

## 2019 Marion & Matty Penick Outstanding Community Service Award

*Name of Nominee: Dr. Frank E. James Jr.*

*Name of Nominators: James L. Rudd*

It is my distinct honor and pleasure to nominate Dr. Frank E. James, Jr. for the 2018 Marion and Matty Penick Outstanding Community Service Award. Dr. James has practiced Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self" throughout his lifetime in making this community a better place in which to live. As I gathered information on Dr. James from his son, Barry, for this write-up, the following quotes are attributed to Barry concerning his father: "He has done many other things that he has kept to himself and I will never know about it." He has never really sought out any spotlight for his non-business efforts." This is illustrated in the following description of Dr. James' contributions to the Beavercreek Rotary Club and the Beavercreek community.

Dr. James has been an active member of the Beavercreek Rotary Club for over 38 years. He was instrumental in establishing Rotary Park. He has earned four Paul Harris Fellowships plus one for his wife, Iris. Dr. James and his firm, James Investment Research, Inc., has sponsored numerous Beavercreek Rotary Club golf outings (the club's most successful fundraising event for many years), as well as Miami Valley golf outings. He has provided significant support to the Beavercreek Popcorn Festival in the past. Dr. James and his wife, Iris, have hosted exchange students from Germany and France. He has also sponsored events for Rotary District 6670. Dr. James and his firm's annual presentation to the club on the economic forecast for the coming year has been the most popular and heavily attended program for many years. Dr. James has faithfully supported the Beavercreek Rotary Club and its many activities for 38 years. He serves as a role model for what it means to be a Rotarian.

Dr. James has been a major contributor to the community of Beavercreek to make it a better place in which to live. His firm was recognized as Community Supporter of the Year three times by the Dayton Business Journal. He served on the Greene County Commissioners Advisory Board for many years. Dr. James and his firm have provided local sponsorships and donations of approximately \$200,000 in the last five years. Examples are as follows: a) scholarships for three high schools, b) support for three universities, c) support for five hospitals and medical centers, d) support for six churches and missionaries, and e) support for many worthwhile organizations, such as the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, Alzheimer's Association, Salvation Army, Goodwill, YMCA, Boy Scouts of America, etc. Dr. James is truly a significant asset to the community of Beavercreek.

In summary, Dr. Frank James has dedicated his life to serving others. He exemplified Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self" through his generous service to the Beavercreek Rotary Club and community of Beavercreek. Dr. James is extremely deserving of the 2018 Marion and Matty Penick Outstanding Community Service Award.