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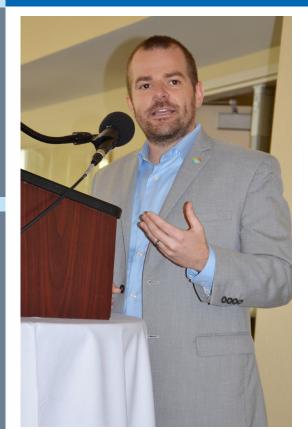
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Angela Lanctot introduced the speaker, Travis Gulling, Executive Director of A Kid Again. Travis has been at A Kid Again since 2020, and previously worked as the development director at the OSU Moritz College of Law and with the Boy Scouts of America Simon Kenton Council. He resides in Hilliard with his wife and son, with another child on the way.

A Kid Again (AKA) is a children's charity based in Columbus with 6 chapters in the US. As described by Travis and AKA's website: the Columbus office serves families who are raising children living with life-threatening conditions across Central Ohio region. AKA does so by providing cost-free, fun-filled destination events throughout the year that they call "Adventures". Destinations include such venues as the Columbus Zoo, King's Island, and COSI, plus OSU, Blue Jackets and Clippers games. Through these Adventures, families can take a break from doctor visits and hospital stays and enjoy quality time together. Enrollment is open to families with children under 20 years of age whose diagnosis is deemed life-threatening by a medical professional.

Travis described three ways someone can help AKA: (1) share AKA's story and help identify children and families who are eligible for AKA's programs, (2) volunteer at the Adventures; there are only 6 paid staff members in Columbus, so a large volunteer force is needed; and (3) make a financial gift.



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GREETERS

October 17 Matt Rule Lou Sauter

October 24 Eric Stoll Tom Sugar

October 31 Cheryl Turnbull Steve Turnbull

REGISTRATION DESK

October 17 Dick Stone Jeanine Hummer

October 24 Kevin Brown Brian Hall

October 31 Ted Foster Brendan King

CALENDAR

October 17 - Scioto CC/Zoon UA City Council Candidate Forum Host: Brad Frick

October 24 - Scioto CC/Zoom UA School Board

Candidate Forum Host: Brad Frick

October 31 - Scioto CC/Zoom

Kristen Easterday & Casey Denny – Preview of the New Port Columbus Terminal and Updates On Columbus Regional Airport Authority Host: Herb Gillen

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.



OCTOBER 17TH Scioto Country Club/Zoom



THE MEETING



Andy Livingston opened the meeting, which was held in person at Raymond Memorial Golf Course and also via Zoom.

Ralph Griffith provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Visiting Rotarians included **Carol Mohr** and **Jeff Trotier**. There were no guests.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:









Doug Godard offered thanks for members who have given to the winter coat drive for West Broad Street Elementary School students. Please watch for emails about how to give and volunteer with this effort.

Doug also announced that he is a new member of the Grandparents' Club, with the birth of his grandson Grayson.

Mike Kull asked for volunteers for Sunday October 15 from 12:30 to 3:30 pm at the Homes for Families facility. Volunteers will unload trucks and assemble meal packages.

Jack Cotter provided a reminder that Rotary Roundtable will be held on October 17 from 11 am - Noon and will feature UA residents **Col. Scott Lerdon**, Wing Commander of the 121st Air Refueling Wing at Rickenbacker ANGB, and his wife **Elena Schlenker-Lerdon**, Col (ret.).

Angela Lanctot asked for members to bring donations of candy to the next couple of meetings, for use in a charitable program that the Club is involved in.

Herb Gillen described a recent meeting of the Jones Middle School Interact Club. Other JMS students are welcome to join—please see him or **Ned Clark**. Some students will be helping with the Homes for Families volunteer project.

Andy Livingston welcomed former Club President Tom McClain back to membership in the Club.

Andy shared that **Chris Dusseau** has resigned from the Club in good standing. Also, Andy noted that, due to **UA Chamberlain** taking a leave of absence to pursue further education, and **Chris Guglielmi** moving to another city, two openings on the Club's board have been created, and **Anne Croskey** and **Chip Knoop** will be filling out the rest of the terms.

Andy provided a reminder of the Dec. 12 holiday party, and that there will be no regular meeting that day. Also, there will be no meetings on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.

Andy also noted that the Club's board has approved a grant from the UA Rotary Charitable Foundation to the Ohio Women's Affordable Housing Network, for welcome baskets and kitchen kits. Andy shared that \$30,000 has moved from the Club's account to the Charitable Foundation's account, to support the Club's charitable giving.

Dave Hammond conducted a round of harassment, involving trivia questions where he provided multiple-choice answers, but the questions were still very challenging.

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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Upper Arlington Rotary Foundation	Annual \$250 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	244 Daniel Burnham Sq. Columbus, OH 43215	Debbie Johnson	debbiejohnson33@gmail.com

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