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Greg Lashutka was our speaker today. **Dick Stone** introduced Greg and reminded us of his many years of public service – including time working with Judge Richard Metcalf and Congressman Sam Devine as well as service as Columbus City Attorney and Mayor. He is now in private practice.

Greg opened his remarks by noting that he thinks we are living in the biggest time of change he has seen in his lifetime. The changes are occurring at the local, national and global levels.



The underlying theme of Greg's remarks was that communities are, to a great extent, defined by the quality of the leaders who emerge. He recounted his long term relationship with Charlie Walker who has recently passed away. Walker (an African-American attorney) was a leader in central Ohio whose greatest desire in life was to make a positive difference in the entire community. His dedication to the greater good, and similar dedication on the part of other leaders, is the reason that we live in a region that works.

People like Charlie Walker planted "green shoots" throughout the community which ultimately yielded positive results for the region.

Strong community leaders are excellent role models for the generations who follow them. He pointed out that Upper Arlington is a place where there is a large number of people committed to making and keeping the community an excellent place to live. These leaders serve as excellent role models to the generations who will follow.

The Columbus/Central Ohio region is, in reality, a "series of neighborhoods" which makes this region somewhat unusual in comparison to many other larger cities. Within that group of neighborhoods one can see distinct characteristics that reflect the nature and quality of the prevailing leadership. Overall, Lashutka believes that those communities (neighborhoods) that have strong positive leaders not only help themselves but also have a positive influence on others in the region. They serve as role models or beacons.

The greatest loss that a region can experience would be the loss of leaders who can show the way to a better future. He noted that a transition is now taking place from older, established, leaders to the next generation.

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Tom Westfall

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Bob Ness

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Dick Beckett

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Ted Foster
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CALENDAR

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He also talked about the importance of collaborative action by various elements within the community. He cited the long term cooperative efforts of many agencies to rid Columbus neighborhoods of the scourge of the Short North Posse which was just finally dismantled after nearly 25 years of work. This speaks to the importance

of creating safe places for people to live and work. The next big area of concern which needs to be addressed aggressively and cooperatively is the opioid epidemic.

The Columbus/Central Ohio region is the only one of Ohio's seven largest metropolitan areas to have grown over the past 50 years.

The Meeting

First Vice President **Dave Dewey**, filling in for **Chip Knoop**, opened the meeting and asked **Joe Valentino** to offer the Invocation and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Andy Livingston introduced visiting Rotarian and Assistant District Governor **Steve Heiser**. **Celia Crossley** introduced her "first husband" Jim.

A cluster of member birthdays were noted in the A/V program before the meeting. **Peter Korda** celebrated on December 5, **Chris Dusseau** on December 6 and **Carl Aschinger** on December 8.

Dave thanked **Sandy Clary** for her leadership on this year's Holiday Wish Program. The \$3,585 raised directly from club members was matched by the UA Rotary Foundation for a total of \$7,170.

The annual election of Directors took place. Directors elected for the 2017-2019 term are **Paul Germain**, **Nicole Helfrich**, **Christine Taylor**, **Don Leach** and **Tom Davis**. **Herb Gillen** was elected Secretary.

We welcomed three new members today. **Jim Nicklaus**, **Paul Berg** and **Telanda Sidari** were introduced.

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Notes and Announcements

Bob Whetzel clarified a point from last week's program. He noted that Rotary was first organized in 1905 and that Rotary International came into being in 1911 when a Canadian chapter was formed. Also, there were originally 35 people who committed to become charter members but two dropped out before the club became active – thus, the number dropped to 33 charter members.

Dave McCurdy reported that over \$1,300 was raised during the club's Salvation Army bell ringing stint last week. He also reminded us of the goal to increase Rotary International Foundation contributions by at least \$26.50 over last year's contribution – in recognition of the amount used to originally establish the Foundation 100 years ago.

Megan Horvath announced that all Rotary families with children are welcome to participate in activities at a Christmas celebration at First Community on Saturday, December 17. Megan has details.

Phil Glandon reminded us of the Holiday party next Tuesday, December 13. The final push for signups is on. The deadline to reply is this Friday, December 9. Reply to the electronic email invitation. Signup sheets were also on the tables.

The next YWCA Family Center meal service is Tuesday, December 20 from 5:30 to about 7:00 PM. Let **John Huneck** know if you can help out.

Chris Widing reported that our Community Service Committee's Coat Drive is ongoing. The deadline to contribute is December 20 (extended from December 19). Coats can be dropped off at our December 20 meeting or at any one of 14 locations listed on the handout Chris provided. Coats will go to the YWCA Family Center and the Community Shelter Board.

Alan Yarletts announced that the club's two candidates for long-term study abroad have been approved. This means that we will host two long-term incoming international students in the upcoming year.

Linda Cummins reminded us that the January Roundtable will be held on the second Tuesday in January - not the normal first Tuesday. The date for the next Roundtable is January 10.

Andy Livingston, UA Rotary Foundation Treasurer, reminded us that year-end contributions to the Foundation are processed through the Columbus Foundation. 2016 contributions need to be made soon in order to assure processing by year's end. Don't wait until the last few days of the year.