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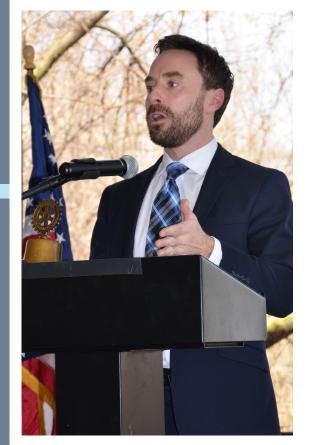
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**Jessica Grisez** introduced the speaker, **Jeff Reed**, Director of Government and Industry Relations for Honda in Ohio and Indiana. Jeff is a communications professional with 16 years' experience working with senior executives, business leaders, and legislators in promoting organizational goals and policies. He has a background in media relations, governmental affairs, community relations, social media, and team leadership. Jeff is a graduate of Ohio University.

Jeff talked about Honda's vision for the future, as exemplified by two new electric vehicles, the Saloon and the Space-Hub. Honda has a pledge to achieve carbon neutrality and zero traffic collision fatalities by 2050. Jeff discussed how Honda's commitment to Ohio and the US began with its announcement in 1977 of the plan to build its plant in Marysville. Now, in addition to that plant in Marysville, there is an engine plant in Anna/ Shelby County, an auto plant in East Liberty, a transmission factory in Logan County and a performance manufacturing center in Marysville devoted to researching, developing and testing future vehicles.

Jeff described other plants around the US, including those making ATVs and sideby-sides, generators, boat motors and jet engines. There is also a network of dealers employing more than 150,000 people.

Jeff discussed how Honda's safety goal is to be achieved: through new technology, such as redesigned airbags, and driver education.

Jeff referred to the "second founding" of Honda, including significant investments to renovate existing plants, and to build, in partnership with LG Energy, a new battery plant in Fayette County, Ohio. There is also a partnership with The Ohio State University on its Battery Cell Research and Demonstration Center.

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#### GREETERS

#### <mark>March 19</mark> Brent Jackson Barri Jones

Barri Jones March 26

Tim Kellogg Matt Kirby

April 2 Don Leach Kelly Marlow

#### **REGISTRATION DESK**

March 19 Jim Winfree Dave Shelby

March 26 John Cleland

<mark>April 2</mark> Don Leach Brian Bainbridge

#### CALENDAR

March 19 - Scioto CC/Zoom Barry McGraw, Founder and Chief Laboratory Officer – Ohio Soy Bean Council Host: Molly Fontana

#### March 26 - Scioto CC/Zoom

Mallory DeTota, Lily Abrams, Best Buddies of Central Ohio Host: John Krauss

April 2 - Scioto CC/Zoom Lori Wengerd, SCORE Host: Debbie Johnson

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Submit your volunteer opportunity to herb@herbgillen.com for inclusion in the Rotaryview Newsletter.

#### SOCIAL EVENTS

Please submit your social event reminder to herb@herbgillen.com for inclusion in the Rotaryview Newsletter.

**OUR NEXT MEETING** 

MARCH 19TH Scioto Country Club/Zoom



### **THE MEETING**



**Andy Livingston** opened the meeting, which was held in person at the Boathouse and also via Zoom.

Joe Valentino provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

**Scott Whitlock** of the Columbus Rotary Club was a visiting Rotarian. There were no guests.

## **NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**





**John Krauss** provided a reminder of the Club's annual fundraiser, to be held on the evening of May 14, at the Amelita Mirolo Barn.

**Jessica Grisez** encouraged participation in a volunteer opportunity with Tri-Village Packers, on March 17 from 2-4 pm at the UA Senior Center, to pack snack bags for food insecure children to use over their spring break holiday. Contact Jessica to register or use the QR code on the handout provided at the meeting.

Jessica also announced the April 2 Fostering a Conversation program, at 6 pm at the UA High School Theater, featuring **Dr. Laurie Santos**, a psychology professor at Yale, speaking on what makes humans happy.

Jessica also noted that the UA Community Foundation's annual Heart of UA event will take place on the evening of Sunday May 19 at Scioto Country Club. This year's honoree is **Kip Greenhill**.

**Andy Livingston** announced the following grants that were approved by the Club's board: \$2,000 to Homes for Families for their Mother's Day Bundle of Joy program, and \$3,000 to Habitat for Humanity to build a playhouse.

**Chip Knoop** introduced new member **Jim Manning**, and **Herb Gillen** introduced new member **Alan Thompson**.



### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

We're still seeking Tri Village Packers volunteer slots for March 17, 2-4p. We reserved this opportunity specifically for our UA Rotary. Thanks to Interactors for including 7-10 members. We seek additional UA Rotary members. **Sign up here**.

Additionally, Friends of UA Parks is cleaning up at Miller Park this weekend, March 16. No registration required. **Learn more**.

## **SORTING OUT WHERE TO CONTRIBUTE**

Where do your contributions go? There are three main organizations where we as Upper Arlington Rotarians direct our Rotary giving. Sometimes it can be confusing, so here is something to hopefully help keep things straight.

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Rotary International Foundation	\$125 Club, Paul Harris and Polio Plus	244 Daniel Burnham Sq. Columbus, OH 43215	Debbie Johnson	debbiejohnson33@gmail.com

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