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Rotary Program 10-19-21 Annette Shepherd - Hospice Care

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 18, 2021

Annette Shepherd - Hospice Care



Annette was raised a military brat but, calls Alabama home because she began 1st grade there and graduated from college there! Annette has worked in Hospice for almost 12 years and has served in numerous positions from Volunteer coordinator to Marketer but, has found her true calling as a Hospice Chaplain. Annette believes: ♦ There is nothing more rewarding that to be with patients, family, and friends as they prepare to see Jesus! ♦ The true love of Annette's life is her six children, four children in law, five grandchildren: Jalisha, Isabella, Charlie Grace, Jack, and Juliet. Besides visiting grandbabies, Annette and her husband Tom spend their time enjoying their 30-acre farm in Milner with her Emu's: Jethro and Ellie Mae.

Topic: Tuesday Rotary Meeting: Annette Shepherd - Hospice Care

Time: October 19, 2021 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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October Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, October 1, 2021

October Birthdays

CL Johnson 10/3
Wayne Pugh 10/3
Dale Evans 10/17
Cathy Dobbs 10/24
Terry Ozburn 10/31
Steve Smith 10/31

October Anniversaries

Stuart & Ann Hamilton 10/12

Member Anniversaries

Tracey Clark 17 Years
Stephen Farrell 6 Years
Cathy Laseter 6 Years
Carter Rogers 17 Years



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Rotary Club of Covington Future Programs and events

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 18, 2021

**Meetings are being held at Covington First United Methodist Church at 12:00pm
Zoom Virtual Meeting starts at 12:20 PM**

10-19-2021 - Annette Shepherd - Hospice Care

10-26-2021 - Hunter Hall - Community Business

11-02-2021 - Serra Hall - Economic development

11-09-2021 - Terri Badour - American Red Cross

11-16-2021 - Elaine Cook - Alzheimers

11-23-2021 - Meeting Canceled for Thanksgiving

11-30-2021 - Official visit by District Governor Mike Berg

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Rotary Club of Covington 22nd Annual Sportsman Raffle

By Joseph Davidson on Thursday, September 16, 2021

Birthdays

E. Wayne Pugh
October 3rd

C. L. Johnson
October 3rd

Dale L. Evans
October 17th

Cathy Dobbs
October 24th

Terry Ozburn
October 31st

Stephen C. Smith
October 31st

Wedding Anniversaries

Stuart E. Hamilton
October 12th

Club Member Anniversaries

Tracey Clark
10-05-2004
17 Years

Carter Rogers
10-12-2004
17 Years

Cathy Crenshaw Laseter
10-06-2015
6 Years

Stephen Farrell
10-06-2015
6 Years



22nd Annual Sportsman Raffle

Drawing to be held Tuesday, November 16, 2021

\$20.00 Donation

1st prize: Ruger American 243 Rifle



2nd prize: Beretta A300 Outlander 12 GA Shotgun



3rd prize: Henry Golden Boy .22 Rifle



4th prize: Ruger American 6.5 Creedmoor Rifle



5th prize: Ruger 10/22 Rifle



**** Subject to Federal/State Background requirements****

All proceeds to benefit Covington/Newton County Empty Stocking Fund and other Community Projects

Prizes to be redeemed at Shots Fired, Washington St. Covington, GA.

Drawing to be held Tuesday, November 16, 2021

Rotary Members Brad Bettis for your tickets to sell

See any Rotary Member to purchase raffle tickets

or purchase tickets on our website at www.rotarycovington.org. Use the link on the left bar to go to the Sportsman Raffle on the menu. Direct link to the [Sportsman Raffle](#)

To Pay for Raffle tickets purchased from a Rotary Member Click on this "Add to Cart"

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To Order Raffle tickets click on this "Add to Cart"

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Your tickets will be mailed to you.

Wagoner Rotary Club's Kites for Kids launches family fun

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 18, 2021



Miles Bales and his father enjoy the Wagoner Rotary Club's inaugural event at Dunbar Park

Kites flew and children smiled at the first-ever Kites for Kids put on by the Wagoner Rotary Club on October 16 at Dunbar Park. Rotarians handed out free kites, launching what the civic organization intends to be a semi-annual event in the Fall and Spring.

Rotarians responded by rallying local business support when it was brought to the club's attention that there was a need for a free, family-friendly, outdoor activity.

◆ Kites symbolize the potential for a child to soar. Our hope is that we will continue to see families out in Dunbar Park flying kites together, ◆ Wagoner Rotary President Seth Yoder said.

The Rotary Club of Wagoner thanks these local businesses for donating to the kite purchase: Atlas Land Office, BancFirst, Butler Lawn Service, Candy Depot, Fort Gibson Liquor, Hicks & Johnson Law, Kevin Grover GMC, Mallet Funeral Home, Moore-Lancaster Agency, Oklahoma Graph-X, Paula Templeton, Schalliol's Bar Grill & Lanes, Sweet N Sassy Stitches & More, Wagoner Pest Control, and Wagoner Walmar



Daniel Hummingbird marvels as his kite becomes airborne During the Wagoneer Rotary Club's first ever Kites for Kid event at Dunbar Park.

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Evanston Lighthouse Rotary serves up a zero waste taste of possibility

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 18, 2021



Patrons line up for waffle cones filled with their favorite flavors served by Lighthouse Rotarian Clarence Weaver, owner of C&W Market and Ice Cream Parlor.

Thirty purveyors of Evanston's most delectable food and beverages served up samples of sweet and savory dishes, wines, beers and other brews at the Lighthouse Rotary Club's seventh annual Taste of Evanston last Sunday.

The club has a strategic focus on addressing housing insecurity in Evanston and has designated [Connections for the Homeless](#) and [Reba Place Development Corp.](#) (RPDC) as the two primary beneficiaries of the event.

For three hours on a perfect late-summer afternoon, nearly 400 vaccinated people meandered from table to table, tent to tent, on the lawn of the Evanston History Center's Dawes House. "This year was extraordinarily special to our club because of how long we've all been separated from one another by the pandemic," said Club President Linda Gerber. "We were elated to be able to bring the community together to re-energize our work to help eradicate housing insecurity in Evanston. As a community, we have the opportunity and responsibility to continue the important work of making Evanston a place for all to call home."

Attendees tasted local specialties like Soul and Smoke's macaroni and cheese with pulled pork, walnut shrimp from Koi, tres leches cake by Sweet Temptations or a chunk of Kerrygold cheese served on bread from Hewn. Between bites people sipped samples of rose or white bordeaux from Vinic or the Wine Goddess, ginger turmeric lemonade from Coffee Lab or a beer from Temperance or Sketchbook.

Four hundred people on site, serving and sampling items from 30 different purveyors, could potentially leave a lot of trash, but did not even fill two 95-gallon carts with landfill waste. "The Taste of Evanston planned on zero waste down to the last detail," said Marisa Naujokas. "We spent more money to buy compostable goods to spare the environment and participants were encouraged to reuse their bamboo forks."

Toward the end, attendees were encouraged to take leftovers home rather than let the food be composted. The club also rented the [City's mobile water station](#) to minimize the use of plastic water bottles.

◆Our club was proud to partner with [Collective Resource Compost](#). ◆Naujokas added. There were no trash bins in the tents. Orange compost bins were placed by every table and volunteers circulated continuously, replacing full bins with empty ones. CRC staff sorted the contents into bins for compost, recycling and landfill.

This year◆s event featured many small tents in place of one big tent, allowing participants, purveyors and volunteers to maintain safe distances while enjoying all of the amenities the event had to offer. Many people preferred the new layout, which had the added benefit of improved acoustics.



Maudlyne Ihejirika and Linda Gerber listen as Rotary International President-Elect Jennifer Jones speaks to attendees.

Journalist Maudlyne Ihejirika emceed the event, which included warm welcomes from Club President Gerber and Mayor Daniel Biss and updates from Rotarian Keith Banks of RPDC, Betty Bogg of Connections, and Sue Loellbach of Joining Forces for Affordable Housing, the advocacy arm of Connections. Bogg said that Connections helped over 4,000 people between July 2020 and June 2021, channeling over \$2 million into the community to pay people◆s back rent and utilities, security deposits and mortgages. They also worked in partnership with ◆friendly local hotels to provide shelter to over 300 people, 70 of whom were children in the community,◆ adding that ◆the pandemic has really helped us shine a light on the need for our services.◆

Banks said that RPDC is bidding on a Lot One development that will create 50 more affordable housing units and thanked the club for more than \$50,000 contributed so far, ◆which is helping us pay our architect fees, our consultant fees, our development fees for the current project.◆

Rotary President-elect Jennifer Jones and her husband relocated to Evanston a few weeks ago and have already visited a number of the restaurants participating in the Taste. Jones took a break from her role as volunteer with the composting crew to address participants, saying that Rotary is ◆committed to making sure that this community grows, thrives and is sustainable into the future. We◆re very proud to be part of the fabric of this community and thank you for including us here today.◆

In addition to Rotary International◆s next president, several local organizations provided volunteers to help with the event including [Evanston Latinos](#) and the [Officer and a Gentlemen Academy](#) and, of course, representatives of the two beneficiary organizations.

Milford girls, Lakeland boys win Rotary Trophy

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 18, 2021



Milford seniors are all smiles after accepting the Rotary Trophy after their close win over Lakeland in the rivalry race on October 12 at Lakeland. From left to right: Kenna Morgan, Emmalee Neils, Emma Collison, Elise Elliot, Lily Shaw and Grace McBride.

The annual Huron Valley battle between the Milford and Lakeland cross-country teams for the Rotary Trophy took place at Lakeland on Tuesday, October 12. The rivalry race was held on the new course at Lakeland.

The Rotary Trophy has been awarded to the winning team since 1976 for the boys and since 1977 for the girls.

On the girls◆ side, Milford◆s Jacie Remtema edged Lakeland◆s Mia McDonald to lead the Lady Mavericks for the close 25-32 win (low score wins) to clinch the trophy.

On the boys◆ side, the Eagles, using a strong finish by Alex Sullivan, Jarred Platt, Ty Nagy, Pierce Grzymkowski and Wes Hollowell, clinched the 25-32 victory.

◆That was really fun,◆ said Remtema. ◆I was really glad that I had Mia pushing me. It was really good to just work off of her and work together for the finish. My strategy was to stick with the number one girl and see what I could do to drop her at some

point in the race, adjust to the course and keep my eyes open. Coach said to use our preparation for the meet. It was a close race that came right down to the wire between Lakeland's McDonald and Milford's Remtema. Remtema crossed the finish line just ahead of McDonald for the first-place finish.



Lakeland seniors pick up the Rotary Trophy after their victory over Huron Valley rival Milford on October 12 on their home course. From left to right: Jack Vitick, Isaac Tiernan, Tim Person, Alex Sullivan, Ty Nagy, Wes Hollowell, Nathan Rehm, Hunter Cybulla and Aidan Marco

Milford head coach Brian Salyers praised the Lady Mavericks for picking up the rivalry victory. For the girls we welcomed a couple of runners back into the line-up and that was the difference today. Our girls were a cohesive unit really working well together. They battled to the finish and had enough to come out on top versus Lakeland.

On the boys' side, the Eagles team took third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh place spots to clinch the win 25-32.

Lakeland senior Alex Sullivan was elated to finish third overall to help the Eagles win the Rotary Trophy for the first time in four years. It was a great race, he said. We took it out hard and kept them honest, then our three through five really clutched up and was able to get ahead of their three runners. We took it out hard and we were all in a pack together. We know those two [Ryan and Easton] are really good in the last kilometer. I have had a lot of races with those guys.

It's the camaraderie. This team has lost the last three years. It's been in the making. This is my first win over Milford.

Lakeland head coach Joe Verellen was all smiles after the trophy presentation. It was great from the very beginning. Both schools fought really hard. My guys' plan was to kind of take it out and make sure it didn't come out as a jog like it has the last couple of years where they just beat us up in the last mile. So, they pushed the pace a little bit today and Milford responded right with them. It was a great fight throughout the entire race.



Lakeland senior Thomas Sullivan leads the Eagles.



Milford junior Jacie Remtema leads the pack early in the race as she finishes first.

Our only loss this year was against Northern. It was early and we have built up tons of momentum since then. The guys are running with a lot of confidence, taking on an always tough Milford team. Our seniors are ecstatic since they have never won against Milford.

Next up for Lakeland and Milford is the LVC conference meet on the Possum Hollow course at Kensington Metropark on October 21.

RI President's October Message

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, October 1, 2021



Shekhar Mehta

President 2021-22

October 2021

A quarter of the Rotary year is now behind us. I am sure you are helping Rotary to *grow more* and *do more*. And I hope you have already done your part for the Each One, Bring One initiative by introducing one person to Rotary.

Do you ever think about your earliest days as a Rotarian? I often do because those first moments of discovering the power of service shaped who I am today. When I joined my Rotary club, our efforts focused on India's rural communities, where people were living without toilets, getting their drinking water from the same pond they bathed in, and sending their children to outdoor classrooms set up under a tree. The nearest health care provider often was miles away and the services were inadequate. But after Rotary clubs carried out some service projects, the villages had toilets, clean drinking water, a classroom for early learning, and a nearby health care center.

The spark that Rotary kindled within me forced me to look beyond myself and embrace humanity. It made service a way of life and led me to a guiding principle I still stand by: Service is the rent I pay for the space I occupy on Earth.

If you feel the need to reignite the spark of service in yourself or your club, October Community Economic Development Month is a great time to do so. When we work to improve the lives of people in underserved communities through, for example, projects that provide vocational training and access to financial resources we help build and sustain local economic growth.

The need is great. According to the United Nations, 9 percent of the world's population that's 700 million people, a majority of them in sub-Saharan Africa live on less than \$1.90 a day. By supporting strong community development as well as entrepreneurs, we can help improve conditions for people in that region and others.

Your club can also promote economic development in your own community by expanding vocational training opportunities through local schools and community colleges, partnering with lenders to improve access to financial services, or working with a nonprofit that provides resources to entrepreneurs and connects them with the business community.

Of course, developing strong communities is impossible without strong public health. On 24 October, World Polio Day, we'll celebrate our tremendous progress in the effort to eradicate polio. But we also know the fight is not over. We still need your help raising funds and awareness to ensure that all children are immunized against polio. Please don't forget to activate your clubs on that important day and encourage them to donate here: endpolio.org/world-polio-day.

Service has been rewarding for me throughout my life. I know the same is true for many of you. Join me this month in becoming a good tenant of our planet by helping others to better themselves and their communities. Together, we can *Serve to Change Lives*.

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