

# Rotary



# Club of Smyrna

## Events

August 29th

[Smyrna Weekly Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Dietz Osborne

**Subject:** Miriam's Promise

September 14th

[Wings of Freedom Fish Fry](#)

September 5th

[Smyrna Weekly meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Mike Waller

**Subject:** Club assembly to discuss Fish Fry

September 26th

[Smyrna Weekly Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Dr. Ming Wang

## Presidents note 8/29

Thursday, August 1, 2019

Please join me today at noon at the town center for Rotary.

Our sergeant at arms this week will be Regina Medlin and LeAnne Duffey **Please check the table in the back to sign up for your week.** Remember the role of the Sergeant at arms is to help host the room, sign in guests, welcome members and assist the officers in getting the room set up and taken down.

Don't forget we have a Fish Fry meeting at 1130 and also after the meeting today we need a few folks to go over to the airport to assemble the new stanchions we have recently purchased to use for the Fish Fry.

The **ground breaking event on August 22 for the Rotary All Inclusive playground was a great success. See the feature story in The Murfreesboro Post. In addition, our social media metrics were the highest ever for any story we have featured.**

We have as a featured speaker this week Dietz Osborne with Miriam's Promise .

See you at lunch !  
--Bobby [Read More](#)

## Jerome

By Misty Garren on Thursday, August 29, 2019



Pictured is Rotarian Jerome Dempsey. Jerome was born and raised in Chattanooga, TN by his mother after his father died at a young age, when Jerome was only nine years old. After graduating H.S., Jerome studied Engineering at LSU for 2 years, in Baton Rouge, LA. Afterwards, Jerome worked in the Construction Industry and while working full time managed to finish an Associate's Degree in Civil Engineering Technology at Chattanooga State Community College in 1986. Afterwards, Jerome moved his life to Nashville, TN and began working for a large Engineering Firm. Again, while working full time, he continued his education and received his B.S. Degree in Civil Engineering at TSU in 1992 and a M.S. Degree in Civil Engineering from UT in 1996. In 2004, Jerome opened the doors of Dempsey, Dilling & Associates, P.C. Engineering Consultants. This same year, Jerome joined the Smyrna Rotary Club and held the President term during the 2015-2016 year. Jerome and his wife Teresa Erwin married in 1992 and have a beautiful and smart daughter, Kelsey Dempsey. Kelsey is 24-years old and working as an Architectural Intern and on her Master of Architecture at the University of Washington, both in Seattle. Jerome also has a grown son Brad Miller who resides in Illinois and a 4-year old grandson Braxton. Something that you probably don't know about Jerome is that while working in the Construction field for 8 years, he was responsible for new house builds, agricultural buildings, commercial buildings and remodeling projects. Jerome was a third-generation carpenter and he was taught the trade by his uncles who were taught by his father. The construction experience has been very valuable to Jerome not only for academic purposes but also for his professional life. His personal hobbies include vintage cars, vintage motorcycles, collectibles, traveling, community volunteering and mentoring. Thank you Jerome for your Service with the Smyrna Rotary Club and all you do to give back to our Community! [Read More](#)

## Beth Bio

By Misty Garren on Thursday, August 29, 2019



Pictured is Past-President Rotarian Beth Hackett. Beth was born and raised in Murfreesboro, TN. She attended MTSU and has a Bachelor's degree in Public Relations with minors in Marketing and Psychology. Beth married Stace Hackett around 3 years ago on New Year's Eve! She is step-mom to 2 daughters: Macie Orrand whom is currently in Grad School at Georgia State University and they have a granddaughter Alaina along with Emma Hackett who works at Aspen Dental in Smyrna. Beth is the Resource Development Director for The Boys & Girls Clubs of Rutherford County where she is responsible for Business Development and Fundraising. She has been with The Boys & Girls

Clubs since 2006, which is around the same time that she joined Rotary . Something unique about Beth is that she is a HUGE FAN of The Price is Right. Oh yeah, she even used to schedule her college courses around being able to watch the show in between classes. She absolutely loves cooking, spending time with the family, and going to the lake. Back in 2001, Beth was living life to the fullest working and living in Martha's Vineyard. She decided to go with a friend to New York City to find a place to live and work. Little did they know when they set off on this journey, it would be a day they would never forget. This day was 9/11/2001, they were on a 5am ferry to the city to look at housing when the broker called and said "you might not want to come now, a plane just hit the Trade Center building". She will never forget the decisions that were made due to this event that shook the Nation. After that, she moved to Atlanta for a few years for job opportunities and decided to return her life to Murfreesboro. One fun fact about Beth is that she comes from a long, history of Rotarians. Her grandfather, John Bragg was in Rotary and her dad, Tommy Bragg, started the Breakfast Rotary Club of Murfreesboro. Beth is always faithful to her Community and Serving others. Thank you Beth for your Service with The Rotary Club of Smyrna. [Read More](#)

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