

## **2023 Marion & Matty Penick Outstanding Community Service Award**

**Name of Nominee: Donald Adams**

*Name of Nominators: Joe Jenkins*

- A Rotarian believes in service above self and Don Adams is the best example of what a Rotarian should be. He cares about people and his community and has dedicated his life to helping others. Don also does not like being recognized for his services so he will not be thrilled when he finds out he has been nominated for this award.
- Don joins us as a retired long time Beavercreek resident and volunteer. Born and raised in Lake Preston, South Dakota; moved to Dayton when he was 16, graduated from Patterson Co-op.
- He has been married to his wife Ann Adams (Junior) for 55 years this year.
- He has three children: Angela, Allan, & Abigail.
- He retired in 2018 after working in the optical field the last 50 years.
- He started his volunteer life in the early 1970's as an NAO (Neighborhood Assistance Officer) with the Dayton Police Department. After moving to Beavercreek in 1974, he joined the Beavercreek Jaycees, where he served as a Vice President of the local chapter and as a District Director for the State of Ohio Jaycees. Don spent several years as a Squadron Commander and Group Commander for Civil Air Patrol. Don holds the rank of Major in Civil Air Patrol. He served on the Board of the Greater Dayton Emmaus Community for several years, finishing as the Chairperson of the Board.
- He worked with the Beavercreek High School Choir Department, serving in many capacities, including treasurer and President of the BMPA (Beavercreek Music Parents Association). He has volunteered as the Stage Manager for Beavercreek High School Friends Show Choir Annual Invitational for the last 12 years.
- He serves as the President of the Beavercreek Police, Citizens Police Academy, and as an active COPP (Citizen on Preventive Patrol) member since 2008. He served on the Beavercreek Charter Review Commission in 2019, as well as being a member of the Beavercreek Township Fire Department Auxiliary and CERT (Citizen Emergency Response Team). Don serves on the Kingswood Forest Board of Directors and is an active member of Beavercreek Christian Church where he has served as an Elder for 11 years.
- He works with GreeneBucs (Provide therapeutic bikes for the disabled including adults, children, and Veterans).
- He works with Nights of Shine (Provides a full prom experience for individuals over 14 years old with special needs).
- He has served as Vice Mayor and is currently serving on the Beavercreek City Council.
- He also serves as President of the Wright B Flyer.
- He is serving on the board of Trustees Greene County Family Violence.
- He is a member of the Beavercreek Women's League.
- He is a member of the Beavercreek Chamber of Commerce, where he was awarded the 2022 E.G Shaw Lifetime Achievement Award.
- He is an amazing person who has actively supported the Rotary Club in so many ways since first joining in June of 2019, from participating in numerous club events (e.g., Flags for Heroes, Beavercreek Popcorn Festival, Pancake Breakfast, Christmas Project, etc.), providing sponsorship, and currently serving as Sergeant in arms.