



SETH CONLEY

HEALING KIDS WORLDWIDE OF CLEFT PALATES

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John Krauss introduced the speaker, **Seth Conley**, who substituted for the originally scheduled speaker, **Dr. Byron Henry**. Seth spoke on the topic of "Healing Kids Worldwide of Cleft Palates" and how the Free to Smile (FTS) Foundation helps make this healing possible.

Seth's biography on the FTS website provides this background: Seth was introduced to FTS in 2008. In 2014, he was part of the mission team that traveled to Guatemala. This experience left a lasting impression and a desire to do more. Since then, he has been a strong advocate and supporter of FTS, and became its Executor Director in 2021.

Seth grew up in Northwest Ohio and is a graduate of Mount Vernon University. Most of his professional career has been in the dental industry. Working with one of the top dental practice management firms in the country, Seth was instrumental in its growth

from a regional firm to a national brand. As the CE Curriculum and Development Director, he led a team that managed over 30 dental programs nationally and internationally every year.

Seth described how FTS was founded in 2008 by Dr. Byron Henry, who practices oral and maxillofacial surgery, and his wife Stacy, who ran FTS for a long time. FTS is made up of a team of doctors and volunteers who serve impoverished and underserved children suffering from cleft lip/palate deformities around the world. They deliver comprehensive, high-quality and long-term surgical and dental services to those children.

Seth emphasized the importance of understanding a country's history and culture when providing medical care. This is especially true in Guatemala, given the impact of that country's prior civil war on trust in medical facilities, where sometimes there was illegal trafficking in babies.

Seth explained the process of cleft surgery, including the closure of the lip and palate, and the multiple surgeries required for complete treatment. He highlighted the extreme poverty in Guatemala, and the challenges faced by children born with clefts, including malnutrition and social stigma.

Children and adolescents receive transformative care from FTS at no charge. Doctors and volunteers donate their time and expertise while also paying their own airfare to serve on mission teams. Seth invited Club members to get involved with FTS, through charitable giving and volunteering.

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August 4

Steve Turnbull
David Zadnick

August 11

Roger (Rod) Essig
Jessica Grisez

August 18

Bob Nolan
Chris Copeland

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August 4

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August 18

Sandra Cotter
Jeanine Hummer

CALENDAR

August 4 - Scioto CC/ZOOM
Steve and Melissa Edell,
“Student Mental Health and
Forward for Hope 5K in honor
of Carter Edell”
Host: Angela Lancot

August 11 - Scioto CC/ZOOM
Molly Kreuzman, Program
Director, Ohio Goes to the
Movies
Host: Herb Gillen

August 18 - Scioto CC/ZOOM
Heidi Munc, Vice President of
User Experience – Nationwide,
“How Nationwide looks at user
experience and the intersection
between design and technology”
Host: Kelly Marlow/Steve Schoeny

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SOCIAL EVENTS

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reminder to herb@herbgillen.com for
inclusion in the Rotaryview Newsletter.

OUR NEXT MEETING

AUGUST 4TH
Scioto Country Club / ZOOM

Upper Arlington
Rotary
Club



THE MEETING



Glen Dugger opened the meeting, which was held at Scioto Country Club and on Zoom.

Tom Davis provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

There were no guests or visiting Rotarians.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Peggy Concilla noted that there are 60 members who have not paid on their most recent dues invoices. Peggy's message: Pay. Up.

Brad Frick asked a number of questions about the year when certain historical events occurred, and the answer to all of those questions was: 1929. He then noted that this was the year Club member **Dave Shelby** was born, and Brad then congratulated Dave on celebrating his 97th birthday this week.

Dave Hammond did fund-raising-related harassment with a United States Semiquincentennial theme.

SORTING OUT WHERE TO CONTRIBUTE

ORGANIZATION	DONATION DESIGNATIONS	ADDRESS	MEMBER CONTACT	EMAIL
Upper Arlington Rotary Club	Club dues	P.O. Box 12013 Columbus, OH 43212	Peggy Concilla	concillapl@gmail.com
Upper Arlington Rotary Foundation	Annual \$365 and some other club funding requests	1704 Sundridge Dr. Columbus, OH 43221	Andy Livingston	andy.w.livingston@gmail.com
Rotary International Foundation	\$125 Club, Paul Harris and Polio Plus	2902 Halstead Rd. Columbus, OH 43221	Milt Lustnauer	milt@miltssellshomes.com