

# Rotary

## Club of Westerville Sunrise



CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD

### Club Meeting

Westerville  
Sunrise  
Meets at The Old  
Bag of Nails Pub  
24 N State St Fl  
3  
Westerville, OH  
43081-2119  
Time:  
Wednesday at  
07:15 AM

### Speakers

**March 13,  
2024**

Janet Davis  
Westerville  
Chamber - 50th  
Anniversary  
Music/Arts Fest

**March 20,  
2024**

Dave  
Collinsworth  
and Andy  
Tompkins  
Field of Heroes  
Kickoff

**March 27,  
2024**

Jessica  
Schmidt/Joyce  
Poole  
WARM -  
Sunrise Triple B  
Beneficiary

**April 03, 2024**  
Dr. Thomas A.

Morse  
Finding the  
Balance: A  
Whole-Body  
Approach to  
Health &  
Wellness

### Birthdays

Thomas F.  
Schmitt  
March 12th  
John O'Connor  
March 16th  
Patrick C.  
Kemmer  
March 17th  
James T.  
Gibson

## Happening This Week



**March 13, 2024**

*Program:* 50th Anniversary- Music & Arts Festival  
*Speaker:* Stacey Rusterholtz & Janet Davis

*Greeter:* Anne VanBuskirk  
*Invocation/Pledge:* Paul Kulik

*Rainbow Reflection:* "Watch Over Each Other"

## Save the Date! Upcoming Social and Service Events

By Julie Ann Colley



### Save the Date! Upcoming Events

March 16: WARM Sorting  
March 21: Club Board meeting  
April 13: 30th Anniversary Celebration  
April 18: Club Board meeting  
April 19-21: Rotary District 6690 Conference  
May 24-27: Field of Heroes

## Celebrating our 30th Anniversary

By Angela Sillus



Caldwell  
March 24th  
Michael R.  
McGreevey  
March 26th  
Kyle Stroh  
April 1st  
Katy Tombaugh  
April 3rd  
Richard James  
Mannino  
April 6th  
Heather Linch  
April 9th  
Terry W. Burton  
April 9th

## Years of Service

Tim Bowers  
08-18-1999  
25 Years  
Jason A.  
Buehner  
08-24-2011  
13 Years  
Kathleen Short  
08-27-2014  
10 Years  
Thomas F.  
Schmitt  
08-26-2015  
9 Years  
Anthony Mujic  
08-30-2017  
7 Years  
Dan Hare  
08-28-2019  
5 Years  
Jackie  
Washburn  
08-16-2023  
1 Year  
Jeff Washburn  
08-16-2023  
1 Year  
Kent Currie  
08-16-2023  
1 Year

In April, Westerville Sunrise Rotary will celebrate our 30th Anniversary as a club. To mark this special occasion, we'll be hosting a party on Saturday, April 13, at The Point at Otterbein. Doors open at 6 pm, with our program starting at 7 pm.

The event theme is "Believe", reflecting Rotary International's theme from 30 years ago of "Believe in What You Do" "Do What You Believe in", which we have been doing for the last 30 years and will continue doing!

The cost per person is \$45 and will include a buffet-style meal, 1 drink ticket and an anniversary gift. Plus tons of fun! Please [RSVP](#) by March 28.

If you have pictures that you'd like to share as part of the event slideshow, please forward those to Angela Sillus at [angela.c.sillus@gmail.com](mailto:angela.c.sillus@gmail.com).

If you have any questions, email Mike Herron at [mdherron68@gmail.com](mailto:mdherron68@gmail.com).

## Nominations for 2024 A. Monroe Courtright Volunteer Service Award

By Angela Sillus

Do you know someone who's given exceptional volunteer service to the Westerville community? If so, please consider submitting a nomination for the 2024 A. Monroe Courtright Volunteer Service Award. Presented annually by the Rotary Club of Westerville since 1977, the award recognizes individuals and organizations for outstanding long-term contributions to the betterment of the Westerville community. Last year's honoree was Sunrise Rotarian Dennis Blair.



You can access the nomination form and award criteria via this [link](#). If you have any questions, contact noon club Rotarian John Oleyar at 614-899-2201 or [JOleyar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:JOleyar@sbcglobal.net). Nominations can be submitted either to [CourtrightAward@gmail.com](mailto:CourtrightAward@gmail.com), or directly to John. The deadline for submission is March 17th. The award presentation will take place at the April 25th noon Rotary meeting.

## Service To Youth Award Recipient Honored

By Angela Sillus

On Wednesday, March 6, 2024, the Westerville Sunrise Rotary Club honored **Matt Long**, a teacher from Westerville Central High School, for his outstanding dedication to our local students with a Service to Youth award.





**Matt** provides stepping stones for students to be successful in both college and their career by hosting sessions for essay and resume writing outside of the classroom, as well as weekend AP boot camps. He is a strong role model and pushes students to accomplish what they did not know they could.

In addition to an engraved plaque, Matt received a gift card and box of cookies from Walmart. He, along with our other monthly award recipients, will be invited to a Rotary Club breakfast in May, as well as honored with a flag at The Field of Heroes event Memorial Day Weekend.

## Frontline Medical Ukraine update

By Eugene L. Hollins

Last year we had a presentation from Retired U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Mark Arnold on the Frontline Medical program, developed to assist the Ukrainian Military Medical Academy with training medics serving in the war.

In partnership with Ukrainian Cultural Association of Ohio (UCAO), we were able to send supplies to Ukraine to help with Frontline Medical – including Bombas socks (from our Socktober effort). Black socks will be distributed to medics, and the white socks will be distributed to wives of defenders.



*Ukrainian doctor helping distribute supplies*

UCAO was also able to send \$12k worth of tourniquets, blood clotting bandages, chest tubes, medic shears, and handwarmers. They continue to fundraise and accept donations of medical supplies for Ukraine. More shipments of similar supplies will be made periodically in 2024. You can donate to UCAO’s efforts via their website at [www.ucao.us](http://www.ucao.us).

## Star House Monthly Dinner

By Chris Herbert

Make a difference for homeless youth at Star House by helping prepare or serve a family meal. Westerville Sunrise Rotary, in partnership with our friends in the noon club, hosts a Family Dinner once a month on Mondays. Our remaining Mondays in 2024 will be:



# Star House

- March 18
- April 22
- May 20
- June 24
- July 22
- August 26
- September 23
- October 28
- November 18
- December 16

We need 4 or more people to serve food, and many more to help prepare the meal. Starting in March, we will offer two shifts: 4:00 - 5:30 pm for set up and serving, and 5:00 - 6:30 pm for serving and clean-up. You may sign up for both shifts if you would like.

Please use the sign-up link below to cook or serve family dinner at Star House:

[March 18th](#) - Chili and baked potato bar

## WARM Food Pantry Volunteers - Save the Dates!

By Mary T. Chandler



Rotary volunteers strengthen our community in many ways. One Saturday per quarter we sort and box food at the WARM warehouse at 150 Heatherdown Drive from 10 am to noon. Our scheduled Saturdays in 2024 will be:

- March 16
- June 8
- September 7
- November 9

Please sign up using the Sign Up Genius link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B44ADA729A0F85-47059066-warm>

We invite you to join in on the fellowship and fun. Feel free to invite your family, friends, and prospective Rotarians to join us too. A sign-up website will be available in the coming weeks. For more information, please contact Mary Chandler at (614) 523-0437.

## March Madness to support District Wins for Women project

By Jimmy Hoben



### Westerville Sunrise Rotary â€™ March Madness (Year 4!)

- \$20 per bracket â€™ each person can have up to 2 brackets
- Family members may play too, up to two brackets for each of them.
- 75% of the winnings go to the District 6690 Wins for Women Rotary Project â€™ 25% to winner!

**If you want to play, send a note to:** [jhoben@lehmandaman.com](mailto:jhoben@lehmandaman.com) or text (740) 973-0935

**How to Pay (\$):** Check or Cash â€™ Jimmy Hoben, 4027 Creekwood Drive, Lewis Center, OH

43035 (OR)



Venmo - @Kate-Hoben-1

#### How to Fill in a Bracket:

1. You will get a link from CBS Sports to fill out (OR)
2. Give Jimmy a handwritten bracket at the meeting (OR)
3. Text a picture of it to Jimmy and he will fill out online for you

**DEADLINE: THURSDAY, MARCH 21st @ NOON. Games start that day.**

Past Champions:

2021: Diane Conley and Sam Glaviano (Tied)

2022: Rick Mannino

2023: Doug Fosselman

## Rotary History in Peacebuilding

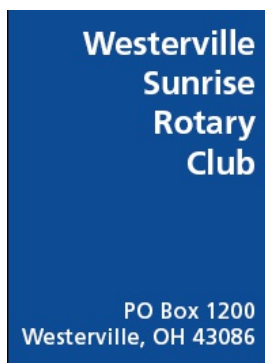
Rotary's work with peacebuilding stretches back to 1914, when the Rotary Club of Hamilton, Ontario proposed that the international association of Rotary lend its influence to the maintenance of peace among the nations. That dedication to peace has stretched throughout the years and is evident in the large efforts of Rotary International through Peace Institutes and Peace Fellow. Our Westerville Sunrise Rotary Club efforts were described by the Peacebuilding committee last week, including the minilibraries and peace poles.



Today, as stated on the Rotary website,

"Rotary's goal today is to create environments where peace can be built and maintained through sustainable and measurable activities in communities worldwide. Peacebuilding remains a cornerstone of our mission as a humanitarian service organization."

If you want to learn more about Rotary's history with Peacebuilding, please click the link: [Rotary- promoting peace](#)



#### Meeting Location

Every Wednesday @ 7:00 am

The Old Bag of Nails Pub  
Third Floor  
24 North State Street  
Westerville, OH 43081

Westerville Sunrise Hotline  
614-523-7777



## Please Suggest Guest Speakers



Enlighten your fellow Rotarians. Suggest a speaker to brighten our day! No reasonable suggestion refused. But your guest must be willing to attend in person. Email Bob Stewart at: [bob@smartbusinesssystems.com](mailto:bob@smartbusinesssystems.com) or Jim Caldwell at [JTCFMS@aol.com](mailto:JTCFMS@aol.com)

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