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**John Krauss** introduced the speaker: **Ashley Lester**, Senior Project Manager at Columbus Downtown Development Corporation. A graduate of OSU, Ashley's current job is to work on the development and promotion of the new National Veteran's Memorial & Museum that is being built on the old Vets Memorial site, near downtown, on the Scioto Peninsula. The NVMM is scheduled to open in spring/summer 2018.

The NVMM's mission is to:

- **HONOR** Americans' contributions through military service
- **CONNECT** civilians with veterans and their military experience
- **INSPIRE** visitors to serve their community and nation as citizens and
- **EDUCATE** school children about the history and value of service via an interactive permanent exhibition. Additionally, the space will host events for active duty and retired military members, including homecoming ceremonies, ROTC trainings and graduations, celebrations, and parades.

The NVMM arose out of the City of Columbus and Franklin County developing a land-use plan for the Scioto Peninsula. CDDC is Project Manager, overseeing architectural firm Allied Works, landscape architect OLIN, museum exhibit design firm Ralph Applebaum Associates, and construction services firm Turner Construction. There is an Advisory Committee of veterans which had been headed by the late John Glenn.

As stated on the NVMM website, there will be a concrete arch structure with a glass curtainwall system, featuring a spiral processional rising to a rooftop sanctuary. The sanctuary, which will also be accessible from inside of the building, is envisioned to be a civic room designed for ceremonies, celebrations, and reflection. With more than 50,000 square feet, the Museum will feature a Great Hall, providing views of the Scioto River, as well as a space for gatherings and public events. The Exhibition Galleries will follow the curve of the concrete rings, and the experience will conclude with an interactive media experience in the heart of the building. A second floor mezzanine will feature

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## GREETERS

### January 17

Dave Hammond  
Paul Berg

### January 24

Telanda Sidari  
Linda Cummins

### January 31

James Nicklaus  
Brent Jackson

## REGISTRATION DESK

### January 17

Chris Taylor  
Tracy Harbold

### January 24

Jon Hellstedt  
Bill Mielke

### January 31

Jim Hamilton  
Rich Simpson

## CALENDAR

### January 17

Molly Seguin,  
CASA of Franklin County  
Host: J. Krauss

### January 24

Nicole Dunn  
Host - Peggy Concilla

### January 31

Chief Tracey Hahn, UAPD  
Host: D. Holcomb

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### March 2, 2017

YWCA - 5:30-7:00pm  
Contact John Huneck  
for more information

Submit your volunteer opportunity to [herb@herbgillen.com](mailto:herb@herbgillen.com) for inclusion in the Rotaryview Newsletter.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

### Thursday, January 19th

After-Work Social at Hadley's

### Sunday, February 12th

Family Fun Day  
at Pins Mechanical Co.

### Thursday, March 2nd

Private Tour & Tasting  
at Middle West Spirits

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a Memorial Room to honor fallen veterans, and a lower level will incorporate a Rotating Exhibition Gallery and interpretive classrooms and meeting rooms. There will also be a Memorial Grove, designed as a place for reflection so that visitors can pause to think about what they have experienced

in the Museum. At the center of a circular path will be a grove of trees, symbolizing reflection and designating this area as a sacred place to honor and memorialize veterans. At the end of the path will be a stone wall featuring a reflecting pool at the base and three areas where water will cascade over the wall.

## The Meeting

**Chris Reinke** gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

There were no visiting Rotarians.

**Linda Cummins** introduced our guest **Shirley-Brooks Jones**, who had spoken at Rotary Roundtable and described her experience on 9/11. Her flight from Europe that day was diverted to the airport at Gander, in Newfoundland, Canada, along with many other flights. The local people provided the passengers with food, lodging and hospitality for 3 days, on a moment's notice, and refused to take payment. Subsequently, Shirley and other passengers created a scholarship fund at The Columbus Foundation which has provided scholarship awards for students from that area for 15 years.



## Notes and Announcements

**Chip Knoop** noted that **Ted Schindler** has been approved to take a leave of absence from the Club. Chip had Ted's permission to share that he is battling Parkinson's Disease. Good wishes from Club members to Ted will certainly be welcome.

Chip also encouraged members who have younger children to participate in the Meals on Wheels program operated by LifeCare Alliance. Chip noted the recent newspaper story featuring a UA mother who regularly takes her children on her Meals on Wheels route.

Chip noted that April 29 is the date for the Rotary district conference.

**John Huneck** thanked members who participated in the recent effort with the YWCA. A large number of Giant Eagle gift cards were provided by the Club, to enable people moving from the YWCA Family Shelter to stock their new homes with food.

**Price Finley** shared his and **Steve Sandbo's** experiences visiting other clubs in the district. He encouraged every member to give to the Rotary Foundation.

**Doug Godard** reported on the Club's effort with the Tri-Village Club to provide more than 500 coats, plus a check, for the Community Shelter Board.