



CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

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Birthdays



Thomas W. Kemp
March 5th



Merle F. Wilberding
March 8th



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March 8th

Speakers

March 04, 2024
[Jonathan McNeal, Manager, The NEON](#)
Oscars Preview

March 11, 2024
[Ed Tomme, BETA Technologies](#)

March 18, 2024
[Michael Vanderburgh, Executive Director](#)
St. Vincent de Paul Society

March 25, 2024
TBD

April 01, 2024
[Rotary on the Road](#)

April 08, 2024
[Chief Justice Sharon Kennedy](#)
Supreme Court of Ohio

President's Message



One of the committees that has been more active in the past year than previously is the PR/Marketing committee. Working with the Membership Recruitment committee led by Adam Horseman, this group of committed Rotarians has really stepped up and helped put together a plan for creating awareness of and increasing membership in the Rotary Club of Dayton. Special thanks to Chuck Vella for jumping in and leading this group and providing many donated hours of guidance and expertise. And to Scott Kayser, Alexis Larsen, Karen Hesser, Rachel Jessup and David Bowman for making slow and steady progress on this huge effort.

We now have our key messages developed and approved which will guide us as we fine-tune the communication plan, goals and objectives.

Here's what we've got so far:

As one of the largest and most active service clubs in the area, the Rotary Club of Dayton provides three key benefits to its members and the greater Dayton community.

- Dayton Rotary members care deeply about our community and act to make greater Dayton better for all of its residents. Rotary members are philanthropic, providing on-going financial support to non-profit organizations that are working to improve the lives of Daytonians. They also provide direct support as volunteers for a variety of organizations. Dayton Rotary members give of their time, talent and treasure. They are at the very heart of the community.
- Dayton Rotary meetings are the forum for the region, consistently offering some of the best-informed and best-qualified speakers each week. Rotary's speakers offer critical perspective, the latest insight, and solutions for improving our region and our nation. They inform membership on a broad array of topics including cultural trends, economic development, social services, government, the arts, science and technology, and business.
- Membership in Dayton Rotary provides opportunities for connection to our community's leaders from virtually every discipline. Rotary members are open, inclusive of all, and offer encouragement and support to others. Membership in the Rotary Club of Dayton also provides a vital networking forum for individuals, business executives, and leaders of non-profit organizations. Networking often helps individuals develop relationships and those relationships often evolve into close friendships.

We are now developing a plan to communicate these messages more widely in our community, to create awareness of who we are and what we do, and to increase membership in the club.

Speaking of **creating awareness and attracting new members**, the special events committee, led by Chas Woodhull, is working very hard on our club's first ever special event, **SummerFest 2024**, scheduled for Saturday, September 21. This family-friendly event will be held at the Levitt Pavilion and will include local entertainment/music, food trucks, beer and wine sales, and much more. The committee is building momentum and is looking for event sponsors and would love to hear from you if you want more information. Contact Chas at 937-435-1234 or chas@gallagher-pool.com. This will definitely be an entire club effort and we'll need all of our members to give of their time and talent to make this event fun and successful. Stay tuned!

See you next Monday!

Kim

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This Week at Rotary

MONDAY, March 4, 2024

"Oscars Preview"



In what has become an annual event, Neon Manager Jonathan McNeal will share his insights on this year's Oscar nominees, sharing historical data and trends with his predictions of the winners.

Chair of the Day: Lisa Grigsby

This Happened Last Monday...

Kim Bramlage called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm. Fran Rickenbach presented Words to Live By: *"Glimmer is the moments in time that make you feel happy and once you train your brain to look for these Glimmers they will appear more and more"*

Bill Nance provided the invocation and message about cyber crimes being on the rise and how more than 99% of those who are caught are rarely

April 15, 2024

[Jeff Hoagland,](#)
[Dayton Development](#)
[Coalition](#)

April 22, 2024

[Red Ribbon Takeover](#)
[Meeting](#)

April 29, 2024

[Dean Alexander](#)
[Antarctica Travels](#)

May 06, 2024

[Nick Bowman](#)
[Warped Wing](#)
[Brewery](#)

May 13, 2024

[Chief Porter](#)
[Memorial Site](#)

May 20, 2024

[TBD](#)

May 27, 2024

[NO MEETING -](#)
[MEMORIAL DAY](#)
[HOLIDAY](#)

June 03, 2024

[Sue Edwards,](#)
[President WSU &](#)
[Michael Riordan,](#)
[President & CEO,](#)
[Premier Health](#)
[A University Hospital](#)

June 10, 2024

[Fred Abrams and](#)
[Diane Welborn](#)
[Report on the](#)
[International Project](#)
[in Ecuador](#)

June 17, 2024

[Team of Artists](#)
[Creating the Oregon](#)
[District 8/4 Memorial](#)

June 24, 2024

[Kim Bramlage &](#)
[Randy Domigan](#)
[Changing of the](#)
[Rotary Guard](#)

prosecuted. Also, several big businesses such as Walmart, Chevron, Starbucks and T-Mobile are monitoring employee chats who work from home to monitor employee dissatisfaction and safety risks. Bill then gave a Day \$25 for the passing of Steve Kirk.

Evelyn Davidson announced today's guests:
Nicole Sturkk hosted Keith Poynter who also submitted his application to join Dayton Rotary
Jeff Schiavone hosted Daniella Brill
Georgie Woessner hosted Shelly Davies
Kim Bramlage hosted Assistant District Governor Roger Sloan
Zoom Guests: Tom Carlisle

Secretary Announcements by Sarah Hippensteel Hall
Fun Water Fact "The Rotary float in the Rose Bowl Parade was Clean Water The Music of Life and won an award!

Rotarian Birthdays: Brian Martin 2/26; Chuck Vella 2/24; Richard Meyer 2/24

Reminder about Rotary Wine Tasting Wine Day on 3/14/24 at Joui Bar at 5:30 pm

Frank Scott presented to the group about the District Bed Build Day on April 13 with the objective of building 200 beds. Need volunteers for 2 shifts **9:30-noon and 12:30 - 3:00**; please bring bedding for the 200 beds.

Rotary Rewards For bringing guests: Joanna McCord and 2 others whose names were not announced.

Day-Tens : Chris Corba \$100 for League of Women Voters programming coming up March 11 and 20
Brian Martin \$200 for his birthday toward Paul Harris
Chuck Watts \$200 in recognition of his granddaughter passing away and thanks for the outpouring of support for his family from Rotary.
Richard Meyer \$100 for his 74th birthday
Chuck Vella \$100 for his birthday toward Paul Harris
Chas Woodhull \$100 for his dog Duke
Sue Taylor \$100 as yet unrevealed Red Ribbon Project - kick off on March 18th
Linda Groover \$100 for Paul Harris for her wedding engagement
Diane Welborn \$10 for her job promotion

President's Time

"The demographics of our Rotary Club do not offer many engagements" Congratulations to Linda Groover. Kim then announced Rotary on the Road on April 1st. We will be meeting at a businesses of several of our Rotary members. Kim then called on Bill Nance for a member spotlight with Ann Crichton. Bill spoke with Ann Crichton about her community outreach program with Dayton Metro Public Libraries which is making the community aware of all the resources libraries now offer.

President Kim Bramlage introduced, chair of the day, Lisa Grigsby and a panel of restaurateurs; Kelley Andary - Blue Berry Cafe; Bill Castro - El Meson; Chris Dimmick- Sueno/Tender Mercy



Program: Changes in the Restaurant Industry

The effects of COVID on the industry have forced pricing increases in food, labor, utilities and even credit card fees. Dealing with a generation of staff that was told to stay home for 2 years has created a decline in work ethic. Because people became used to take-out and eating at home some restaurants needed to improve or create their take-out business, including making foods that travel well. Due to spacing restrictions, once the places began to reopen, restaurants lost seating capacity. Staffing has been a challenge and it became necessary to hire and train staff as though they had never cooked before and some hires had never worked in a restaurant before, so the training was thorough but no bad habits to retrain; we can mold people with strong work ethics. Patrons can help by showing up, supporting local restaurants and spreading the word.

Queen of Hearts

The number today was drawn by panelist Chris Demick; the winner number ends in 844 and the winner is Kelly Lehman who did not draw the Queen of Hearts.

Our next meeting is on March 4th. The Four Way Test was led by Richard Meyer and the meeting adjourned at 1:12 pm

Link for [Meeting Recording](#)

Queen of Hearts Drawing

Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle

We had a winner on January 22nd so we started a new deck of cards and new pot this week. Thanks to the Foundation for seeding the pot with \$500 rather than starting at \$0.

Weekly at Monday Meetings to benefit the Dayton Rotary Foundation

\$1 per ticket/\$5 for 6 tickets

Weekly winner draws a card from the deck if they draw the Queen of Hearts the winner takes 1/2 the pot. If the card is not the Queen of Hearts card then the card is destroyed & we try again next week. Meanwhile the pot continues to grow



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CURRENT POT: \$865

See Secretary Sarah or Laura for more information.

ATTENTION ZOOM PARTICIPANTS

****For those members who would like to participate via zoom - please let Laura know ahead of time or place your request in the chat prior to the start of the meeting and we will assign you ticket numbers and bill your foundation account.



RULES FOR THIS ROUND

- You must be present to win and/or purchase tickets (either in person or on zoom)
- The drawing is for members of the Dayton Rotary only.
- The winner will need to complete a W-9 form and will be issued a W2-G form.
- The drawing will go to the very last card.

Our Sympathy



Our sympathy to Rotarian Cindy Garner on the recent passing of her father. If you would like to send Cindy a note of sympathy, you may do so to: 1150 Oakwood Avenue 45419.

Book Club Set Their Books for 2024

According to Penny Wolff, the book club had an exuberant evening of good food and conversation at the Lehman's house on February 13th. Annie Foos introduced the group to Raclette, a new and different experience to our cheese journey.

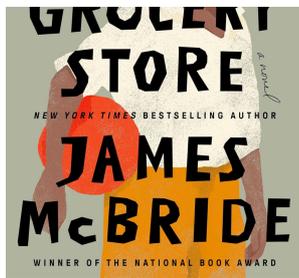
As a step back, Joe and Kelly Lehman hosted the first book club meeting at their previous home on September 14, 2016. We thank them for hosting us again at their beautiful, historic home.

We also thank Penny for leading the discussion and creating a list of books to read for our next meetings.

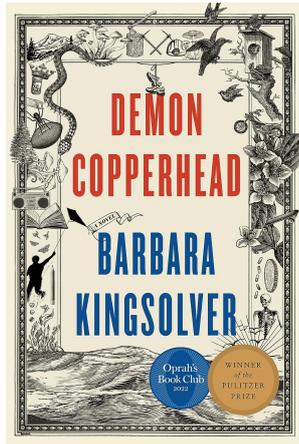
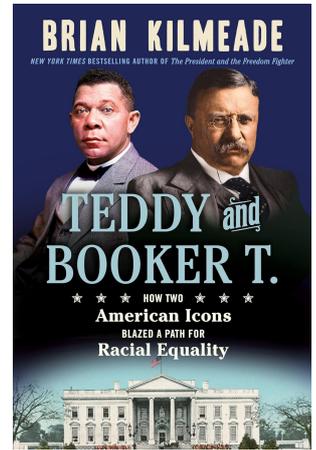
The next four books are:



4/9/24, ***The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store***, A Novel by James McBride, hosted by Bill and Penny Wolff at their new home.

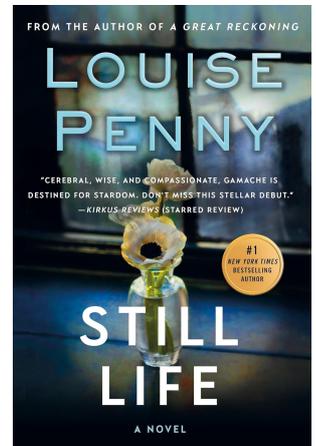


6/11/24, *Teddy & Booker T. : How Two American Icons Blazed a Path for Racial Equality* by Brian Kilmeade



8/13/24, *Demon Copperhead*, A Novel by Barbara Kingsolver

10/8/24, *Still Life* (Book 1 of 19) Chief Inspector Gamache Mysteries by Louise Penny.



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Social Committee Presents...Wine Tasting at Joui

Rotary Wine Tasting



@ **Joui Wine Bar**

117 East Third Street

Hosted by: *Lauren Gay, Owner and
Level 2 Sommelier*

Thursday, March 14th

5:30 P.M.

\$45 per person

**includes wine (4 pours),
discussion and charcuterie*

Rotarians and Guests/Spouses Welcome



Limited to 20 people so Reserve Now
RSVP to Laura laura@daytonrotary.com

Rotary District 6670 Bed Build for Sleep in Heavenly Peace



SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE... HELPING CHILDREN IN NEED SLEEP BETTER

We fully believe that a bed is a basic need for the proper physical, emotional, and mental support that a child needs. When it was brought to our attention that the need for beds went far beyond our own neighborhoods, we stepped up and took initiative. [Weâ€™re a national organization answering the call to a national problem.](#)

All children deserve a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads. In Idaho and across the U.S., too many boys and girls go without a bed or even a pillow to sleep on. These children end up sleeping on couches, blankets, and even floors. This can affect their happiness and health.

*Thatâ€™s where Sleep in Heavenly Peace comes in. Weâ€™re a group of volunteers dedicated to building, assembling and delivering top-notch bunk beds to children and families in need. Our organization has grown steadily over time, and weâ€™re working on opening more chapters in different states to serve more people. **NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!***

DISTRICT 6670 ROTARY CLUBS WILL COME TOGETHER TO BUILD BEDS FOR KIDS IN NEED

**April 13th
9:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

@

The Hamilton County Fairgrounds
7801 Anthony Wayne Avenue, Cincinnati 45216

There are two shifts with separate sign-ups for each.
These include the SIHP waiver. Links are immediately below.

<https://x.gdn.io/e/yWSAB8uNHb> **First Shift 9:30 to Noon**

BEDDING DRIVE

In addition, bedding is needed for these children. Twin-sized sheet sets and comforters. Volunteers are encouraged to bring along bedding.

And if you can't volunteer to build beds that day we ask you to please consider purchasing twin-sized children's bedding sets to donate to the cause.



You may bring your bedding to any Rotary meeting between now and April 13th



On Our Sleeves - Kindness Kits

The following is regarding a District 6670 Wide Project that all clubs have been asked to participate in.



Help us fill classrooms with kindness! Would you consider giving \$25 or more to help send a kindness kit to a classroom in the U.S.?

Our friends at [On Our Sleeves](#), The Movement for Children's Mental Health know the importance of teaching kindness to kids. Children's mental health benefits from positive social connections and the opposite is also true; children who experience bullying, exclusion and isolation are at risk for mental health concerns.

That's why they designed a custom kindness kit for teachers to use in their classrooms. Thanks to generous donors, these kits are free to teachers who request them.

On Our Sleeves has received over 3,600 requests from schools in 47 states and we would love to

help fill them!

Each Kindness Kit includes:

- Kindness Curriculum "to help teachers build a more inclusive and welcoming classroom community
- Classroom poster
- 30 On Our Sleeves pencils
- 30 Kindness Cards "to help children write kind notes to others because we know that expressing gratitude is good for mental health
- A teacher gift to show appreciation for the work that they do

For a gift of just \$25, you can provide these resources for one elementary classroom.

Together, we can help spread kindness and make a positive impact on children's mental health.

[Donate a Kindness Kit today!](#)

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