

ROTARY ELEVATOR

October 2006

Message from the President Barbara

Hello Friends!

Happy Thanksgiving Month!

If you missed our Rotary Club Assembly, then you don't know we are **bringing canned/boxed goods to each of our November meetings** to help refill the shelves of our hometown *Fish Pantry* as the cold weather approaches. We have so much to be thankful for – and November is a great opportunity to share in our blessings in this very simple way. Let's really make an effort to overwhelm them with our giving.

Many thanks to our audit committee: **Kevin Sonnyalb, Dave Wedderburn, Terri Mazur, and Todd Reichley** – for performing a two year audit of our financial records. They report: "The committee felt that we have an excellent Secretary/Treasurer. The records were adequate and in good order."

Mark your calendars for two important upcoming Xenia Rotary projects in December:

- **Ringing the Bell** for *The Salvation Army*. Get ready for the sign-up sheet. This project is chaired this year by **Dale Hagler!**

The Club Christmas Party for some of the young people in our community who need some extra love and support!

- The **Christmas Auction** will be **Tuesday, December 12, 2006.**
- The **Children's Christmas Party** will be the following **Wednesday, December 20th.**

Brian Liming is again chairing this wonderful project – but is looking for some new help. Please contact Brian if you can assist him.

I have much to be thankful for this month – including the friendships and commitment of the Xenia Rotary Club!

Thank you for all you do.

Be safe. Every day is a gift.

Barbara



October 3, 2006 - Meeting Notes

Greeter: Tony Sculimbren; Invocation Bill Flaute; Song Leader Terry Hall.

Where is everyone... slim crowd today.... But a Beautiful Day... must be golfing day for some.

Personal Profile came from Dr. O. Randolph (Randy) Overbeck wearing his usual *Save the Children* tie. (never did say what the O. stands for?) One of seven brothers and no sisters, Randy is the only educator in the family. Randy holds a BS from Xavier 1972; MS from U of Dayton and a Ph.D from UD 20 years later in 1997. He has served 35 years in education having taught elementary, middle school, HS, under graduate and graduate courses, served as an assistant and as a superintendent of schools. Eleven years in the Xenia Schools he serves as the Director of Instructional Services. Says he loves Xenia, the teamwork and the challenges. He has been a JC, Optimist, Kiwanian, and Rotarian. Clearly Xenia Rotary has been the best. He has three grown children and three grandchildren. His hobbies include jogging now more like a lope and writing. He is working on a fiction book, *Leave no Child Behind*, about terrorist take over of a school. He joined the Xenia Rotary in 1999 and leads our *Rotary Reads* program.

Sarge Ron Geyer was the man of the hour/month. Had several news articles but only Jeff Lewis was present in a picture wearing a funny hat. Ron then told of his bad day not selling his house in 18 months, the Bengals, etc. So after a long story on wanting to feel better, he fined us all to make him feel better. 52/50 winner was George Whyde with the Attendance non-winner Tony McIlvaine.

President Barbara presented a \$250 check to the XARSC for support their annual Roast.

Brad Montgomery subbing for Virgil Brantley introduced our program of the day, Terry Carlisle, Executive Director of the Family Violence Prevention Center of Greene County.

Terry started saying that October is "Domestic Violence Awareness Month." Terry then went on to explain that to hide a shelter is to hide the problem. We

need to raise awareness as Ohio has 1 in 4 woman being abused sexually, emotionally, and physically. Emotional control is worse than physical violence. A "Survivor" is one who has successfully moved away from their abusive situation. A "Thrifer" is one who has escaped violence and now works to stop it. They help others to realize they are



being abused. The Center has placed information holders in businesses and facilities around the county with a handy carry take on card saying, "Roses, apologies & promises don't stop abuse." Call the Center if you would like a stand for your place of employment.

The Center operates a 24-hour crisis hotline and individuals in need of safe housing. Clients can refer themselves or they may be referred by local police or other community agencies via the 24-hour crisis hotline. All personal amenities are provided while in the housing program including food, personal times, transportation, case management and goal planning, supervised child care and access to other agency programs. Families remain in shelter for a transitional period determined on a case by case basis with an average length of stay of 21 days. Follow-up home visits services are provided for up to one year following exit from the housing program.

Terry then introduced Pam Benjamin, a "Thrivor", who survived two abusive relationship and now speaks to others about the problem. A professional health care consultant with her own business, she asked, "Do I look like a battered woman?" No, you never would guess that she was a "survivor" and now a "thrivor". She told of a somber and a sad story of her and her children's life of mental and physical abuse. One husband, a teacher and athletic coach was sexually abusing her daughter was sentence to five years but served only two year. He now lives in the area.

She mentioned some signs of abuse are possessiveness and jealousy; victim feels a need to please; belief that the wife is crazy; feels need to control.

For more information call the Family Violence Preventions Center 937 372 4552 or see their website: www.fvpcgc.org/

October 10, 2006 - Meeting Notes

Greeter was Brian Liming; Invocation by David Thompson and Song Leader Terry Hall with President Barbara at the controls. Sarge Ron Geyer fined Terry H. as his he thought his jokes were pretty bad ...but Ron's were not much better. Visiting were two Buckeye Boys State participants along with Vicki Huff: Ryan and Bryan Simpson... yes they are twins. The always absent Eric W. missed winning the Attendance but Jeff E took home the 52/50.

Keith Sheridan was back at Rotary today after having heart surgery with a Big Thanks to all for the prayers and cards. (Said it hurt just as much as the first time!)

Personal Profile was our President-elect Joe Mullins. Contrary to what we may think, Joe was born in Middletown Ohio and not Kentucky. Although he says his parents immigrated from Kentucky. But Joe did move to Jellico, Tennessee while in high school graduating in 1983 a year early. (Was Joe ahead of every one or where they just slower learners??) Rather than attend college Joe stated in the radio business at age 17 and then banjo player at 18 before bouncing around the country as a full time road musician. Said he picked up some bad habits along the way until having a salvation experience. Married his wife Tammy in 1987 and they have two children a sophomore and 8th grader at Cedarville. In July 1995, Joe had the opportunity to take over WBZI at age 29 and try to make something of it. Thanks to

whole lot of people in the room and the good Lord he has done all right. Opened a retail store with the radio station in 1997; bought another station in Wilmington in 2003 and then bought a Preble County station. His stations now cover one fourth of Ohio and a couple of Indiana counties. Joe loves to do lots of fishing.

Jeff Brock was our program chair and introduced Mark Caleb Smith, a Ph.D. from the Department of Social Science and History at Cedarville University who spoke on Mid Term Elections 2006. An Indianapolis native he graduated from the University of Georgia and has been at Cedarville for three years. Dr Smith said he was honored to speak to a group that was not 18-22 years old as they make him feel old. Speaking to the Xenia Rotary made him feel young.



Dr Smith gave several definitions of Politics the best however being: POLITICS": (Greek "POLY"= many) + ("TICS"= blood sucking insects). President Barbara thought that was enough of the program standing to stop the speaker but let graciously allowed to continue.

Mid term elections are different from presidential elections as the turn out is way down and decided by who shows up to vote. Which party has the most passion to get out and vote? The 2002 mid term Republicans made a come back to take over the Congress. Mid terms are largely local and have not been followed by the national media but that was before 24 hour cable news and the internet have made local elections national news.

George W. Bush is not very popular and hurting the party plus the scandals never help Republicans or Democrats. Only 40 of the house seats of the 435 or less than 10% are being contested. The others are concerned *safe* seats due to the drawing of the districts. The House is supposed to be the voice of the people elected every two years. But 90% of the seats are not competitive. Thirty three seats are up for the Senate. Fifteen by the Republicans and eighteen by the Democrats leaving six seats that are open and competitive. Thus either party could take control.

In Ohio DeWine and Brown are very, very close. In the Blackwell vs. Strickland race, Blackwell's connection the Ohio GOP problems and President Bush have pulled him down. We will have to wait and see what happens on Election Day.

October 17, 2006 - Meeting Notes

Greeting was Tom "the Sausage Man" Sefton all dressed up with a suit and tie... and not a Bob Evans string tie. Asked Tom what ever happen to those ties? New image but maybe we should go back to them. When a salesman walked into a store they knew where you were from. Maybe change is not always good.

So, So quiet today without Jean playing the piano. We do miss her which she is not present. What no President Barbara

again? But “Jovial Joe” and incoming president is getting lots of practice for next year. Brad M. prayed for us. Vickie Huff present with two more Buckeye Boys State participants Nick Leary and Zack George who spoke of their experiences. Vickie says this is her last year before retiring.

Personal Profile was from Todd Reichley but it was so short if you blinked you missed it. A son of Dow and Judy Reichley, Todd is a Xenia native and XHS grad. Married to Karen they have two children ages 4 and 1 1/2 Todd is a third generation insurance guy with his brother at Reichley Insurance. Short and Sweet is what he said.

Cliff Johnson invited all to Cedarville U. Chapel for Veteran Day recognition on Friday November 10.

Sarge Ron Geyer only had two Gazette articles and they were both on Jeff Lewis. Asked his brother Bob about the 1966 XHS Class Reunion and heard the 1966 rock & roll band played again. Bob said his fingers were sore from playing bass guitar again after many, many years. Caught Kevin Wickman leaving early but he stayed a while longer when found out he won a three week attendance prize! 52/50 went to Dale Hagler.

Tom Harris chair of the program today introduced his Boss and frequent visiting Rotarian from Beaver Creek Marsha Leonard, Superintendent of the Greene Career Center. Marsha spoke of the Career Center mission of providing *Lifetime Opportunities for Success*. Benjamin Fluharty, a Media Design student and Christina Dalton, an Allied Health Occupations student both XHS students attending the Career Center spoke of their experiences and term goal of attending higher education.



Using two handouts Marsha spoke of the upcoming election with Issue 7, a five-year 0.75 mill permanent replacement levy and Issue 8, a five-year 0.25 mill improvement new levy for renovation/construction of facilities for growth in the health and public safety educational programs for the Greene County Career Center. Both of these areas have the highest job availability now and in the future. Marsha went into detail on the uses of the funds to be generated by these levies.

[October 24, 2006 - Meeting Notes](#)

After a rousing rendition of *Shine on Harvest Moon* led by Terry Hall, President Barb announced Greg Hebrank as 52/50 winner & Randy Overbeck as attendance prize winner.

Today’s speaker was Jerry Holt, Dean of Liberal Studies for the McGregor School at Antioch University. Jerry is a teacher, writer, playwright, and actor. He was originally from Oklahoma and relocated to Portsmouth Ohio in 1991. He came to Portsmouth during the annual Roy Rogers Festival and immediately fell in love with the area. Jerry will be performing his one man show, *WOODY* at the Faith Community Church November 5th. The play is based on the life of Woody Hayes, the Ohio State football legend. Woody

Hayes was born at near Clifton, Ohio on Valentines Day 1913. He always loved sports and in HS played football, baseball & basketball. He always disliked golf. He was a great student with his favorite subjects History and English.



Later in life as a coach he would share military history stories with players during half time. In 1942 he married Ann Gross. She was always his biggest fan and knew as much about football as Woody. Woody coached at several colleges including Dennison and Miami before coming to Ohio State in 1951.

Ohio State was considered the *Graveyard for Coaches* because of the expectations to win. Fans were difficult to please and many times during the early years fans wanted Woody to leave. Woody Hayes was a man of contradictions: difficult, enthusiastic, emotional and prone to violent outbursts. He pushed the players so hard they were at times too exhausted to play well on Saturday. Most people did not know that Woody visited the terminal children’s ward at the local hospital giving dying children game balls and Ohio State mementos. His archives include letters of thanks from the parents. In 1978, Woody, at age 65, lost control during a game and slugged an opposing player. It was caught on camera. It was the end of a long career for Woody and an event that will always be remembered in sports.

[October 31, 2006 - Meeting Notes](#)

Light crowd today... was it the rainy weather or the program of Club Assembly???

Greeter was Keith Sheridan; Invocation by Cliff Johnson; Song Leader Rock McColaugh who led a couple of politically incorrect gender songs about guys and men of Rotary. President Barbara wearing a silver crown today as the *Queen* of the Xenia Rotary Club said we need to change song books.

Sarge Ron Geyer was up saying that the song books were published before woman were allowed in Rotary... and Rotary was special then! Queen Barbara said it would be special again with woman! If it wasn’t for Jeff Lewis, we would have nobody to fine from Gazette articles. So Sarge Ron picked upon Brain S. for Mich State football losses; Brian L. for the Browns bad play calls... almost like the Bengals. Attendance went to present Ron Roth with 52/50 to Jack Bergin both sitting at the same table. Sarge Ron said it took President Barbara five draws to find two guys sitting together to win. Ron claims his name is not in the hat. Kevin S. then said you have to pay your dues to get your name in the hat. Uh uh!



Queen Barbara then took the podium to conduct her first Club Assembly saying she was now 1/3 the way through her term as president. Using an Outline with copies at each tables she covered the following items:

- **Intro of Board of Directors** commenting that these were the people who did the work.
- **It takes a Village** – acknowledging all the club volunteers who have had “jobs” in the past four months i.e. greeter, Ohio Reads, Sarge, etc. to make the club run weekly.
- **What have we accomplished?:** - First annual golf outing raising \$5,000 for an international project. Increased Communications- newspaper, club website www.xeniarotary.com, Board reports to website and the *Elevator*, email of *Elevator* for savings of over \$50/month.
- **Finances** - attached to the Outline was a copy of an Audit Report covering the last two years stating that the books were in good order. A couple of recommendations were made for the future.
- **Grant Committee** - chaired by Andy Pope. A report was attached to the Outline showing the individual grants from July 1 though October 28, 2006 totaling \$11,689.41.

July 1 – October 28, 2006 Grants	
\$2,000	J. Shapiro (Denison University) scholarship
\$1,000	L. McFadden (Univ of Findlay) scholarship
\$1,000	Katy Doyle (Ohio University) scholarship
\$1,000	Tracy Dill (Sinclair) scholarship
\$1,000	Kyle Webb (Sinclair) scholarship
\$500	D. Adams (Wright State) scholarship
\$500	S. Crisp (Olivet Nazarene) scholarship
\$500	Wes Baker (Mt Vernon Nazarene) schlrshp
\$190.41	Caring Place expenses
\$125	Xenia Youth Activity (Wee Bucs)
\$425	4H livestock purchase - Greene Co. Fair
\$2,000	First Frontier - annual contribution
\$99	Xenia Area Chamber - annual dues
\$1,000	Xenia Old Fashioned Days
\$250	Adult Recreation Center - Annual "Roast"
\$100	WGC Golf Course - Annual "Turkey Shoot"

- **Membership/Attendance** – Added new members Jeff Buchanan and Todd McManus but lost Bill Creed, Carl Myers and Greg Delaney. Now have 97 members. We all need to be on look out for quality new members.
- **What’s to come?** – Always *Rotary Reads*.
November: Can Goods Month- help restock the shelves of the Food Pantry
December: Ringing of the Salvation Army Bell
Christmas Auction December 12th
Christmas Party December 20
January: Two year implementation of Asst. Club Secretary Tom Harris and Asst. Treasurer Brian Liming which has been long time in coming to allow Dick Loveless have some time off.
February: *Clothes That Work* project again.
April: Pancake Day
- **Still in my Mind to Accomplish** - Club participation in Rotary Foundation/Xenia Rotary Foundation to be chaired by Eric Fogarity.
A county-wide Rotary project with Beaver Creek and Fairborn manning the Greene County Prosecutor’s Kids ID Booth at local events. More volunteering than money paid out.

Queen Barbara concluded saying that after Election she would be getting her life back! Thanks for your patience and your support.

Xenia Rotary October Board Meeting Highlights

- Attendance continues to be a priority for the Board. In the most recent Elevator, President Barb addressed this issue & encouraged member attendance. Going forward at each Board meeting Dick Loveless will give an attendance report. When a member is having an attendance problem someone from the board will contact the member's sponsor for assistance.
- The Board accepted the resignations of Bill Creed, Carl Myers and Greg Delaney.
- The Board is soliciting ideas from members for an International Project for the club to become involved in.

Suggestions from club members for an international project. It has been many years since the club has been involved in an International Project and according to the member survey completed in July the members are ready for the challenge. At our September 26 Rotary meeting Jim & Carolyn Usher presented information about *Heart To Honduras*. What other International projects should we look into? Brad Montgomery is spearheading this project so share your ideas with him at 372-7646 x 107.

This Veteran’s Day Remember:



It’s the Soldier

It is the soldier, not the reporter,
Who has given us the freedom of the press.

It is the soldier, not the poet,
Who has given us freedom of speech?

It is the soldier, not the campus organizer,
Who has given us the freedom to demonstrate?

It is the soldier
Who salutes the flag?
Who serves beneath the flag?
And whose coffin is draped by the flag
Who allows the protester to burn the flag?

WHERE TO MAKE UP ATTENDANCE

You can make up your attendance by attending a meeting of any Rotary club, either on the day of your absence, or on one of the 14 days preceding or following your date of absence. Meeting dates of some area Rotary Clubs are listed below. The secretary will furnish others on request.

See the District website for updates: www.rotary6670.com

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Springfield Casey's Rest 2005 Park Rd. Noon	Waynesville Der Dutchman Rest. 230 N. US Rt 42 7:30 AM	Fairborn Villa D' Giovanni 100 E. Dayton – Yellow Springs Rd. Noon	Centerville Yankee Trace Golf Course Club House 10000 Yankee St. Noon	Beavercreek Walnut Grove Country Club 5050 Linden Ave. Noon
Dayton Ponitz Center (Bldg 12) at Sinclair Community College 444 West First St. Noon	New Carlisle Sacred Heart Social Center 209 W Lake Ave Noon	Kettering Presidential Banquet Center 4548 Presidential Way 11:45 AM	Lebanon Golden Lamb 27 S Broadway Noon	Oakwood Dayton Country Club 555 Kramer Road 7:00 AM
Wilmington Noon Damon's1045 Eastside Dr. Noon	West Carrollton West Carrollton YMCA 900 S. Alex Rd 12:15 PM	Miamisburg Baum Opera House 15 South 1st St. Noon	New Lebanon American Legion 35 W Main St. 6:15 PM	Wilmington AM Wilmington Inn 909 Fife Ave. (Rt 73 & 22/3 east from center of downtown - upstairs) 7:00 AM
Huber Heights Wayne Boosters Club 5367 Fishburg Rd Noon	Northmont Samaritan North Health Center 9000 N Main St. Noon	Moraine Holiday Inn 2455 Dryden Road 7:00 AM	Trotwood Caffe Anticoli's 8268 N. Main St Noon	Germantown First Church of God 760 Farmersville Pike 1Mile North of Downtown Noon
Eaton Eaton Country Club100 Morton Rd Noon	Brookville Rob's Restaurant 705 Arlington Rd Noon	Tipp City Monroe Township Building 4 East Main St. (St. Rt. 571 In basement) Noon	Vandalia Cassel Hill Golf Club 201 Clubhouse Way Noon	Franklin- Springboro 1 st United Methodist Church Corner of Main & 3 rd Streets 12:05 PM

ABC's of Rotary

Definition of Rotary

How do you describe the organization called "Rotary"? There are so many characteristics of a Rotary club as well as the activities of a million Rotarians. There are the features of service, internationality, fellowship, classifications of each vocation, development of goodwill and world understanding, the emphasis of high ethical standards, concern for other people, and many more.

In 1976, the Rotary International Board of Directors was interested in creating a concise definition of the fundamental aspects of Rotary. They turned to the three men who were then serving on RI's Public Relations Committee and requested that a one-sentence definition of Rotary be prepared. After numerous drafts, the committee presented this definition, which has been used ever since in various Rotary publications:

"Rotary is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world."

Those 31 words are worth remembering when someone asks, "What is a Rotary club?"

The Official Rotary Flag

An official flag was formally adopted by Rotary International at the 1929 RI Convention in Dallas, Texas, USA. The Rotary flag consists of a white field with the official wheel emblem emblazoned in gold in the center of the field. The four depressed spaces on the rim of the Rotary wheel are colored royal blue. The words "Rotary" and "International" printed at the top and bottom depressions on the wheel rim are also gold. The shaft in the hub and the keyway of the wheel are white.

The first official Rotary flag reportedly was flown in Kansas City, Missouri, USA, in January 1915. In 1922, a small Rotary flag was carried over the South Pole by Admiral Richard Byrd, a member of the Rotary Club of Winchester, Virginia, USA. Four years later, the admiral carried a Rotary flag in his expedition to the North Pole.

Some Rotary clubs use the official Rotary flag as a banner at club meetings. In these instances, it is appropriate to print the words "Rotary Club" above the wheel symbol and the name of the city, state, or nation below the emblem.

The Rotary flag is always prominently displayed at the World Headquarters as well as at all conventions and official events of Rotary International.

For more see www.rotaryclubone.org/abc_index.htm

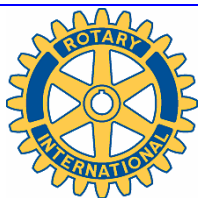
Weekly Assignments – Please Mark your Calendars

	November 7, 2006	December 5, 2006
Greeter	Kevin Sonnycalb	Pete Stephan
Invocation	Jeff Brock	Russ Remick
Music	Joe Mullins	John Meyer
Sgt. At Arms	Neil Fogarty	Don Anderson
Minutes	Gretchen Wagner	Jeff Buchanan
Program	Bill Creed	Brett Ellis
Personal Profile	Gloria Roth	Tony Sculimbrene
	November 14, 2006	December 12, 2006
Greeter	tba	Mike Stephans
Invocation	Cliff Johnson	Jeff Brock
Music	Joe Mullins	John Meyer
Sgt. At Arms	Neil Fogarty	Christmas Auction
Minutes	Judy Baker	Christmas Auction
Program	tba	Christmas Auction
Personal Profile	Ron Roth	Christmas Auction
	November 21, 2006	December 19, 2006
Greeter	Steve Stanek	Tom Swigart
Invocation	Jim Kennedy	Cliff Johnson
Music	Joe Mullins	John Meyer
Sgt. At Arms	Neil Fogarty	Bart Sheridan
Minutes	Bill Flaute	Gregg Hebrank
Program	Steve Duellley	Jon Ellis
Personal Profile	Craig Saunders	Kim Sease
	November 28, 2006	December 26, 2006
Greeter	Brian Stephan	No Meeting
Invocation	Joe Mullins	No Meeting
Music	Terry Hall	No Meeting
Sgt. At Arms	Neil Fogarty	No Meeting
Minutes	Tony Sculimbrene	No Meeting
Program	Craig Eicher	No Meeting
Personal Profile	Ron Lewis	No Meeting

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