

Rotary



Club of Carmel GEARBOX Newsletter

Club Meeting

Carmel
Woodland Country Club
Friday at 11:45 AM

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Club Leaders

Supt Oestreich Presents the State and Future of Carmel Schools

Dr. Thomas Oestreich, Superintendent of Carmel Clay Schools, shared updates about the school district, its strategic plan, and the future of Carmel schools at the Carmel Rotary Club meeting held 2/20/26. Dr. Oestreich commended Carmel Rotary Club for participating in the district's strategic planning process last year, shaping future goals for student achievement, educator support, and preparing students for a broad spectrum of future careers. He highlighted the many factors contributing to Carmel schools' top-ratings and excellence in scholastic achievement, career development, sports, student accomplishments, and public support. Dr. Oestreich answered many questions from club members. Following the spirited Q & A with club members, he thanked the club for its legacy of service to Carmel.

Following Dr. Oestreich's presentation, club member Tammy Haney presented books about a little dinosaur's first day "oopsies" for Dr. Oestreich to autograph. The Club will then present the books to Carmel elementary schools.





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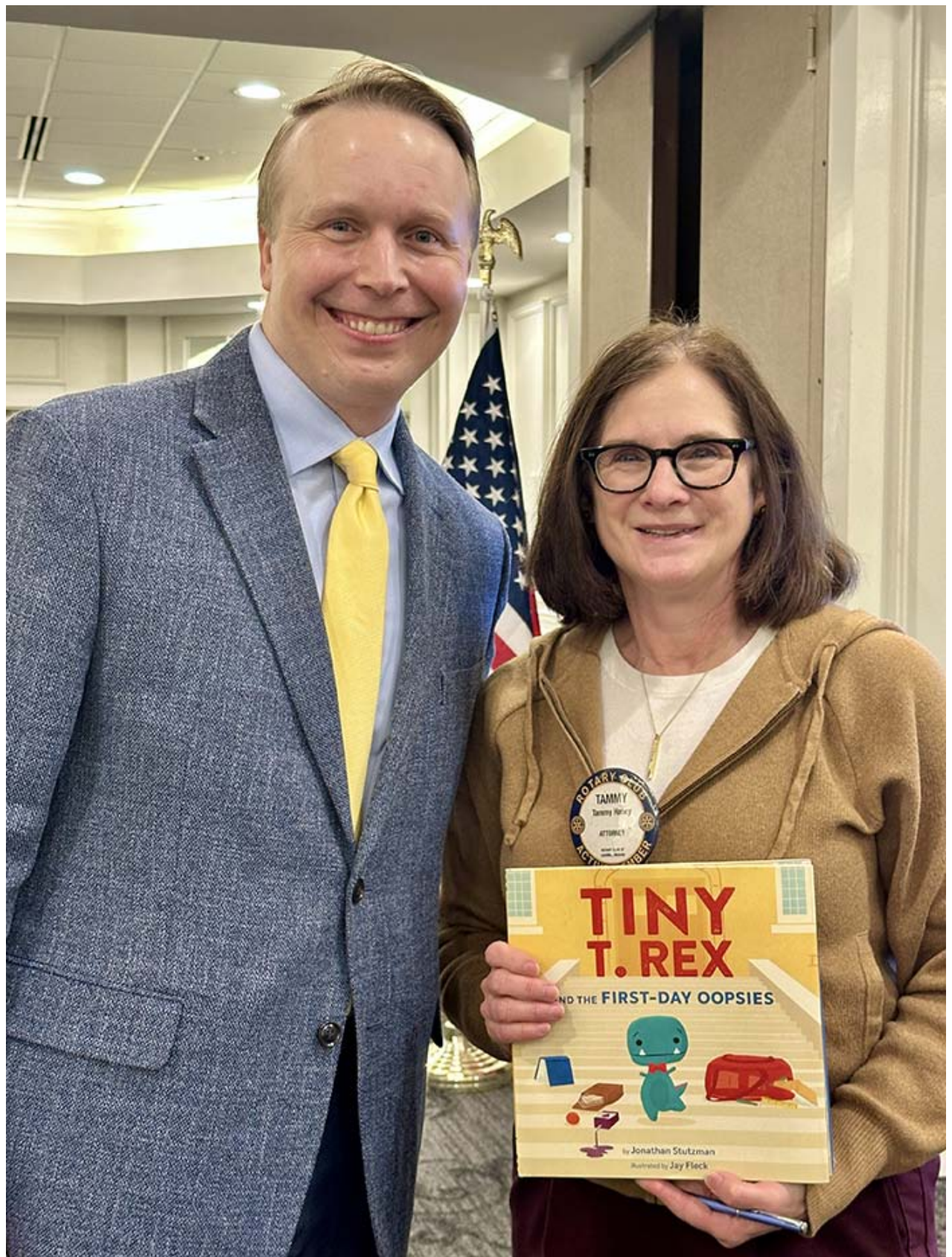


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*Pic 1: Carmel Clay Schools Superintendent Dr. Tom Oestreich reviews strategic plans
Pic 2: Tom Oestreich and Rotarian Tammy Haney*

RYLA is back for 2026!

The Rotary Club of Carmel will be selecting several students to attend. This opportunity is open to current sophomores and juniors.
[Application Link](#)



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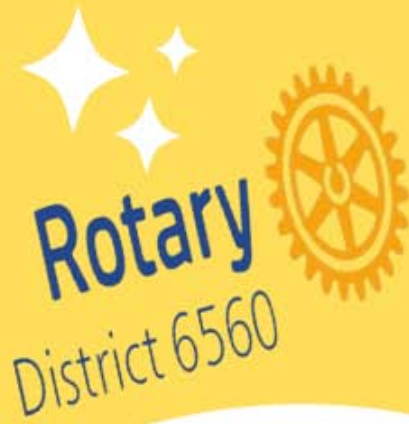


Lyra Lee
Club Social Chair



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Deadline March 6



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary clubs and districts where youth develop skills as a leader while having fun and making connections.

RYLA

Leadership Camp

March 27-29, 2026 | Camp Tecumseh

Selected students will be notified by Friday, March 13th

Sponsored by - Rotary Club of Carmel
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Dr. Lindsay Weaver joined ISDH as chief medical officer on February 3, 2020. She brings to the role a passion for both emergency medicine and end-of-life care. Dr. Weaver is an assistant professor of clinical emergency medicine at the Indiana University School of Medicine and practices emergency medicine at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. She is board certified in both emergency medicine and hospice and palliative care medicine. She earned her undergraduate degree in biology at the University of Kentucky and graduated from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. She received residency training in emergency medicine and fellowship training in hospice and palliative medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine, and she completed a fellowship in ethics at the Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics at Indiana University Health. She has served as quality director for the department of emergency medicine and physician lead for the system sepsis steering committee at IU Health. She also served as executive director for the Indiana Patient Preference Coalition and as president of the Indiana Chapter of the American College of Emergency Medicine Physicians. Dr. Weaver and her husband have five daughters.

Congrats to the Club's Seven New Members

At its meeting held February 20-, 2026, Carmel Rotary Club inducted seven new members. The ceremony included remarks by Club President Doug Willard and Membership Committee Member Judy Ford. New member sponsors Ginny Terpening, Monica Frauhiger, Louise Jackson, and Vice President Nancy Heck presented the inductees with their pins, certificates, and badges. The inductees – Julie Eckert, Erin Husband, Ethan McAndrews, Meg Osborne, Brad Osborne, Miles Oden, and Nolan Schloneger, then introduced themselves and thanked the club and their sponsors.



Pictured L to R: Ginny Terpening, Nolan Schloneger, Louise Jackson, Miles Oden, Monica Frauhiger, Ethan McAndrews, Judy Ford, Erin Husband, Pres Doug Willard, Julie Eckert, Meg Osborne, Brad Osborne, VP Nancy Heck

Leadership Connection 2026: Wine, Leadership, and Opportunity

This Friday, fourteen Carmel Rotarians will leave the meeting with a bottle of wine—thanks to a generous challenge from Rick Markoff—when they pledge to sponsor two students for this fall's Leadership Connection.

Rick has set a goal of raising **\$5,000 in student support** for Leadership Connection 2026–27. Sponsorship levels are simple: **\$70 supports one student** and **\$140 supports two**. To launch the effort, Rick is offering **14 bottles of wine (a \$200 value)** to the first fourteen Rotarians who commit to sponsoring two students at the **Friday, February 27 meeting** and complete their payment by **May 1, 2026**.

There's more: among the first **50 Rotarians who submit payment** for at least one student by

May 1, **three will be selected** in early May to join us as special guests for **Lunch with a Leader on November 5** at the Carmel Clay Public Library.



Don't forget—**Rotary Legacies** are eligible to attend Leadership Connection. If you have children or grandchildren who are juniors or seniors in high schools across the greater Carmel/Indianapolis area, they qualify.

Unable to attend on February 27 but want to participate? Email Rick at **Rimark5@msn.com** with your pledge by **midnight on Thursday, February 26**.

Leadership Connection 2026 will welcome **at least 180 students** from Carmel and Indianapolis high schools. And with Louise Jackson serving as chair, it promises to be the biggest and best program yet.

Rotary Family Event- Ignite Volleyball

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Club of Carmel
Rotary Family Fun Night!



IGNITE VOLLEYBALL SUITE EXPERIENCE!!!

Fishers Event Center
11000 Stock-Dale Street, Fishers, IN 46037

Friday May 1st @7pm

Cost: \$55.95 per person
(Includes Ticket, Food & On Court Flag Experience)

<https://square.link/u/Oz5tsRtv>

Parking is available at Fishers Event Center for General \$10 & VIP \$20



Rotary Dinosaurs

The Piccolo brothers dropped by Peter Beering's Paleontology lab this week to weld dinosaurs bid on at the Christmas Luncheon. The various dinosaurs raised over \$2500 for the global grants fund.



March 13th Speaker is Shelley Raper



Shelley Raper serves as the Corporate Relations Manager at Brooke's Place. In this role, she is responsible for identifying new corporate partners and deepening engagement with current corporate supporters.

Prior to joining Brooke's Place in April 2025, Shelley's career spanned the financial services, nonprofit, and communications technology sectors. She also spent 13 years in the sports industry, specializing in marketing, sponsorships, premium suite sales, event operations, and volunteer management.

Shelley holds a B.S. degree from the Indiana University Kelley School of Business. Her community leadership experience includes serving on the Indiana University Alumni Association Board of Managers and as the Board Chair for We R Richmond Scholarships. She resides in Fishers, Indiana.

Check Request Form

<https://forms.gle/WnHuUVemxDZGdiwe6>

Rotary Members - Are You New to DACdb?

DACdb is the database that houses details for Carmel Rotarians, the Carmel club, and District 6560. If you are new to DACdb or need a refresher, then go to the newly created link titled 'How to's on DACdb' on the website's left navigation bar, under Club Links.

From here you can learn how to:

- Login
- Change Your Password
- Update Your Contact Information
- Enter a Make Up

***If you have previously logged into DACdb but don't remember your password, then contact Andrea Rice to have your password reset. You can directly email her by clicking on the 'Member Directory' link on the left navigation bar of the website. Once the page opens, scroll to Andrea's name and click on it. Fill out the requested information, including a note to reset your password. Click 'Send Mail'.

Important Links

[Carmel Rotary Website](#)

[District 6560 Website](#)

[Carmel Rotary Facebook Page](#)

[Rotary International Website](#)

Carmel Rotary Zoom Link

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87091303825?pwd=ZjBGekNaYkkzTOVZdnhDYjhidUtsQT09>

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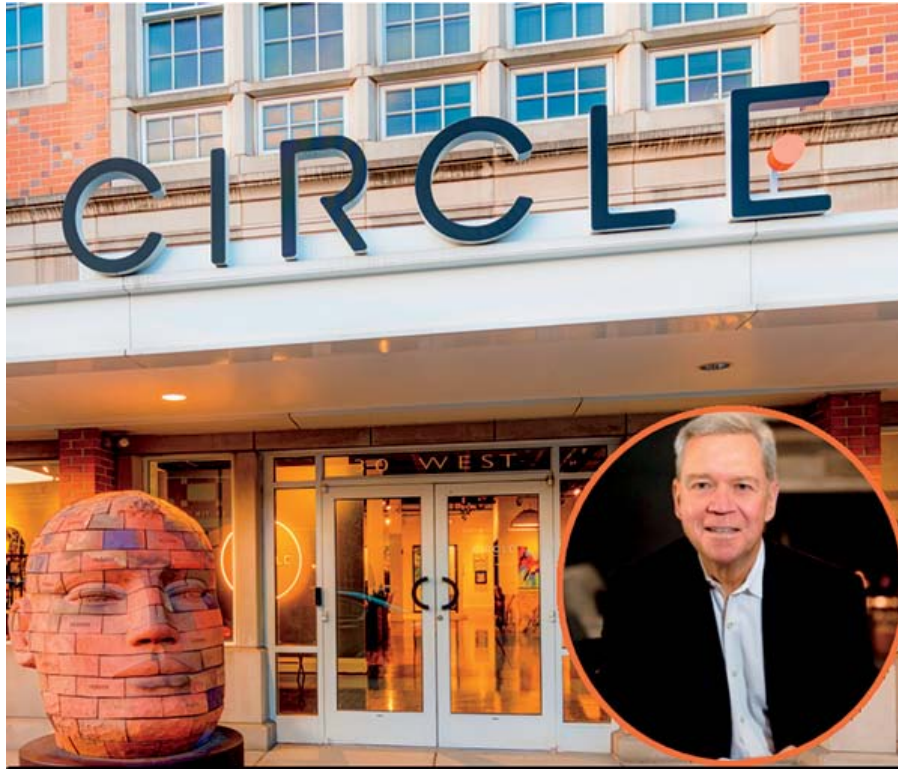
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Club Member Anniversaries



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37 Years



[Kumiko K. Brunson](#)
25 Years



[Kim Gaskill](#)
21 Years



[Richard M. Markoff](#)
9 Years



[Kwan Hui](#)
8 Years



[Robert Wright Swanay](#)
8 Years



[Susie Steel](#)
6 Years



[Lynda Pitz](#)
3 Years



[Jess A. Lawhead](#)
2 Years



[Nam Mokwunye](#)
2 Years



[Carol Applegate](#)
0 Years

Birthdays

[Elizabeth Hamilton](#)

February 26th

[Lyra Lee](#)

March 2nd

[Sarah Luedtke](#)

March 7th

[Judith F. Hagan](#)

March 14th

[Amanda Massey](#)

March 25th

[James H. Tannehill](#)

February 29th

[David Haboush](#)

March 5th

[Mika L. Takahashi](#)

March 12th

[Erika Steele](#)

March 21st

[Lyndsey M. Brown](#)

March 2nd

[Judith A. Ford](#)

March 6th

[Chris Hawkins](#)

March 14th

[Timothy A. Flint](#)

March 25th

Wedding Anniversaries

[Natalie O'Hara](#)

March 5th