Rotary.
- **NCTA Cleanup:** We will be heading out in May to clean up the trail again. More
- **Lighthouse Prep:** We will be returning to the Lighthouse mission on June 12, 2021.
- **Dictionary Program:** Michael Peuler has been in touch with the teachers at Rowan Elementary. More information will be coming regarding this event.
- **Foundation Chair:** Kim has expressed interest in becoming the Foundation Chair for the club, which is contingent upon someone taking over the Scholarship Committee.
- **District Award Forms:** These are due by the end of April and it is a Club effort. Ron will continue working on this to get it submitted.
- **YMCA Bowl for Kids:** Jack sent a flyer to Ron about this event. The Y is trying to raise money. Jack thought some members might like to go represent the Club at the event. The event is on March 7 from 12:00 - 3:00 pm in Butler. Let's get our bowl on!
- **Adopt a Highway Cleanup:** Karen and Jerry have been working on this potential project. It would be on Powell Road (section between Rochester Road and Glen Eden). If you clean up a section of road twice per year, you get a sign with your name on it. This could be a great, annual service opportunity for the Club. Jerry thinks that this is at least a two (2) year commitment. The Township would provide us with cones, vests and the fun little trash picker-upper things. This is a great way too for the Club to advertise who we are and what we are about by being out in the community helping cleanup while wearing our Rotary swag.
- **Project Warm:** Our coat supplier is out! We are looking for alternate suppliers of coats or other ideas for how we can meet the general goal of this project. Michael has the following ideas: finding a new coat supplier who can make coats, reach out to other organizations to see how they can help, and see what ideas Club members have to get these 26 coats. Jack is going to take care of ordering the coats today so that we can finalize this grant project.
- **Board Meeting Update:**
 - The Board had to change the design slightly to the ROTY award as the ones previously used have been modified.
 - The Board also discussed the March Madness Raffle and potential discount for it this year.
 - The Board decided with COVID it would not be in the Club's best interest to take on that raffle for this spring.
 - Mark brought up for discussion an opportunity to have more fundraising projects like raffles (either quarterly or semi-annually). The Board wanted to bring this to the Club's attention to see what members' thoughts are. Ron likes the idea of having more raffles but likes to have them tied into an event or holiday.
 - Future Budget: Jack will be District Governor in 2022-2023. We will have to set up a budget to account for the district conference for that time. Ken Fleeson and Mike Patsy will be chairing the conference and make sure that everything gets done that



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needs to be done.

- **Satellite Club:** Elayne and Jack met last night to discuss the possibility of a satellite club. Elayne is interested in setting up a satellite club that would meet only once per month. She is putting together a presentation about this. The satellite club would count as part of our Club. This would be a way for folks who cannot attend a weekly meeting at 7:30 am each week who would perhaps be interested in helping the community but cannot make the meetings.

Member Spotlight: None today.

Presentation: None today.

💎s Fun Facts:

- It was not until the 1840s did we have the first mass-produced Valentine's Day cards. People started exchanging cards and handwritten letters to both lovers and friends during the 17th century, but it was in the 1840s that the first Valentine's Day cards were mass-produced in the U.S., sold by Esther A. Howland. Known as the "Mother of the American Valentine," Howland is credited with commercializing Valentine's Day cards in America, and she is remembered for her elaborate, crafty cards made with lace and ribbons.
- Weirdly enough, the story of conversation hearts first began when a Boston pharmacist named Oliver Chase invented a machine that simplified the way medical lozenges used for sore throats and other illnesses could be made. The result was America's first candy-making machine, because the pharmacist soon started shifting his focus from making lozenges to candy instead! Chase founded the New England Confectionery Company, or Necco, and the candy lozenges soon became what we know today as Necco wafers. ***You would think someone would have found a way to make these taste better over the years***