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UA Rotarian **Brian Bainbridge** introduced Franklinton Board of Trade Director, **Trent Smith**. After an 18-year career with Westbanco, Trent joined the non-profit organization. He said, "I wasn't sure if we had enough resources to last six weeks, but 14 years later -here I am." Their mission is to promote and improve the Franklinton area West of downtown. The Board leads networking programs and community initiatives for businesses and residents.

- Advocate
- Beautify
- Connect

The board originated in 1904 with a mission to raise the railroad tracks that crossed Broad Street resulting in significant delays for those wishing to go downtown. Completed in 1911, the organization held a celebration of their effort. Nearly 120 later, the Board still promotes the area for business and cultural growth.

A variety of businesses are located in Franklinton including a Pipe Organ Repair Service, Insurance agencies, Auto Service, two blacksmiths, and Land Grant Brewing Company. Magician Eric Tate lives in the area and has been featured nationally on the television show, Penn & Teller's Fool Us.

The Franklinton Board is unique in that it has developed a 501c3 subsidiary to promote an area within their boundary map. The Franklinton Special Improvement District provides security and resources to assist businesses. Their mission also included cleanup initiatives to remove trash, tires, and vegetation that typically have been eyesores in the area. From June of 2022 to June of 2023, they removed 92,000 lbs. of trash, 44,000 lbs. of dirt and rock, and another 78,417 lbs. of yard waste. Alley cleaning is area of emphasis as this region is often plagued by illegal dumping. The Board pays local residents hourly to assist with cleanup. This program has had success with the individuals involved as several have made dramatic changes to improve their circumstances.

The are implementing a DORA, or Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area. This will allow beer/alcohol sales in public to facilitate patrons to walk about the area during events. There is a survey regarding the DORA at www.downtowncolumbus.com/dora

Smith emphasized the importance of human interaction when dealing with homeless people. He explained that they try offer something rather than just insist that they move along.

Q&A:

The area promotes arts. Franklinton Friday are on the second Friday of each month and offer an opportunity of patrons to speak directly to local artists -similar to the Short North Gallery hop.

Their networking events are intended to welcome surrounding areas. They are collaborating with the Hilltop.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view this meeting and all previously recorded Rotary meetings



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No Lunch Meeting

UA Rotary Holiday Party
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

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OUR NEXT MEETING

NOVEMBER 28ST

Scioto Country Club/Zoom

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THE MEETING



The November 21, 2023, Upper Arlington Rotary Meeting was held at Scioto Country Club with online access via Zoom. President **Andy Livingston** signaled the start of the meeting with the traditional bell ringing, and Prayer and Pledge was led by **Sandra Cotter**.

There were no guests or visiting Rotarians.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



Tom Davis needs the final two spots filled for The Salvation Army Kettle Ringing at Kroger on Chambers Rd. 7-8PM December 8th and 1:45-3PM on December 9th are available.

Jack Cotter thanked **Rick Barth** for hosting today's Roundtable on the 60th anniversary of the JFK Assassination. Rick will lead a presentation at The UA Public Library on November 28th.

Jessica Grisez informed and thanked the club for helping to package 91 baskets for the Tri-Village Packers. This is joint effort that furnishes meals for free/reduced lunch students in the Tri-Village area.

President Livingston noted that the Tri-Village Packers effort is a District initiative to assist with other clubs. Andy also relayed that the club directories are at the printer and will available soon. He also gave a summary of the Rotary Board Meeting from last week:

- \$2500 to Little Bottoms Free Store
- \$1500 to Pediatric Cancer Awareness
- Our first payment of \$15,000 for the UA Community Center

Brian Hall was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow +3 Award. Andy concluded his comments by reminding members that they will receive a letter/invoice for UA Rotary Foundation dues of \$365.



UA ROTARY VOLUNTEERS!

UA Rotarians volunteered for Tri-Village Packers last week, prepping food to be packaged for UA and Grandview Heights school children on free and reduced lunch. Nearly 100 children will have meals and snacks over the Thanksgiving holiday.



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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.

ORGANIZATION	DONATION DESIGNATIONS	ADDRESS	MEMBER CONTACT	EMAIL
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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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