

**Rotary**



**Club of  
Tiffin**

## Rotary Learns More About the RI Foundation

By Robert Lee Martin



President Mimi Johnston opened the July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Chandelier Event Center. Chris Lewis offered an opening prayer. Keith Hodkinson announced that the Rotary license plate design has been approved and is now available through the BMV. If you purchase one, a portion of the price will return to Rotary.

### Guests/Attendance:

Guests today included Aubra Miller with Bryce Riggs. Attendance today was 29. Celebrating birthdays were Jeff Feasel and Luke Bolte. The Basket Fund raised \$32. Dave Spridgeon won the Weekly Drawing and Jim Fruth the Free Lunch.

### Committee Reports:

The Centennial Committee recommended the club locate the Centennial Clock in the "bump-out" near the Renaissance. The club voted unanimously in favor.

Fundraising chair Dave Spridgeon announced that Beth Schweitzer's Sponsor Committee has raised \$8,000 in sponsorships for our October Rotary's Ribs Rock and Rum event. Beth said they need volunteers to help call potential sponsors who have not responded. A sign-up sheet is being passed around. Keith Hodkinson announced that the Zone is doing a Zone Institute training in Huntsville, Alabama September 5-8. Chris Lewis reported that the Rotary Foundation donated \$1,000 to the Seneca County 4H Leadership program to build a GaGa Ball Pit which was heavily used during the Fair.

### Sarge's Report:

Sarge Tom had a Happy Dollar because he will be bringing his daughter Celeste home from Florida after a summer of working at Disney. Bob O. had one for his wife Shirley who will turn 86 this week. Anne had one for a trip she and her family are taking a trip to San Diego to where she and Derek became engaged. Chris had one for 4H which is a wonderful workforce development program.

### Program:

Lee Martin was our speaker today and his topic was the Rotary Foundation. He kicked off his presentation with a video explaining what the Foundation does. It provides funding to programs which support one or more of Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus: (1) Peacebuilding and conflict resolution, (2) Disease prevention, (3) Water, Sanitation & Hygiene, (4) Maternal and Child Health, (5) Education and literacy, (6) Economic development, and the (7) Environment. In 2022, the Rotary Foundation donated \$55m to Global Grants, \$26m to District Grants, \$15 to Disaster Response, and \$2m to Programs of Scale. 50% of donations are returned to the Districts after three years to be spent on District Grants. 88% of all donated money is spent on programs and their operations. For more info, go to: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

### Club Meeting

Tiffin meets at the Chandelier Event Center, 151 S. Washington St., Tiffin, OH 44883 or via Zoom

Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

### Speakers

**August 06, 2024**  
[Mike Lento](#), Calvert High School Football Coach

**August 13, 2024**  
[Beth Schweitzer](#)  
Club Assembly  
Membership Fun & Games

**August 20, 2024**  
[Peggy Moerdyk](#)  
GriefShare Program

**August 27, 2024**  
[Lee Martin](#), Club Secretary  
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### Birthdays

Damon Duane Alt  
August 1st  
Elaine E. Daugherty  
August 3rd

## Club Leaders



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