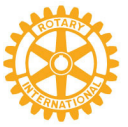


OCTOBER 26, 2020

Rotary
Club of Nashville



ROTATIONS

Weekly Update from the Rotary Club of Nashville

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON MEETINGS

Rotarians,

As Rotarians, we reflect each week upon the Four Way Test of the things we think, say or do to guide us in our decisions. The fourth part asks, "will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

We have been closely monitoring the status of key metrics around the spread of COVID-19 in our community. With 3 of the key metrics at a concerning level, we have made the difficult decision to not resume in-person meetings at this time. The best evidence available to us continues to indicate that large, indoor, in-person gatherings present significant risks to our members and subsequently, to our community. Meetings will continue to be held virtually via Zoom with a carefully curated program offered each week. It was our hope to not reverse course on our plan to resume in-person meetings in November, but we feel the best way to serve our community is to do everything we can to keep it safe.

We continue to serve our community and to offer socially distanced fellowship opportunities. We hope you will participate as you are able. We value your friendship, your membership in Rotary, and your health. As circumstances change, we will communicate with you and adjust our plans.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard".

Richard Exton | 2020-2021 President
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MISS A VIRTUAL MEETING? FIND THEM ALL ON THE ROTARY RESOURCES PAGE:
[HTTPS://WWW.NASHVILLEROTARY.ORG/ROTARY-RESOURCES/](https://www.nashvillerotary.org/rotary-resources/)

Happening at Rotary:

Virtual Rotary Meetings:

October 26: The Promise with WPLN & Warner Elementary
 November 2: Veteran's Appreciation with Eden Murrie, Operation Stand Down
 November 9: No Rotary meeting/Veteran's Day
 November 16: Mayor John Cooper

Service Opportunities:

October 25: Habitat Build
 October 29: Hooray for Teachers lunch at Warner Elementary
 November 13: Project C.U.R.E. (1-3 p.m.)

Fellowship Opportunity:

October 26: Right After Rotary
 November 6: Lunch at Cheekwood (11.30 a.m.)

MEETING ASSISTANTS THIS WEEK:

Speaker Intro: Steve Swenson
 Invocation: [Click here to volunteer.](#)

VIRTUAL MEETING LOG IN INFO:

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82247091217?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82247091217?pwd=ck5YMVVtMGc2eXNlUEJ4NStwVXkx5QT09)
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 1-312-626-6799
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Right After Rotary

Continue the conversation immediately following Monday's Rotary meeting:
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VIRTUAL ROTARY-OCTOBER 26, 2020: THE PROMISE WITH WPLN & WARNER ELEMENTARY

About The Promise: An immersive series about inequality and the people trying to rise above it. Season 2 grapples with public education and race: one school trying to stay afloat, a neighborhood divided over race and economics, and a city that's resisted school desegregation every step of the way. Listen to the podcast here: <https://wpln.org/programs/the-promise/>

Dr. Ricki Gibbs, Warner Elementary

"I am no longer accepting the things I cannot change; I am changing the things I cannot accept." This quote, from Angela Davis, has been the driving force behind Dr. Gibbs' passion to change lives through the power of a great education. Dr. Ricki Gibbs earned his B.S. in Elementary Education and M.Ed. in Administration and Supervision from Tennessee State University. He then went on to earn a Doctor of Education degree in Organizational Leadership and Strategic Change from Lipscomb University. He started his career teaching 3rd grade at Paragon Mills Elementary in Nashville for four years. He served as an assistant principal and principal in Metro Nashville Public Schools and now has the honor of currently leading the transformation work as principal of Warner Arts Magnet Elementary.

Meribah Knight, WPLN

Meribah Knight is a journalist who relocated to Nashville from Chicago, where she covered business, the economy, housing, crime and transportation. She is the host of The Promise podcast. Most recently she was a staff reporter with Crain's Chicago Business covering manufacturing in the Rust Belt, aviation and transportation. Prior to Crain's she was a staff reporter with the Chicago News Cooperative, producing the Chicago section of The New York Times. There she covered a wide range of topics from arts & culture to education to poverty. She was an adjunct lecturer at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. Her writing has appeared The New York Times, The New Yorker, O, The Oprah Magazine, Utne Reader, American Craft, Chicago Magazine, Crain's Chicago Business and The Chicago Reader. Her radio and multimedia work has been featured on WBEZ, The PBS NewsHour and Chicago Public Television.

NEW MEMBER PROPOSALS

The following applicants have moved through the application process and been approved for consideration by the general membership. If no objections are filed in writing within 10 days, the applicants shall be declared elected to membership. Until notified by the Rotary Office, the applicants have not completed the membership process.



Barbara Bell

Director, Center for STEM Education,
 Harpeth Hall School
 Sponsor: Joyce Searcy



Darren Kennedy

Business Development Manager
 Ingram Content Group
 Sponsor: Alfred Degrafinreid, II

SERVICE IN OCTOBER



BOOK'EM

Book'em is going virtual. Read to a classroom of local students via Zoom.
[Sign up here.](#)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25--FALL HABITAT BUILD

Help a local family achieve their dreams of home ownership.
[Sign up here.](#)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29--HOORAY FOR TEACHERS LUNCH WARNER ELEMENTARY

Rotary is thanking teachers by sending lunch. Make an encouraging sign to be displayed in the school and deliver to the Rotary office by Wednesday, October 28.

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