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Meet our New Board Members!

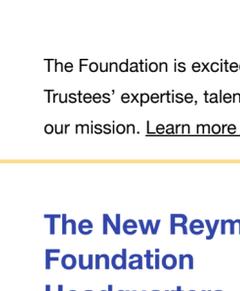
The Charles and Salome Reymann Foundation recently held its annual meeting and welcomed our newest members of the Board of Directors.



Stephanie Lammlein, Charles and Salome's great-granddaughter, is a graduate of Hiram College with a master's degree in Biological Sciences from Miami University. An educator at heart, Stephanie played a founding role in the creation of the Bio-Med Science Academy STEM School, envisioning a science-based, community-collaborative approach to learning. Many stories of student success reflect her vision and the school continues to grow.



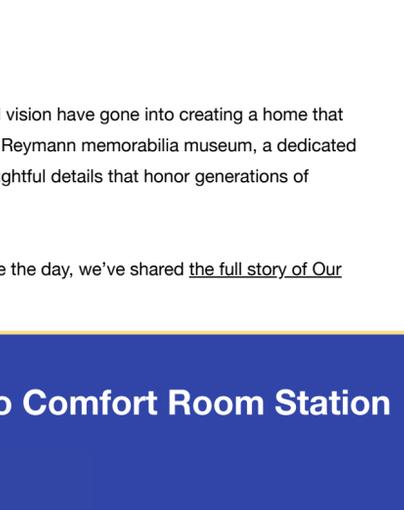
Joseph "Joe" Sokol is a graduate of Ashland University with a focus in Business, Management and Marketing. A former member of the Finance and Pastoral Councils at St. Matthew Parish, he currently serves on the Pastoral Council at St. Martin of Tours. Now retired, Joe held leadership roles in sales and management within the corrugated packaging industry and has long-standing ties to the Reymann family and Foundation.



Katherine "Kate" Reymann represents another fourth generation of the Reymann family stepping forward to carry on a legacy of philanthropy. A graduate of The Ohio State University, Kate earned degrees in Marketing and Sports Management. A lifelong athlete, she was a member of Ohio State's Varsity Women's Rowing team and recognized as a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar-Athlete. She is employed by The Ohio State University, where she supports student-athletes as they prepare for life after sports.

The Foundation is excited for our future. We can only be bigger and better with our new Trustees' expertise, talents and contributions. We thank them for their willingness to serve our mission. [Learn more about our Board of Directors on our website.](#)

The New Reymann Foundation Headquarters



We are settled into our new headquarters at the historic Reymann family home in Ellet. Following a wonderful grand opening celebration surrounded by family, Foundation members, community partners and neighbors, we are thrilled to be operating out of a space that truly represents our legacy and our future.

Nearly two years of planning, restoration and vision have gone into creating a home that reflects who we are. Inside, you'll now find a Reymann memorabilia museum, a dedicated board room, flexible meeting space and thoughtful details that honor generations of commitment to service and community.

If you missed the celebration or want to relive the day, we've shared [the full story of Our Journey Home on our website.](#)

Unveiling the Akron Zoo Comfort Room Station

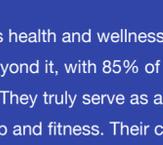
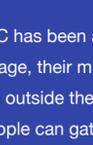
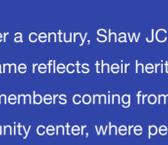


Members of The Charles and Salome Reymann Foundation were excited to attend the recent unveiling ceremony of the Akron Zoo Guest Comfort Room Station. The Foundation is a main benefactor of the Comfort Station, a private room that provides guests with special needs space to rest, attend to a need or decompress away from other zoo visitors.

Pictured at the unveiling are Akron Zoo President and CEO Doug Piekarz, Reymann Foundation Advisor Ken Dorsett, and Reymann Foundation Board members Rose DeBord, Alice Luse, Joe Sokol, Margaret Reymann Skinner, Gia Bell and Chris Reymann.

[Read the ABJ Article](#)

[Read Margaret Reymann Skinner's Speech at the Unveiling](#)



Representatives of The Charles and Salome Reymann Foundation participated in The Rotary Club of Akron's 36th Annual Chili Open Golf Classic. The event takes place on the first Saturday in February, usually a cold and brisk day. All proceeds from the event go to Rotary Camp for Children with Special Needs. The camp provides campers with the opportunity to experience traditional camping activities, develop friendships, learn life skills and create memories that will last a lifetime.

The Reymann Foundation is proud of our long association with the Rotary Camp, partnering with them to assist in helping to send individuals with special needs to summer and overnight camps as well as year-round respite programs.

Pictured are Foundation Board members, Advisors, Ambassadors and Rotary Camp staff, in what was reported as the coldest temperatures ever for the event, having a good time and supporting a great cause!



The Charles and Salome Reymann Foundation is pleased to announce our new partnership with the Shaw Jewish Community Center in support of their "Pool Together for Akron" project.

For over a century, Shaw JCC has been a vital part of Akron's health and wellness. While their name reflects their heritage, their mission extends far beyond it, with 85% of their 4,500 members coming from outside the Jewish community. They truly serve as an Akron community center, where people can gather for fun, friendship and fitness. Their current pool attracts 2,100 visitors each week during summer, creating lifelong memories and acting as a vital resource for physical activity, social bonding and therapeutic programs.

The Center is undertaking a pool renovation project. Foundation Board members Margaret Skinner, Alice Luse and Rose DeBord recently presented a check to the Center, represented by Julie Nations and Stephanie York, to support the purchase of an accessible pool chairlift that will enable individuals with mobility challenges to enter and exit the pool safely and independently. The chairlift will aid in creating barrier-free pool access, expanding the availability for therapeutic aquatic programming and enhancing social integration by removing physical barriers to participation. Individuals with autism spectrum disorders, intellectual disabilities, physical disabilities, as well as seniors with mobility challenges and stroke rehabilitation patients, will all benefit.

The Shaw Jewish Community Center's mission as Akron's inclusive community center – a place where every person, regardless of ability, background, age, or faith, can enjoy the joy, health benefits and social connections the Center's outdoor pool offers each summer – truly aligns with the mission of the Reymann Foundation!

Recent Reymann Family Birthdays

We are proud to celebrate the birthdays of Reymann siblings!



Gilbert B. Reymann
February 1

Cletus L. and Clement L. Reymann
March 21

Thomas G. Reymann
March 23

Your support helps further our mission to enhance the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities across Northeast Ohio.

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