



THE LISTENER



Publication of the Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River

MAY 2012

Calendar of events

Monday, May 7

Program: Deb Bernard – Rachel's Challenge.

Tuesday, May 8

Board Meeting, 7:30 a.m., First Federal of Lakewood.

Friday, May 11

Sunrise Club Service Auction for American Youth Foundation.

Monday, May 14

Program: TBD. (Club Foundation Scholarships will be awarded in June.)

Monday, May 21

Program: Bayardo Olivier Rojas – Exchange Student Farewell.

Monday, May 28

No Meeting – Memorial Day.

Member birthdays for May

3 – Bill Baker, 23 – George Garden, 25 – Cal Ratcliff, 28 – David Zupan. A birthday donation to the club foundation or Rotary International entitles the donor to a free lunch.



This is one of the two benches purchased by the club that will be placed at Beck Center later this year. The benches, built of pressure-treated lumber, will be painted and decorated by student artists at Lakewood High School, and will include the Rotary emblem. A plaque on the benches will acknowledge they were donated by our club. Thanks to Pam Gallagher-Vine for her leadership on this project.

Sunrise at Sunset event is Friday night

“Sunrise at Sunset,” the Sunrise Club’s annual fund-raiser, is this Friday, May 11, at 6:00 p.m. at Umerley Center.

Many Noon Club members have attended and supported the auction over the last five years. Auction items donated by our members have included dinner and sail (Chuck Gustafson), the boat ride (Matt Daugherty), Indians loge and tickets (Pete Shimrak), gift certificate for Pearl of the Orient (George Hwang), and a painting (Brian King).

The auction is the major fund-raiser for the Sunrise Club. Most of the club’s community service activities are “hands on” and the club uses the funds it raises to support its Rotary exchange students, matching up to \$50 of each member’s “Every Rotarian Every Year” donation, and up to \$25 of each member’s PolioPlus donation.

The club donates one ShelterBox each year and annually provides half the cost of sending over 60 shoe boxes to Nicaragua and student dictionaries to an impoverished area in Kentucky.

But more than that, the auction provides scholarships to the American Youth Foundation leadership camp Miniwanca. On Friday night, students will actually auction their services for home and yard work.

There will also be great items like picnics, boating, a barbecue and pool party, tickets to sporting events, gift certificates and unique services and gift items up for silent and live auction.

There is still time to be a sponsor, donate an item for the auction, or purchase tickets for the event. Tickets are just \$15 including admission and dinner.

Who are those invocators?

You could be one!

Here’s an easy way to contribute to our weekly club meetings: join the list of about a dozen people who take turns offering an invocation to open our meetings.

You can offer a prayer “off-the-cuff,” or a poem or prayer or devotional moment that you came across recently. And since we have about a dozen people who take turns doing this, you’ll be scheduled only about once every three months.

If you want to learn more about it – or you want to volunteer for the next six-month period – contact Jon Fancher (440-333-4888 or jfancher@riverpres.org).

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Meetings & Fellowship

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Program Matt Daugherty, Tom Turner, Pete Shimrak
Sergeant-At-Arms John Mielke
Social Pam Gallagher

District and International

District Activities Jim Lechko
International Foundation Jim Harris

NEARBY MAKE UP OPPORTUNITIES

Avon/Avon Lake, Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. Towne Center
Community Campus, 200 Community Drive, Avon Lake.

Cleveland, Downtown, Thursday, Noon. Windows on the
River in the Powerhouse, West Bank of Flats.

Lakewood/Rocky River Sunrise, Wednesday, 7:15 a.m.
Umerley Hall, Rocky River.

Middleburg Heights/Brookpark, Thursday, 7:30 a.m. Front
Row Grill, 15119 Snow Road, Middleburg Heights.

North Ridgeville, Friday, Noon, North Ridgeville Senior
Center, 7327 Avon Belden Road, behind City Hall.

Westlake/Bay, Thursday, Noon. Holiday Inn Westlake, 1100
Crocker Road, second floor conference room.

West Shore (formerly Fairview/West Park/North Olmsted),
Tuesday, Noon. 100th Bomb Group, 20920 Brookpark
Road near airport.

On-line at www.rotaryclubone.org

ShelterBox is Rotary's first project partner

ShelterBox, a grassroots disaster relief organization, is Rotary's first project partner. One of Rotary's four partner categories, project partner status is available to organizations started or managed by Rotarians and that offer service opportunities to Rotarians.

ShelterBox provides emergency shelter and lifesaving supplies to families affected by disasters at the time when they need it most. Founded in 2000 by Rotarian Tom Henderson, ShelterBox has assisted well over one million people by responding to almost 200 natural or manmade disasters in over 75 different countries.

The announcement was made by John P. Hewko, general secretary, Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.

Additionally, ShelterBox holds significant stocks of emergency shelter and humanitarian aid supplies in numerous pre-position locations around the world. ShelterBox can rapidly deploy response teams and humanitarian aid anywhere worldwide to provide shelter, warmth and dignity to families left homeless by natural or man-made disasters (subject to need).

To support this partnership, Rotary will share information about ShelterBox disaster relief efforts with districts and clubs during the 2012-13 Rotary year.

Rotarians are reminded that the ShelterBox partnership does not take away from Rotary's efforts and goal to eradicate Polio but only strengthens our efforts of diversity in our mission of Service Above Self and providing much needed support to those around the world.

For further information how clubs and other organizations can support this effort, contact USA ShelterBox board member and PDG Jack A. Young (440-759-4000) or Jack1villa@aol.com.

April membership anniversaries

Don McQuilkin (34 years), Jay Rounds (two years), Jean Rounds (two years), and Maryann Hanson (one year).
Thanks for your years of service to our club!

Club, Foundation directors chosen

Recently elected to the club's Board of Directors for 2012-2015 were Phil Ardussi, Charles Eversole and Greg Thompson.

Elected to the Foundation Board of Trustees for 2012-2017 were Lynn Donaldson, Jim Lechko and Don McQuilkin. Jon Fancher will complete Ann Zabkar's term that ends in June 2013 after his term ends in June 2012.

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