



## Louisville Rotary Meetings 2018



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## Louisville Rotary Club

### Meeting minutes

October 3, 2018

President Wendy Harlen presided over the business meeting that met in the Paradise Church Lounge due to the remodeling project in the Fellowship Hall. Rev. Dr. David Anderson gave the prayer and Harlen led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Rotary Four-Way Test. Fifteen members and one guest were present. Celine Hallier was the guest.

#### Happy Dollars

Cynthia Kerchner reminded Rotarians that Saturday was the last Farmer's Market of the season, and there was a hitch in the plans. Mill Street between Gorgas and Main is closed due to construction on the old bowling alley. The downtown section of East Main is due to be paved Saturday, so the plan is to use the Green Space opposite the School Board offices.

#### Club Business

- \* Glenn Heiler thanked those who worked the Constitution Parade and asked that the club give the farmer who drove his tractor with the club banner a \$25 gift card. A motion was made and it passed unanimously.
- \* Bob Hallier announced the plans for a Blue Star Memorial on the grounds of the veteran's horse farm were cancelled. Blue Star Memorials must be placed on community property and open to anyone anytime. The horse farm is privately owned.
- \* Wendy said grant applications are due October 15 and there are five so far.
- \* It was decided to take a bottle of wine, develop a gift basket and sell raffle tickets to be sold during the pancake breakfast. Proceeds go to Rotary International for the Polio Plus campaign. Could be that our club would get a Paul Harris Fellowship to award to a hard-working Louisville Rotarian for efforts in the fundraiser.
- \* Don Israel announced there were two advertising spots at \$50 each left on the pancake breakfast tablemats. Immediately, Bob Hallier took one for the library. Jared Shive is ordering 400 tickets. Tammie Kumerly said St. Joseph's would provide pancake mix, sausage and syrup.
- \* Wendy discussed our next social. What suggestions from the group? She suggested a lights-on tour of the Factory of Terror.
- \* It was discussed to post the flags for Veteran's Day several days earlier so the Red, White & Blue would be flying during the Election Day, Nov. 6. Due to the necessity to notify all the route drivers, it appears impractical this year, but the club decided to post 50 flags in the downtown Green Space.
- \* In other flag business, Wendy asked that each person who is doing the flag posting to check the ground pipe and if it needs replaced, make a note of the address and the pipe will be replaced. Jim Edwards announced that this summer we had 1,135 paid flags. Our best year reached a total of 1,225.

#### Coming Events

- October 6<sup>th</sup>. ♦ The last Farmers Market.
- October 10<sup>th</sup>. ♦ Don Matthews, motivation speaker.
- October 17<sup>th</sup>. ♦ Larry Collins, Louisville City Manager.
- October 24<sup>th</sup>. ♦ The library's Discovery Center tour.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50.  
Submitted by Allen Gress, Secretary

# Louisville Rotary Club

## Meeting minutes

October 10, 2018

President Wendy Harlan had a job conflict so Past President Jennifer Anderson took the club reins for the meeting. Eva Roshong gave the prayer and Jennifer led the recitation of the Rotary 4-Way Test and the Pledge of Allegiance. Twenty-two members and seven guests were in attendance. Guests included Jacob Riley, Amy Simpkins, Jessica Cupo, Darla Walters, Donald Matthews plus former Rotarians Tina Horn and Kathy Fausnight.

### Happy Dollars

- n Eva gave thanks to St. Joseph's Care Center for sponsoring the food for the Pancake Breakfast.
- n Bob Hallier was thankful for the first monetary contribution for the Warm Coats project.
- n Ron Derry thanked Steve Coon for attending the Historical Society's presentation last Tuesday of the history of Canton's Onesto Hotel.
- n Cynthia Kerchner thanked everyone who made the last Farmers' Market of the season successful.
- n Mike Yeagley was thankful that he and his wife survived unhurt from a bad traffic accident.

### The Program

Donald Matthews, the guest speaker, spoke about his career as a motivational speaker. He is also the newly hired Executive Direction of the Louisville Chamber of Commerce. His introduction "How to be the Hero of Your Personal Life Story" caught the audience. "My journey is your journey," he added. "The same process I used is the same processes used by others - no voodoo, no magic. During life we play different rolls." Matthews built his message around 10 principles with Desire the first. "Everything starts with desire," he said. "We play the role of an orphan or a seeker which encourages us to dream." Principle 2 is wisdom. "Find a mentor or guide which leads to patience." Principle there is understanding, which opens us to learning and discovery. Principle 4 is Mercy, which is acceptance and tolerance and leads one to forgiveness and humility. Principle 5 is Strength. "Stand your ground," Matthews emphasizes. Principle 6 is Beauty. "Seek beauty around you which leads to integrity." Principle 7 is Success. "Success means to take responsibility. This means one becomes emotionally carefree. Principle 8 is honor which opens one to peace. Principle 9 is creativity, which leads to satisfaction. Principle 10 is Fulfillment. Donald Matthews can be reached at 330-224-0090 or by email at [donaldmatthews123@yahoo.com](mailto:donaldmatthews123@yahoo.com) .

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00.

Submitted by Allen Gress, Secretary

Don Mathews, Director of Louisville Chamber of Commerce



Louisville Rotary Club  
Meeting minutes

October 10, 2018

President Wendy Harlan presided over the meeting. Ken Willet gave the prayer and Wendy led the recitation of the Rotary 4-Way Test and the Pledge of Allegiance. There was no happy song. Twenty members and seven guests were in attendance.

There were five Happy Dollars. Wendy announced there were 10 grant requests and the deadline for applications has passed. Ron Derry is to attend a Lite Up Louisville meeting and a request to support the annual event will be discussed at the next board meeting.

The accounting of the today's program is in the format of a news article due to its informative nature and information I think is important for the community. I submitted the 3-column story to the *Herald*, but have no control over its use. Below is our account for the weekly minutes.

*Secretary's note:* My computer was hacked a week or so ago. I can send emails but I cannot receive them, so if anyone tried to reach me this week, I have not been able to read your message. Please call me at 330-453-2938. I hope to have this situation back to normal soon.

### Coming Events

Oct. 24 ♦ Discovery Center tour.

Nov. 7 & 8 ♦ Post flags.

Nov. 10 ♦ Pancake Breakfast at the middle school.

## City Manager Larry Collins vows Rotarians

### ♦ An entertainment district may be in the works

By Allen Gress  
Rotary Secretary

Louisville City Manager Larry Collins presented the program Wed., Oct. 17 for the Rotary Club's weekly meeting held at Paradise Church.

Before 27 members and guests, Collins flashed his humor, opening with a quip about bringing Police Chief Turowski along for protection. But the chief was not needed as the audience quickly warmed to a 30-minute non-stop message as Collins ♦ shared his vision for leading Louisville into the future.

Moving around the front with abounding enthusiasm, he held up his hands in surrender at the mention of the conditions of the city's railroad crossings and sewer fees. ♦ Not today, ♦ he said. ♦ Not today. But let me share my observations from my two months here. ♦ The City Manager said his observations came from journeying around town, with talks with civic leaders, township officials, the city's staff and residents.

♦ First, I found Louisville to be a close-knit community with a lot of pride, ♦ he said. ♦ And I found many leaders who care deeply about the future of Louisville. ♦

On the downside, he said, ♦ There is a tendency for residents to look backward instead of forward. ♦

Collins pointed out the community has great schools, low crime, and a perfect location with a low cost of living. He also said residents should be pleased that there is a grocery in the downtown area. He pointed out there are cities, including Dayton where he grew up, that do not have a grocery in the heart of the city and those residents have to go to the suburbs to shop for food. ♦ But we need a beautiful town center. ♦

Collins went on to say that Louisville is no longer a bedroom community and that the city and the township need each other to survive. ♦ The city is ripe for moving forward, ♦ he continued, ♦ but we need a plan. ♦

Among his ideas is to beautify downtown and to create upstairs living space above the stores. He even went so far as to say that's where he would live if Steve Coon completes his talked-about apartments over the NAPA store.

Changing some zoning areas will help particularly along the 62-44 interchange, which is now in the township. Forming JEDD joint agreements between the city and the township might overcome that obstacle, according to the City Manager.

Collins discussed ♦ The Encino Effect ♦, what is going to happen now that the Chesapeake assets have been purchased by Encino, a Houston Oil Company. Encino plans to hire 120 new employees for its Houston office, according to Collins, who said he was going to try and get some of those new hires transferred to the Louisville office. Workers don't always follow the job market, he said. ♦ Millennials like certain features in their community. ♦ Collins cited alternate forms of transportation, good schools, low crime and entertainment. ♦ So there is pressure on us to repurpose ourselves, ♦ he went on to say while citing the Brookside Farm property as a possible entertainment district.

The City Manager had a list of possible restaurants that are not found in Alliance or Canton.

Collins went over the 1 o'clock time limit to close, but no one got up to leave. He stayed around after the meeting was adjourned to answer questions.

Nay a negative comment was heard from the audience as they filed out returning to their jobs or home; most left smiling.



Louisville Rotary Club  
Meeting minutes

October 24, 2018

President Wendy Harlen chaired the meeting that convened in the Louisville Library Discover Center (the old Post Office building on E. Main St.) The main lobby of the building, once used by residents for conducting postal business, is now used as a conference room with a table and chairs accommodating 24 persons. A box lunch from Uptown Joe's fueled the lunch hunger of 25 Rotarians and one guest who attended the meeting. Rex Edwards was the guest encouraged by his brother Jim. After the Pledge of Allegiance and the Rotary 4-Way Test, Mark Sigler led the singing of *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*. There was no prayer.

### Happy Dollars

n Denny Valentine announced his brother Jerry, LHS Class of '55, recently had open-heart surgery and is doing well.  
 n Jim Edwards thanked City Manager Larry Collins for the repair of the Clock-on-the-Square.  
 n Bob Hallier said the Warm Coats program, which he chairs, has the names of 99 needy kids.  
 n Wendy Harlen announced World Polio Week activities can be watched with live streaming on Rotary International's website.

Please note the change in my email address. [agress@neo.rr.com](mailto:agress@neo.rr.com) If you emailed me over the past 10 days, I probably did not get it.  
 AG

### The Program

Library Board President Bob Hallier thanked the members for their support and Library Director Jason Buydos gave a brief history of the Discovery Center and the patrons it is designed for.

First, the building has been renovated and is ADA compatible. Two new rest rooms with widened doorways have been constructed. There is an entrance ramp with new doors located off the west parking lot. Improvements have been made including a new roof and HVAC systems. There are bright colors on the walls. The building, constructed as a WPA project during the Great Depression, is now sound.

Next. The sensory space is designed for persons with various stages in the autism spectrum. It's a calming place; It's our obligation to serve all persons in the community, Buydos said. There is no other place like it in the United States.

Since opening August 8 over 4,000 persons have visited the Discovery Center, he said. It's a well-spring for other libraries around the county. According to Buydo, there has been interest from Washington and the local library may be in line for national recognition. (Keep your fingers crossed) Louisville is on the cutting edge (of libraries), he added. Colleges have brought students to visit who are studying to be teachers. County DD (Developmental Disabilities) programs now use our facility.

The Discovery Center is helpful for adults, too, because state education programs for autism-related disabilities are halted when the student graduates. They are cut off!, Buydos said. And there are a lot of adults that need this program. The building, originally purchased from the government by the Bishop and Biery families, was donated to the Louisville School System who used it for about 20 years. When the old middle school was torn down, the library and school district exchanged properties. The school district received the old Knights of Columbus lodge located on the property facing South Chapel that borders the middle school property to the south; the library took possession of the area now known as The Green Space and the old Post Office Building. The plan is for the library to build a new library building uptown and attach the Post Office building. That plan is still cooking, waiting for necessary funding.

The Discovery Center renovation and equipment cost was \$67,000, with \$50,000 coming from a state grant. The remainder of the building renovation was slightly less than \$50,000 paid from the library's building fund.

The Discovery Center is open various hours and it is recommended patrons call for information and reservations. Deb Long is the new director of the Discovery Center and can be reached at 330-875-1696.

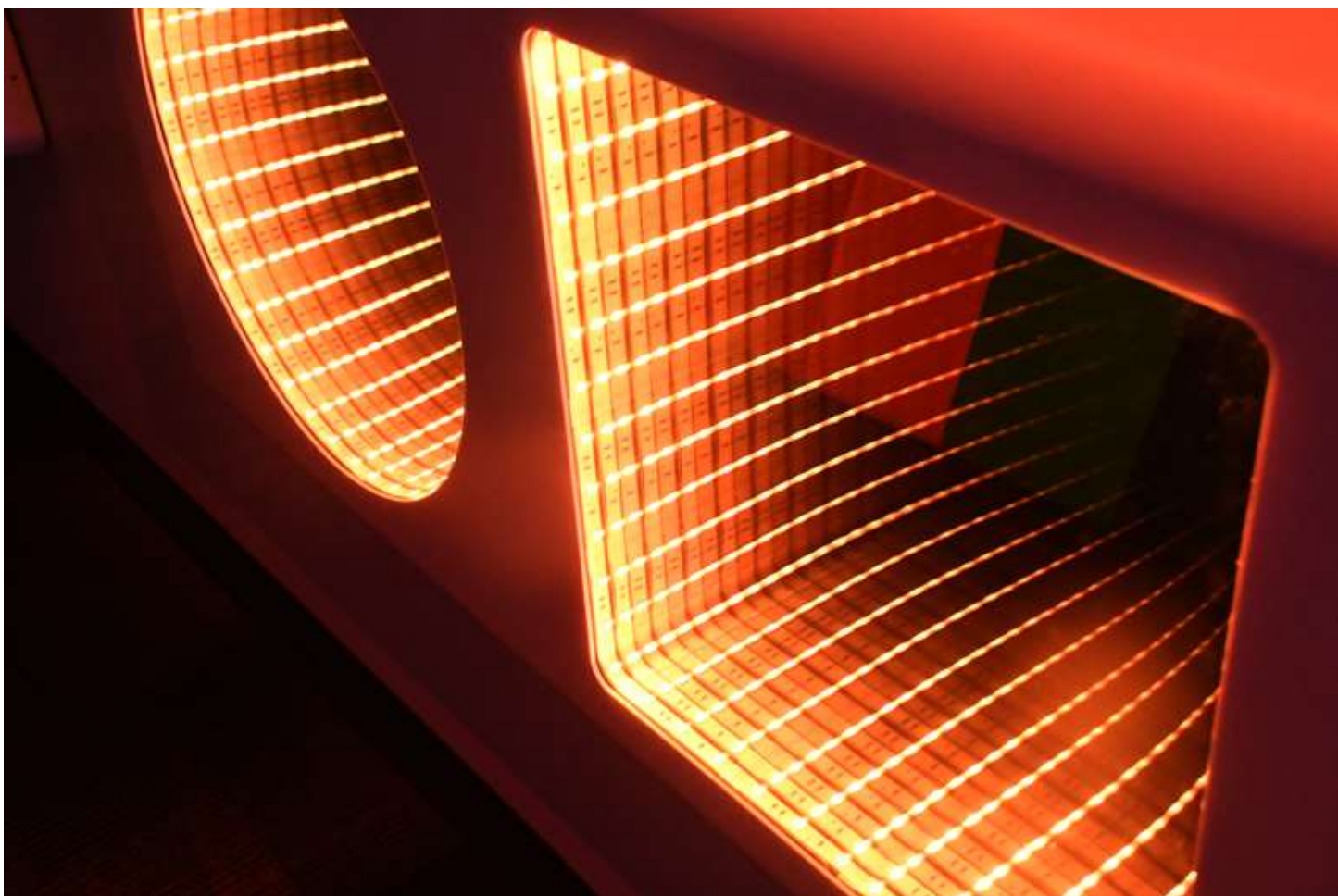
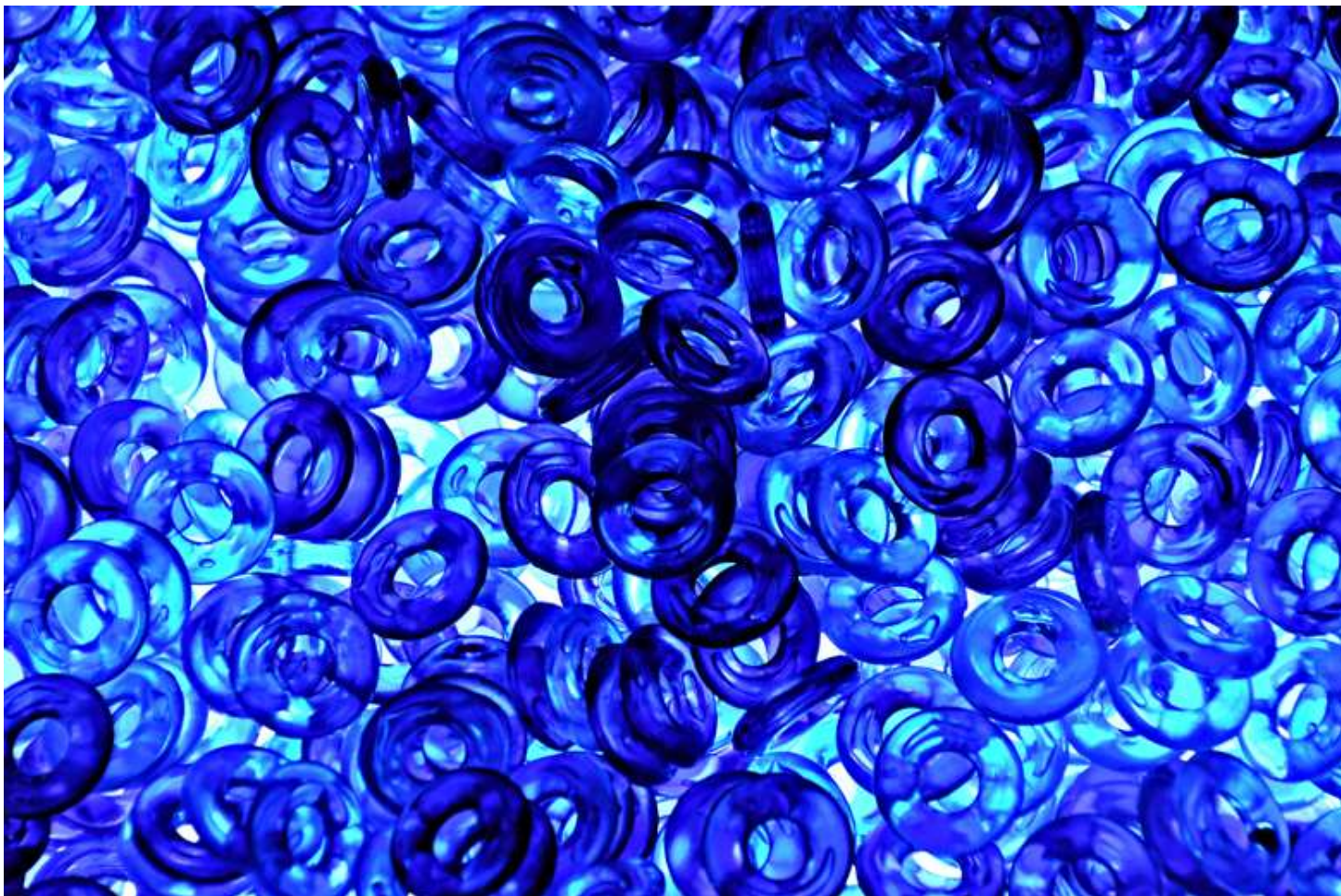
### Coming Events

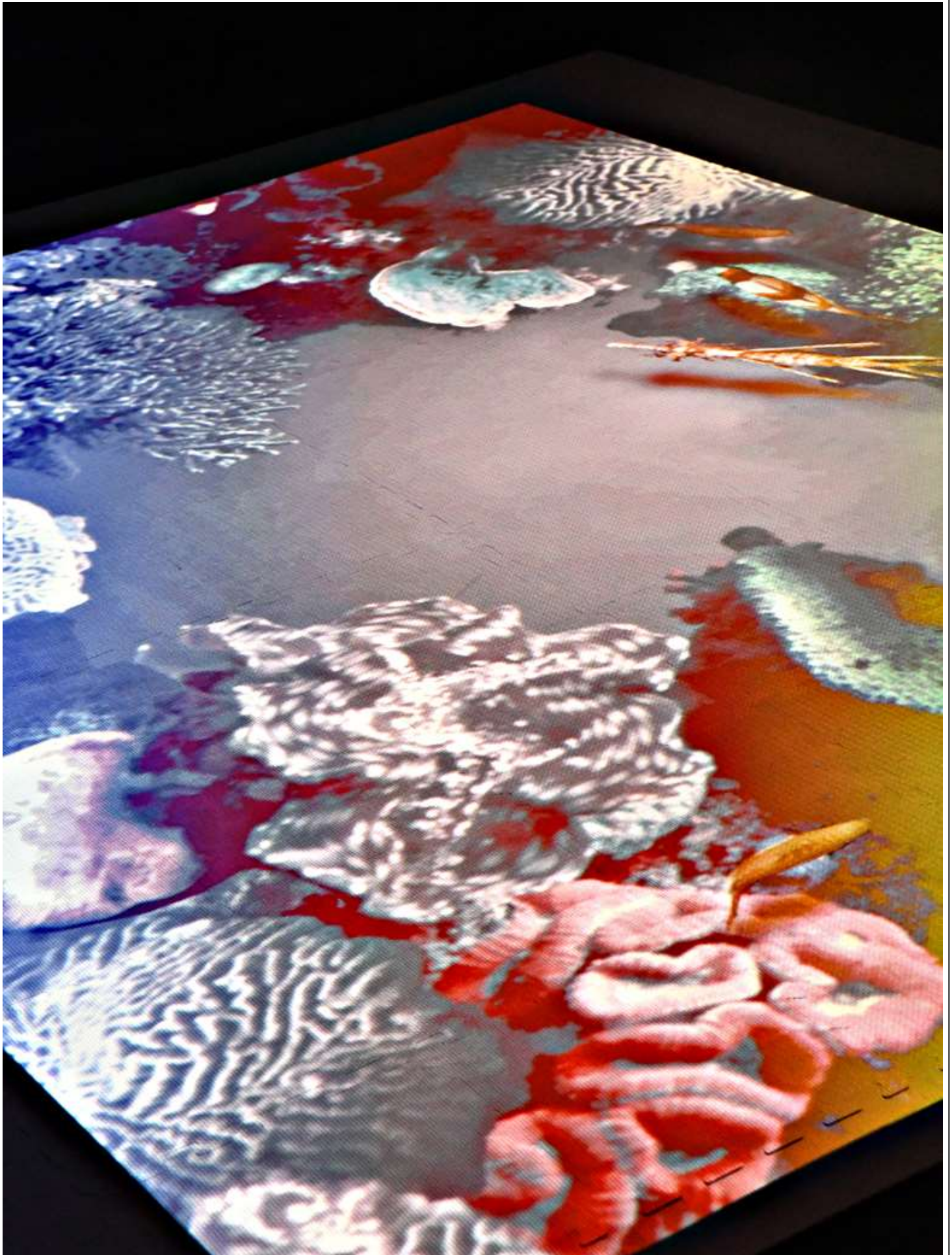
Oct. 31 ♦ Field trip at Petitti's Greenhouse on Columbus Road. 6 pm.  
 Nov. 6 ♦ Board meeting at Uptown Joe's ♦ 8 a.m.  
 Nov. 7 ♦ Luncheon Business meeting.

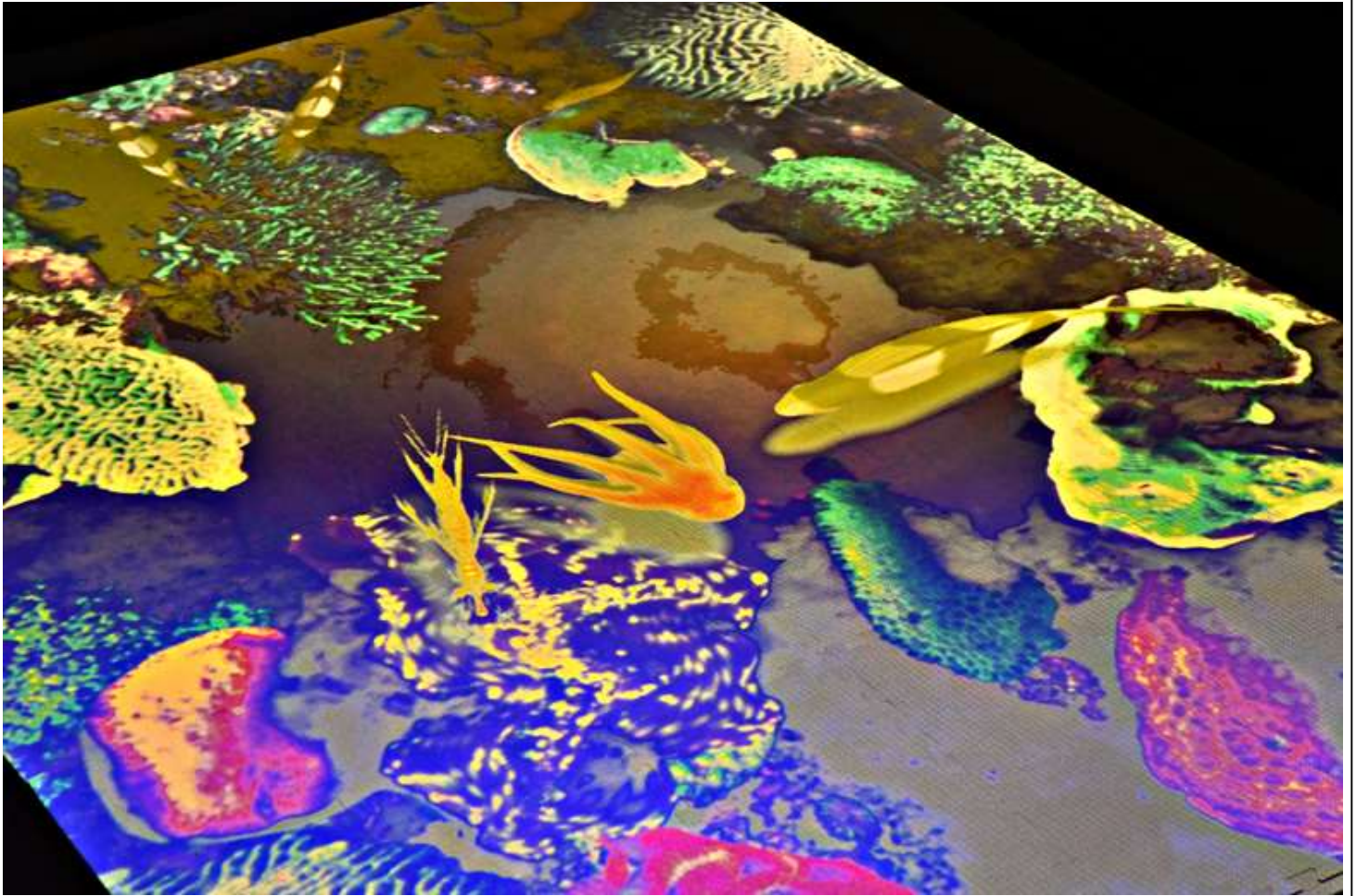
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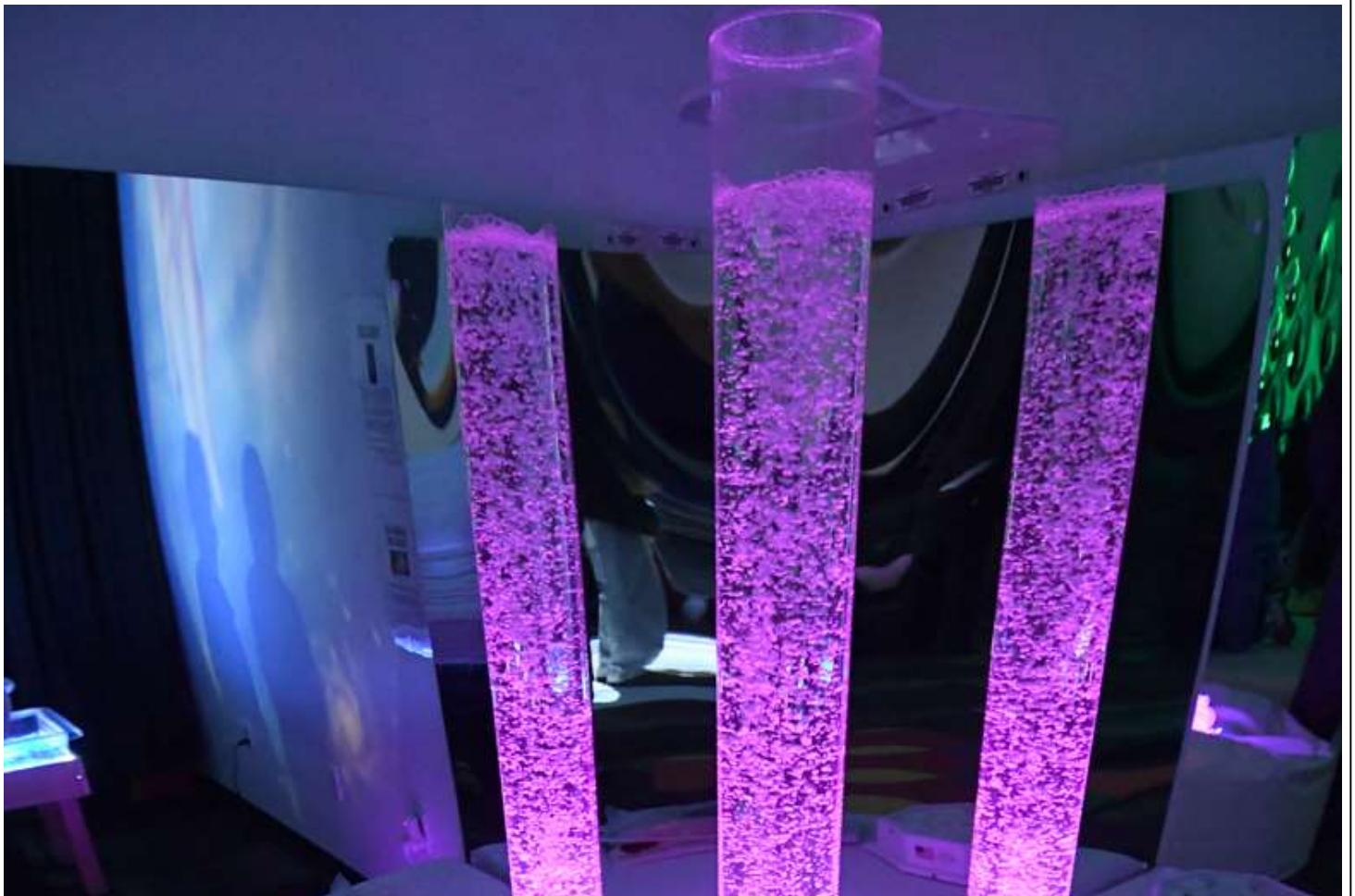














## Louisville Rotary Club

### Meeting minutes

October 31, 2018

In the true Halloween spirit, the October 31 meeting was held in a green house ♦ Cindy Petitti ♦s♦ business to be exact. Cindy provided pumpkins for carving for those who are still children at heart. Fourteen Rotarians were around, but only four showed off their creativity with a knife. Perhaps, with no official decision, Ken Smith ♦s jack-o-lantern took first place in the traditional category with triangular eyes and a big triangle nose over a smug mouth. But for creativity, Wendy ♦s pumpkin with a Halloween cat cut into the orange surface was extraordinary. Both would have made the grade with Louisville Elementary School children. Fortunately, there were no sliced fingers.

Following the pumpkin cutting, the crew adjourned to Bud ♦s Corner for refreshment and refueling for the rest of the week. Bill Wood thought it only proper to show our exchange student Sigrid Skaal the informal side of Rotary. The meeting was adjourned about 8:30 as it was approaching bedtime for some of the older Rotarians.

No business was conducted.

For those who have been following my challenges with my iMac, my printer is now not speaking to its master and refuses to spit out papers when requested.

## Coming Events

Nov. 6 ♦ Board meeting at Uptown Joe ♦ 8 a.m.

Nov. 7 ♦ Luncheon Business meeting.

Submitted by Allen Gress, Secretary

# Louisville Rotary Club

## Meeting minutes

November 14, 2018

President Wendy Harlan chaired the meeting with 23 members and three guests present. Following the usual ritual, Songmeister Mark Sigler led the singing of the *Grand Old Flag* in honor of the last Rotary flag posting for the year 2018. Though to be honest, some Rotarians are not overly excited about singing, but the antics of Sigler, leading the group, always leaves the members feeling good. *On four . . . two, three*

### Happy Dollars

n It was reported that our last week's pancake breakfast went well, but the actual dollar amount earned will be reported next week. St. Joseph's Care Center was so pleased they said they would provide the food for the breakfast again next year.

n Glenn Heiller thanked everyone for their work on the flag posting.

n Ron Derry said inspections of the new Historical building were to be completed this week so that full use of the building could begin soon.

n Jen Anderson reminded us that the Snow Flake Auction was now set and tickets are available, so mark your calendars.

n Wendy reminded everyone the trail clean up is Saturday morning. Meet at Greg Anderson's house at 9.

n Jim Edwards was so excited to tell the world the Browns won their game last Sunday.

*Some members have been unable to open the email attachment with these minutes. If you are having such a problem, call or email me and I will send them via email. AG*

### The Program

Garret Conley and Adam Longacre, principles in the Unhitched Brewing Company, presented the program. Garret will be the brew master and is a certified butcher, while Longacre is the spokesperson for the project currently in the construction phase of the old Bowling Alley building.

Longacre, married into the Crislip family, went to Muskingum University and said he forever wanted to be in a brewery business. Both men met while working at a Chicago brew pub. He currently owns a software consulting business with an office in downtown Louisville.

The building is undergoing major renovation and the group is currently completing the county permit process. ♦ Our goal is to be up and operating by June or July, ♦ he said. One of the themes of their business will be the use of local produce and meats. ♦ Farm to table, ♦ he commented, ♦ even local wines. ♦ The restaurant will seat 100 hungry customers and Longacre stressed, ♦ food is just as important as brewing. ♦

♦ Good food turns heads . . . we want to be a destination for people to come ♦ we want to be a showcase for Louisville, ♦ he continued. ♦ We plan six or eight different brews, some low alcoholic in the 4 to 6% range and a few higher.

They have their own pizza oven and access to Biery Cheese. We ♦ will have an outdoor area, he said. ♦ We think that our brewery-restaurant business will be a key to further downtown development. ♦ ArtsinStark artists will do a mural along the Mill Street wall.

Parking for between 60 and 80 cars will be available in the municipal lot directly behind the building and there are 11 streets spots. There will be entrances from both the east side and the rear of the building. ♦ Customers will be able to watch the eight-foot high brewing tanks through a glass wall separating the working area from the eating area, ♦ he said.

♦ We want a family atmosphere. ♦

Longacre expects to employ 20 people when the operations are in full swing. There is a Phase II, but that is still in the talking stages. He did say that an outdoor community project such as A Taste of Louisville or an Oktoberfest is a possibility.

♦ People travel for beer, ♦ Longacre said. ♦ About 70% of those frequenting the Minerva brew pub are not from Minerva. You have to have good service and a great product. ♦

### Upcoming Events

Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> ♦ Trail clean-up

Nov. 21 ♦ No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving

- Nov. 28 ♦ Evening social TBA
- Dec. 2 ♦ Light Up Louisville
- Dec. ♦ Board Meeting 8 a.m.
- Dec. 5 ♦ Business Meeting
- Dec. 14 ♦ Tentative Christmas Party

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00.  
Submitted by Allen Gress, Secretary

#### Garret Conley and Adam Longacre



Nov 21, 2018 No Meeting Thanksgiving

Nov 28, No Meeting Attend Tree lighting in lieu.

Dec 5, Business meeting - No minutes taken

Social meeting at AHH Galery on Fri, Dec. 14

## Louisville Rotary Club

### Meeting minutes

#### December 19, 2018

President Wendy Harlen chaired the meeting held in the Fellowship Hall of Paradise Church with 12 members and 4 guests present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, opening prayer, a recitation of the 4-Way Test, Songmeister Mark Sigler led the singing of *Silent Night*. It was an unusual touching moment, and at the close of the song Mark wished everyone a merry Christmas.

Guests included Rene Powell from the East Canton Rotary Club, Siggie, our exchange student, and Daniel Rich and Elena Elimer, two LHS seniors presenting the day♦s program.

**The President's agenda:**

Wendy passed out the blue Rotary pull-overs for those who ordered them. She also made a plea for program ideas.

Al Gress informed the Rotarians that the January program for the Louisville-Nimishillen Township Historical Society, Tuesday, January 8, 2019 is *A History of the Louisville Rotary Club* and all are invited. Yours truly is the presenter. Wendy said the usual Wednesday luncheon meeting would be cancelled and the Historical Society meeting would take its place. Al is expecting a packed house at the AHH Gallery and recommends Rotarians arrive early to find a seat around the expected television cameras.

Ms. Powell was introduced and discussed East Canton's chili cook-off fundraiser set for Friday evening, February 1. Along with other Rotary clubs in the area, we are invited to participate with a winner chosen and a prize to be presented. Dave Yeagley was nominated to cook his famous chili recipe.

**The Program**

The young man and woman from the high school were introduced. They were selected to attend the prestigious Pittsburgh World Affairs Conference along with about 300 other young people from the Ohio/Pennsylvania/West Virginia area held November 30. Bill Wood drove them over and back.

The theme for the conference was *Space Ethics*. For example: who can remove things from the moon? Space trash and what to do about. What about childbirth and citizenship rights for persons born on the moon or in outer space? Do we want weapons allowed on the moon or Mars? If there is a colony established on Mars, should the inhabitants be armed?

There was a Mars simulation for the students that required groups to put together a constitution for a Martian colony.

Both of the students were enthusiastic about their experience and thanked the Rotary for sending them. They met new friends and visited the Hines History Center which they found interesting.

Following questions from the Rotarians, Daniel said he would look forward to circulating the Earth from outer space. They both agreed that could happen by the turn of the century.

The meeting was adjourned at 12::55.

Submitted by Allen Gress, Secretary



