

Rotary

District 6780



Club of Cleveland



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Speakers

March 23, 2021

Command Sergeant Major Gary L. Littrell

Personal Life Story

April 06, 2021

Darde Long
Chattanooga Zoo

April 13, 2021

Joe Bryan
Trail of Tears

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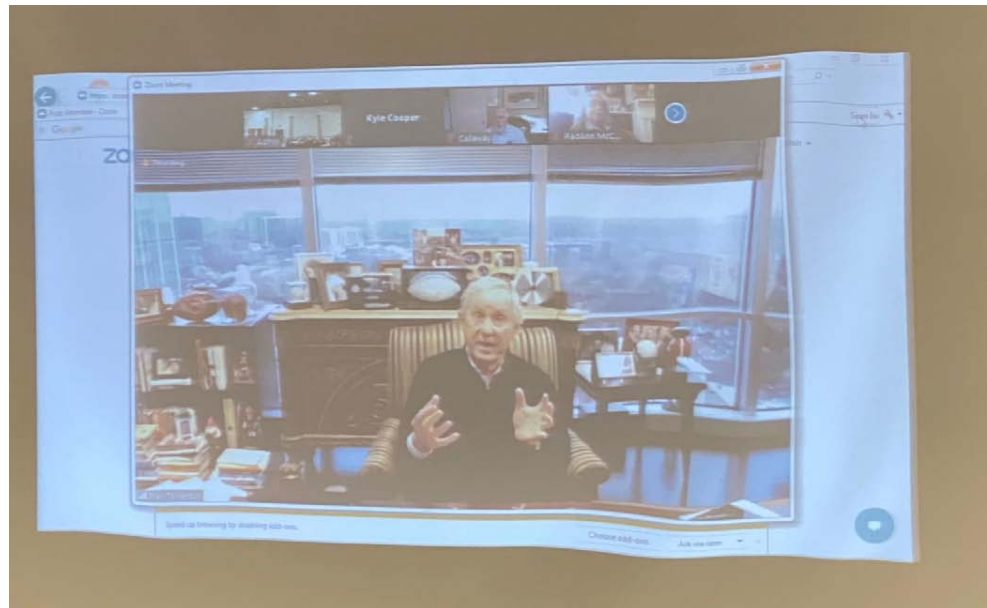


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"I am a product of all the people I learned from"

By Mica Stephens on Friday, March 19, 2021



At our March 16th meeting, NFL Hall of Famer quarterback Fran Tarkenton joined us at our meeting via Zoom from Atlanta. Beyond his vibrant career as a football player, Fran has spent 50 years building over 20 companies. He gained experience in a multitude of business industries before branching out and starting a business of his own.

Fran said he is often asked what his secret to success is, and what are some of the key attributes he has obtained that led him to his accomplishments. He explained, it's so much more than just him that has made his endeavors a success.

◆I am a product of all the people I learned from◆, Fran stated. It's through the lessons he learned from others that led him to the success he found in business. He also said, ◆I was coachable and sought being mentored◆.

One of the keys to achievement is not acknowledging what you know, but actually acknowledging what you do not know, and having the ability to seek out those who do. Fran went on to say ◆every time I thought I had all the answers, I got knocked down◆.

Some of Fran's standout advice was that relationships are truly one of the most valuable assets a business can have. ◆Business for me has always been about other people...if it's good for them, I'll make it happen. If it's not good for them, it won't happen◆, Fran is out to help people, which in turn helps business. He advised us that the best leaders and entrepreneurs are those that make others around them want to do better, and be better. These qualities are what will lead to true success.



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Interactive Member Poll: March 16, 2021 - All entertainers come original

Friday, March 19, 2021

At the March 16, 2021 NFL and Quarterback and successful entrepreneur Fran Tarkenton said that his greatest ability was to be coachable and learn from the greats. He said "I've never had an original thought."

Tell us: If you had to pick just one, is the key to YOUR success your original thinking, or what you've learned from others?

☐ My Original Thinking

☐ What I've Learned From Others

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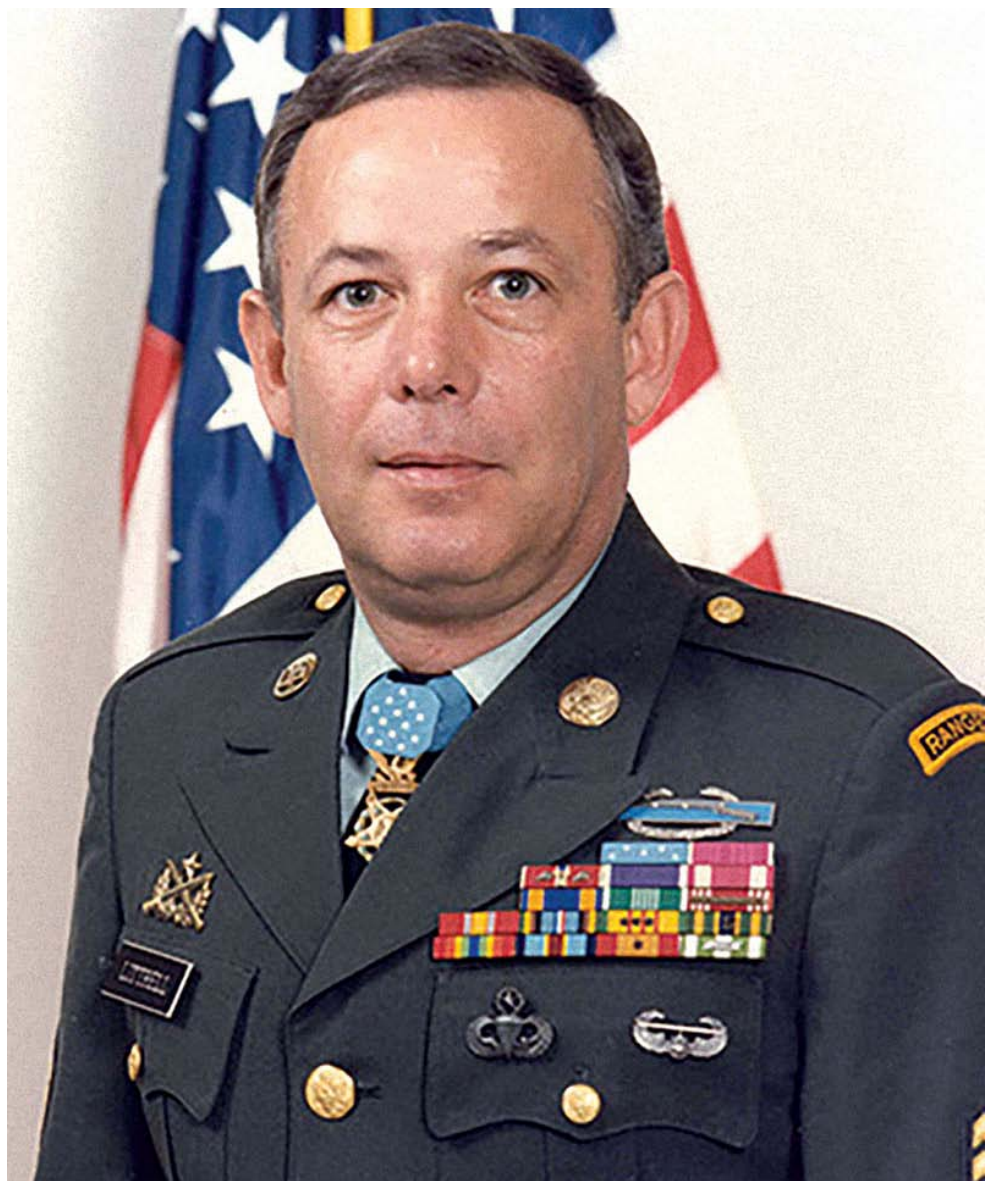
March 23 Program: SFC Gary L. Littrell

Friday, March 19, 2021

Birthdays

Timothy P Cook
March 20th
William Allan Jones III
March 22nd
G. Seth Ford
March 26th
Hunter McCord
March 29th
Ken Melton
April 2nd
Kim Gunter
April 5th
James Harper

April 6th
Bryan C Clary
April 13th
Kyle Cooper
April 16th
Nicholas Lillios
April 17th



Sergeant First Class Gary L. Littrell, United States Army, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, Advisory Team 21, distinguished himself during the period April 4 to 8, 1970 while serving as a Light Weapons Infantry Advisor with the 23rd Battalion, 2nd Ranger Group, Republic of Vietnam Army, near Dak Seang in Kontum Province, Republic of Vietnam. After establishing a defensive perimeter on a hill on April 4, the battalion was subjected to an intense enemy mortar attack which killed the Vietnamese commander, one advisor, and seriously wounded all the advisors except Sergeant Littrell. During the ensuing four days, Sergeant Littrell exhibited near superhuman endurance and conspicuous gallantry as he singlehandedly bolstered the besieged battalion. Repeatedly abandoning positions of relative safety, he directed artillery and air support by day and marked the unit's location by night, despite the heavy, concentrated enemy fire. His dauntless will instilled in the men of the 23rd Battalion a deep desire to resist. Assault after assault was repulsed as the battalion responded to the extraordinary leadership and personal example exhibited by Sergeant Littrell as he continuously moved to those points most seriously threatened by the enemy, redistributed ammunition, strengthened faltering defenses, cared for the wounded and shouted encouragement to the Vietnamese in their own language. When the beleaguered battalion was finally ordered to withdraw, numerous ambushes were encountered. Sergeant Littrell repeatedly prevented widespread disorder by directing air strikes to within 50 meters of their position. Through his indomitable courage and complete disregard for his safety, he averted excessive loss of life and injury to the members of the battalion. The sustained extraordinary courage and selflessness displayed by Sergeant Littrell over an extended period of time were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him and the United States Army.



IN PERSON (or Zoom) beginning March 9th

Friday, March 5, 2021

A message from Rotary President Mike Griffin:

We will begin meeting hybrid (In person and via Zoom) beginning at our next meeting on March 9th. In case you missed it, I have attached a link to a survey regarding in person attendance and meals. Things to remember:

1. If you opted in for meals before, you will be opted back in for meals
2. If you want to change your preference let me or Tanya Mazzolini know
3. The charge for the four meals in March will be added to your next Rotary invoice

I look forward to seeing everyone either on Zoom or in person next week. Any questions, please feel free to give me a call. 423-802-2202 Remember the survey below. Thanks MG

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/rotaryattendance>

Here are the Zoom Instructions for March & April:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762494154?pwd=REtldVExdzVRZ1hQOXIVZk9zWm9qUT09>

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Survey: Do you need a meal on March 23?

Friday, March 19, 2021

Below is a survey concerning meals for March 23. We are surveying members each week so we can get a good idea of how many meals to order for each meeting, so please answer the survey each week.



For the meals, we are rotating between three local restaurants:

3/16/21 - Honey Baked Ham - Variety of Sandwichs and Salads - Chip & Cookie - Sweet/Unsweet Tea
3/23/21 - Little Diner on 1st - Grilled or Fried Chicken Salads or Cheesburger & Fries - Cookie - Bottled Water
3/30/21 - Five Points Restaurant - Choice of Turkey Sandwich or Chicken Salad Sandwich - Chips & Brownie - Sweet/Unsweet Tea

The same food and restaurants rotate in this order.

Welcome New Members: Adam Osborne and Paul Moyle

Friday, March 19, 2021



We welcomed two new members at our March 16th meeting: Paul Moyle and Adam Osborne (Pictured above, left to right, with President Mike Griffin).

Paul is Assistant DA with the District Attorney's Office, and is sponsored by Leon Shahan.

Adam is Account & Assurances Partner at HHM CPAs, and is sponsored by Mike Griffin.

Ken Bolin Proposed For Membership

Tuesday, March 9, 2021



Ken is Executive Director of Garden Plaza at Cleveland, and is sponsored for Rotary Club of Cleveland by Bethany McCoy.

Before joining Garden Plaza, Ken worked for Life Care Centers of America for more than 21 years, most recently as the Eastern Division Controller.

Originally from Hampton, VA, he earned his Bachelors in Business Administration from Lee University. He has lived in Cleveland since 1991 and is a member of North Cleveland Church of God. He and his wife, Cindy, have two sons, Eli and Ben.

Great Opportunity for Rotary Leadership Institute Part 1, but you have to act fast

Friday, March 19, 2021

Are you or someone else in your club interesting in learning more about Rotary at the district and international level? If so, District 6780 is hosting a class, the Rotary Leadership Institute, RLI-I, on **Saturdays, April 10 & 17** from 9:30-1 EST (8:30-12 CST) **via an online class**. Each Saturday will have three topics of discussion. It's a great opportunity for new members, or those who have been a member awhile to learn more about Rotary and leadership in a volunteer organization. It's also perfect for those members who are on the track to club leadership!

What is Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)?

- ◆ Series of fast paced interactive courses
- ◆ Designed to build knowledge of Rotary. Among others, topics include Membership, Service Projects, and the Rotary Foundation
- ◆ Courses are fun, topical, hands-on ◆ Class members learn from each other ◆ No lectures!
- ◆ Geared toward busy business professionals who want to be more effective leaders in their vocation and in their Rotary club
- ◆ Participants return to their club with new friends, enthusiasm, fresh ideas, & valuable leadership skills

Who should attend?

- ◆ New members
- ◆ Active Rotarians
- ◆ Future club leaders

How do I register?

Register directly for RLI-I by sending an email to **Donna Fare** at dfare@blomand.net by **Wednesday, March 24th**.

Don't Miss This Opportunity! A limited number of participants is available.

For further info, contact Donna Fare at dfare@blomand.net

Donna Fare
Rotary District 6780
RLI Coordinator
Cell 931.607.2130

More Rotary Banners From Around the World

Friday, March 5, 2021

Rotarian Don Ritzhaupt has shared a few more banners from our club's collection:

100 Year Anniversary of the Rotary International Foundation, John Germ was International President in that year (2017):



A high quality leather banner from Sao Paulo, Brazil:



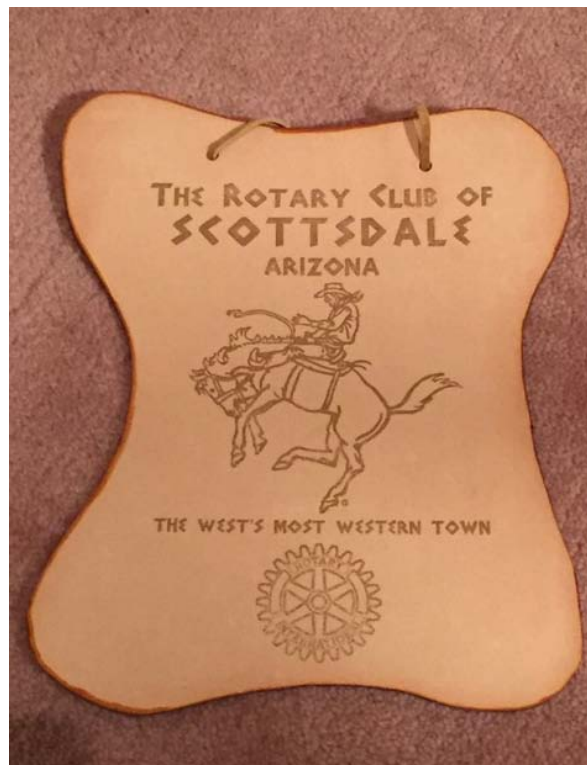
International Convention Banner brought back by Dwight Richardson:



Koyto Japan, brought back from one of Don's trips:



Tanned raw hide from Scottsdale AZ, brought back by David Chaffin



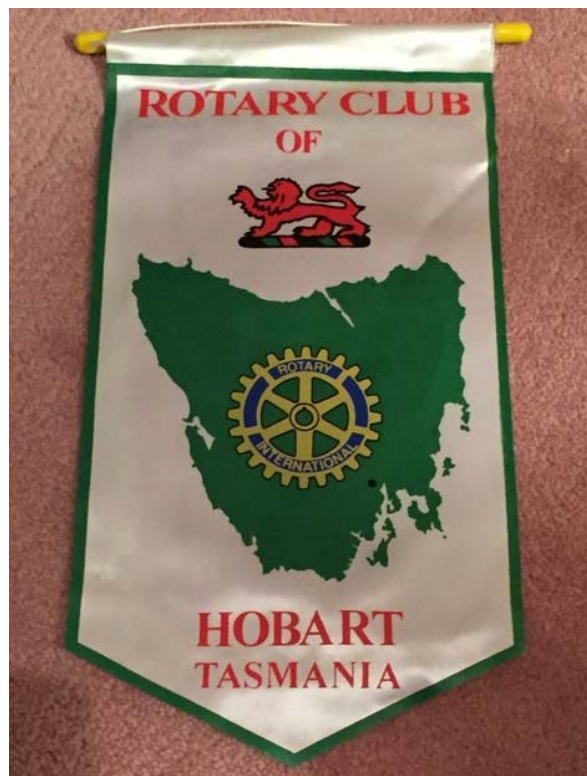
Hershey, PA. We have two of these banners, from Doug Caywood & David Chaffin:



Woven rug style banner from Albuquerque, New Mexico, by David Chaffin:



Hobart, Tasmania, a banner that Don brought back from a trip:



Stainless Steel Banner from Germany by a Rotary exchange student.

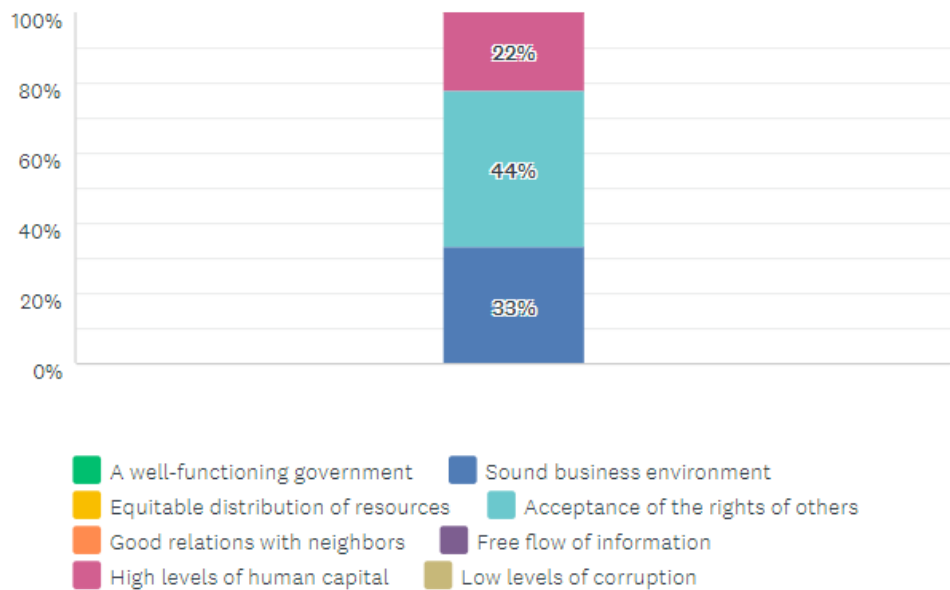


Results from last week's poll: Which Positive Peace Pillar Does the USA Do BEST?

Friday, March 19, 2021

At the March 9, 2021 meeting Jim Roxolo educated the club on the Global Peace Index. The United States scores high on the Positive Peace Scale.

We asked: Which of these 8 pillars of Positive Peace do you think the United States does BEST?



There are eight pillars, but only three won votes from our club for what the USA does best.

Don't forget to answer this week's poll: [Is your success due to original thought?](#)

Take a Virtual Tour of Rotary International World Headquarters



During the COVID-19 pandemic, Rotary International has been unable to offer in-person tours of its World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois. Now a new virtual tour makes it easy for members to get a peek at the changes that have been made in the building whenever and wherever they may be. Learn more about Rotary's vision to create lasting change in communities around the world. [Share the virtual tour](#) with members of your club at its next meeting.

Rotary Club of Cleveland
Meets at Museum Center at Five Points
200 Inman St E
Cleveland, TN 37311
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM