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**Milt Lustnauer** introduced the speaker, **Dan Sullivan**.

Dan is President and Managing Partner of HNS Sports Group, a golf management company based in Dublin, Ohio specializing in event management, hospitality management, sponsorship and contract representation. Dan is also the Executive Director of the Memorial Tournament. He directs all business, marketing, community, philanthropic and operational aspects associated with the Tournament. Additionally, Sullivan and HNS Sports Group have led the 2013 Presidents Cup, the 2016 U.S. Senior Open and the annual Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship on the Korn Ferry Tour.

Dan has been on the board of the Greater Columbus Sports Commission since the Sports Commission's inception in 2002 and joined the Executive Committee in 2015. He also holds seats on the boards of Experience Columbus, Tourism Ohio, Nationwide Children's Hospital, St. Charles Preparatory School and The First Tee of Central Ohio.

Sullivan has a Bachelor of Science degree from Miami University. He lives in Marble Cliff with his wife, Alyson, and their four children.

Dan began his involvement with the Tournament in its founding year of 1976, when he was in junior high school. He has had 30 years on the staff of the Tournament, with the last 20 as Executive Director.

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the Tournament has been moved from its originally scheduled time in early June to the week of July 13. This was possible because of the cancellation of other tournaments. There will be five other PGA Tour events before the Tournament, none of which will have spectators. So, the Tournament will be the first such event to allow spectators, should the state of Ohio permit it.

Dan described the numerous safety precautions that the Tournament will employ, including the following:

- Everyone will be required to wear a mask.
- Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the course.
- Temperatures of all attendees will be taken.
- Transactions will be all cashless; there will be no cash on the premises.
- Social distancing will be required on the course. Dan envisions the use of corrals and one-way corridors for this purpose. RFID badges could help with the necessary monitoring.
- There are 110 acres of grass parking that will be used. Fans will be encouraged to walk from their cars. Shuttles will operate at 50% of normal capacity and will be sterilized after each run.

Dan said that he recognizes some fans may find these measures to be difficult, but he sees no other way to provide for everyone's safety.



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Dan is a member of two of Governor DeWine's task forces on reopening of businesses. One relates to tourism and travel, and the other relates to sporting events. In this role, he has advocated for fans to be able to attend the Tournament and other golf events, since it is much more possible to assure social distancing on a golf course than in indoor venues.

Dan anticipates a final decision by the end of June, as to whether fans will be allowed at the Tournament. Even if there are no fans, there will

still be many hundreds of people needed to run the Tournament, including caddies, PGA Tour staff and people involved in broadcasting. If there are fans, Dan anticipates the number to be at a level that is 20-25% of normal levels.

The Tournament has its own task force advising it on public health matters, and this task force includes public health officials from Franklin County and the City of Dublin, as well as the Tournament's own physician.



## THE MEETING

**Herb Gillen** opened the Club's virtual meeting, which more than 70 members attended via Zoom.

**Dave Hammond** provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Visiting Rotarians included former District Governor **Bart Mahoney**, Assistant District Governor **Wolf Lant** and **Jim Lynch** of the Tri-Village Club.

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tracy Harbold** thanked the Club for being the first donor to the Upper Arlington Community Foundation's Good Neighbor Fund. This fund has provided more than \$43,000 in grants since March 20 to cover emergency needs of UA families and businesses. She noted that the needs are not at an end.

**Barri Jones** shared an opportunity for four Rotarians to make hygiene kits with the Assistance League of Metro Columbus on Friday May 22, from 10 am to noon. Contact Barri if you'd like to participate.

Assistant District Governor **Wolf Lant** thanked the Club for its contribution to District 6690's effort to provide support to foodbanks in the District. Approximately \$50,000 was raised, and then matched by the District, so that approximately \$100,000 was provide to foodbanks.

**Joe Valentino** provided a reminder that the Club's fundraiser has been rescheduled to August 14. There will be in-person and digital parallel tracks for the fundraiser, with a silent online auction that will go on for a number of days, and then a live auction at the event. Members can help by getting the word out about the fundraiser and also obtaining items for auction, such as gift cards for local businesses that need support.

**Milt Lustnauer** provided a reminder of the cloth, reusable masks that Mayan Families has made and sold to the Club. The Club has received approximately 3,000 masks and has distributed almost 2,000. Please email or text Milt if you want to obtain a mask.

Herb reported on Monday night's board meeting:

The Club Foundation will be part of The Columbus Foundation's Big Give event on June 10-11. Thanks to **Debbie Johnson** for getting the Club Foundation teed up for this event.

Club treasurer **John Adams** reported that the June 30 fiscal year-end cash position for the Club will be lower than at similar times in previous years, due to lunch cancellations and a fundraising event not happening in this fiscal year. The board decided to hold on spending on some budgeted items for the next seven weeks, until after the end of the fiscal year.

## GREETERS

# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT'D)

The board approved a new program that **John Trapp** proposed, to engage new members in supporting a charitable cause. John has arranged with UA Special Olympics to provide volunteer opportunities for members, when Special Olympic events restart.

The board approved **Debbie Johnson's** proposal to allow dues to be paid online, though it will still be possible to pay by check as well.

Herb also noted that at the May 26 Zoom meeting, **Bill Hosket** and **Jim Ayers** will host the annual program to honor Club members' family members who are new graduates of elementary, middle or high school as well as college graduates. Please email Herb with the name, photo, school, future plans and a special aspect of a graduate in your life who you'd like to honor. Such a graduate may attend the May 26 meeting.

Herb also announced the recent birth of **Nicole Helfrich's** baby daughter.

**Dave Dewey** conducted harassment via a slide show depicting members with recent birthdays. Oddly, the only person who explicitly was required to cough up a gift was Dave himself.

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## DEWEY CHECKS ON MEMBERS DURING QUARANTINE

**Dave Dewey** used this week's harassment to check in and see how certain club members have been spending their time during the quarantine. He showed recent photos pulled from members' social media feeds to expose how some of our members have been getting along. Those wishing to "pay fines" and help our local partner organizations in need could choose to support any of these local partner service organizations who are desperately needing support right now:

**Homeless Families Foundation:** <https://homelessfamiliesfoundation.org/give/in-kind.html>

**YWCA Family Center:** <https://www.ywacolumbus.org/get-involved/donate-now/make-a-material-donation/>

**Mid-Ohio Food Bank:** <https://give.midohiofoodbank.org/default.aspx?tsid=14708>

**Meals on Wheels** (donate or volunteer to deliver meals): <https://lifecare.mowscheduler.com/helpwanted>

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## SPECIAL ROTARY PARENT-GRAD RECOGNITION PLANNED

One of the special days on our Rotary calendar has traditionally been the day we honor the graduating children and grandchildren of our club members. This is such a special club tradition but due to this year's circumstances, we are going to be recognizing our grads a little differently. With these kids facing radically different than usual graduation procedures/ceremonies at their schools, we feel it is especially important to honor them in some way. We are pleased to say that **Bill Hosket** and **Jim "Vanna" Ayers** have signed on again to be the ringleaders for this year's festivities as we honor those graduating from elementary school, middle school, high school, college, or grad school..

We are going to hold an abbreviated Parent-Grad Day recognition via Zoom near the beginning of our regular meeting on May 26th at noon. Following the Grad recognition, Lt. Jon Wilhelm from the UA Police Department will be our main program discussing how the UA Police work on cold cases with particular emphasis on the Asenath Dukat case.

In order to recognize our grads, if you have a 2020 grad please email [herb@herbgillen.com](mailto:herb@herbgillen.com) by Friday, May 22nd with the following:

- a nice, decent resolution photo of your graduate
- the graduate's name
- school graduating from
- their relationship to you
- one special thing about the student
- where the student is headed next and their plans for the future

During our recognition ceremony, in lieu of having members present their grads, Bill and Jim will use this information to pay tribute to each grad as we display their photo. We will also be recognizing our club's grads on the club's Facebook page and in our club newsletter.

You are welcome to invite your grad and family members to watch the May 26th meeting. We will be sending a Zoom link to all members the week prior to the meeting that you can forward to them. Also, once we resume in-person meetings, we would like members to bring their grad to a future meeting at their convenience to be introduced in-person by the member and enjoy a complimentary lunch.

Also, we will be making arrangements to send a graduation gift to each grad.