



### Club Leaders

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-  **William R. Nance**  
May 21st
-  **Jacquelyn Y. Powell**  
May 22nd
-  **Stephen A. Rubenstein**  
May 24th
-  **Patrick John Nugent**  
May 26th
-  **Frank L. Gilland II**  
May 26th
-  **Walter H. Rice**  
May 27th
-  **Susan M. Hayes**  
May 29th

### Speakers

## President's Message



The new-this-year special event committee, led by Chas Woodhull, has been working hard behind the scenes to put together our Club's first-ever SUMMERFEST event for this September 21.

Here's the background and info on how we got to this point;

As you have heard me say many times, the membership of our club has changed over the years and now reflects the make-up of the business community in more diverse ways. For many years, our membership was made up of leaders from big for-profit companies like NCR and others. Funding for our Foundation used to come solely from the members of the Club, and many of those members had deep pockets. Our members, and the big for-profit companies in the Dayton area, financially supported the Foundation on a very large scale for many years. This is how and why our Dayton Rotary Foundation currently has assets of \$900,000 in its endowment and is able to give up to 4% of the assets to provide grants to local non-profits. Annually, we are able to use our endowment payout along with the generosity of our current members. Each year we are able to donate approximately \$50,000 to local non-profit organizations and support other important projects.

As the membership of the Club has changed, however, we want to look at additional ways to continue funding the Foundation in the future. Our club is now made up of some corporate members as well as many non-profits, small business owners, and people from the community that may be retired or just beginning their careers. The Foundation will need to begin looking to other funding sources in the future, beyond our own Rotarian members who may not have the same deep pockets as former members did.

This type of special event, (similar in concept to Oakwood Rotary's That Day in May), with the potential to grow and expand into a true fundraising event, is one way that we feel we can do something unique in Dayton that's raising support from the Community and for the Community. The idea is to increase awareness of our club, the Dayton Rotary Foundation and eventually gain new members AND raise funds from others, not just our own members.

Coincidentally, the City of Dayton recently decided not to host the three music festivals as they've done in past years. The opportunity for US to provide a fun, family-friendly music event for the community seems meant to be. With the help of Lisa Wagner at the Levitt Pavilion, and the other committee members, we are thrilled to have commitments from three well-known local groups who will draw fans from diverse areas of the community. And, this gives our Club a chance to share our story and mission with the folks that still think Dayton Rotary an old, men-only group and those who have no idea at all what our Rotary Club of Dayton is all about.

All of this to say **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! Make plans to volunteer on September 21! Tell your family and friends to Save-the-Date!** While we may not make a huge amount of money for the Foundation our first year, the goal is to at-least do a friend-raiser and turn it into a FUNdraiser in future years.

We will need all of our members to get involved **sell raffle tickets day-of, sponsor the event at one of the various sponsorship levels, set up a booth or table to tell the community about your organization** regardless of your capacity to help, we are eager to get support from every Dayton Rotarian in some way!

**Thank you to the committee for their efforts so far! I have a great feeling about Summerfest 2024, Presented by Rotary Club of Dayton!**

Thanks,  
Kim

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## This Week at Rotary

**MONDAY, May 20, 2024**  
**"When You Give it all You've Got Nothing to Lose"**

**May 20, 2024**

[Wes Hartshorn](#)  
The Silos

**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**

[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



Wes Hartshorn will discuss the long vision it takes to develop and make change in a neighborhood. His experience of developing abandoned houses in Dayton over the last 15 years proves his dedication to having a long vision and seeing it through. His current project is the Silos development - 1.5 acres of downtown Dayton with an initial investment of \$2.7 million. With another \$5 million over the next 3 years. He bought the land, abated issues and cleared the environmental process to attract investment, all this with his personal money not knowing if it would work. An initial investment of \$600,000. Expanding on this thought is to meld the feel-good motivation with the pragmatic approach of angel investing in Real Estate development.

Chair of the Day: Lisa Grigsby

## This Happened Last Monday...

President Kim Bramlage called the meeting to order at 12:15. Fran Rickenbach shared Words to Live By with pictures and discussion around no till farming and the benefits for the environment. Perhaps during this time of year, we should consider the tilling of our lives. She led the Pledge of Allegiance. Bill Nance shared News of the Day highlighting a Rotary Club in Mexico that fed 150 children and a man in Texas that broke into a house and the police found him taking a relaxing bath! He didn't make a clean get away (ahhhh)

Rachel Jessup introduced the guest of the day:

- Dona Vella hosted Ken Betz, a guest of the speaker
- Ginger Clark joined us from Centerville
- Tom Carlisle visited us on Zoom and shared his 85 hat he got for his birthday

Secretary Sarah Hippensteel-Hall reminded everyone that Rotary Dines out is going to Jimmy's Italian Cuisine (previously Franco's) on May

23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30. Let Laura know if you want to attend. Spouses and guests are welcome. Save the Date for the Year-End Presidential Gala at the Dayton Art Institute at 5:30. Let Laura know if you are interested. Rotary Rewards to John Lyman for showing up at a peace walk even with a hurt ankle. John Lyman reminded everyone this week the Peace walk is Wednesday at 6 pm at Weegerztn Gardens Metro Park

Day Tens:

- Karla Garret Harshaw gave a Day-100 for the two great presentations today.
- Kelly Lehman noted she was been selected for additional training and will learn new ideas to promote the 8 pillars of peace. Congratulations to Kelly for being selected as a Positive Peace Activator.

Kim Bramlage asked Frank Scott to remove Matt Jessup's red ribbon- Congratulations Matt for accomplishing all of those Red Ribbon tasks.

President Kim introduced Andrea Wall, Cathy Gardner and Kelly Lehman who worked on the Youth Peace events. They shared that the District Peace Initiative is collaborating with NCCJ. NCCJ has expanded their mission in the last few years to all sorts of areas with a goal to eliminate bias, bigotry and discrimination in the area. The program has been targeting high school students. In March, 80 students attended a session. In April there was another day with part of the day, a tour of the American Journey, the black experience in America done by Michael Carter and it is located at Sinclair. In the afternoon, the students were at the Peace Museum and they are making a mosaic that will be a peace pillar. Mark your calendar for October 22 as the students will be at Wright State. Volunteers will be needed. The District funded this project with 8,000 this year and has only designated 3,000 next year so the Dayton Club or Foundation could be a source of support for next year.

#### Speaker

Karla Garrett Harshaw noted two presentations today, both monuments recognizing heroes in our community. She introduced Chief Porter who has served 27 years on the force and became Chief of Butler Township in September 2016. Also present were Ken Betz, Miami Valley Crime Lab and Chief Althause, Vandalia Police Chief.

Chief Porter shared a video and information about a Montgomery County Law Enforcement Memorial. The group was formed in 2007 and they have three focus areas; an annual event to honor the fallen officers, 6 scholarships a year, support for families and other officers and to build a memorial to honor the 48 local officers that have died in the line of duty. A site has been identified at 601 Riverside, by the Masonic Temple. The project is estimated to cost 1.7 million. A design has been created. Chief Porter shared a flyer with a picture of the proposed memorial and information. Donations can be made and details can be found at [mcmemorial.com](http://mcmemorial.com)

Karla Garrett-Harshaw talked about a memorial to honor the 40 Medal of Honor folks from Montgomery County and contiguous counties. The Wright Dunbar group has made this a special focus area because they want to honor those that have received this highest honor and Dayton is a city with ties to the military. They have a location at Edwin C Moses and Third St and this would be the gateway to the Wright-Dunbar neighborhood. The WW1 and 2 Gold Star Mother's Memorials would be there as well. Cost of the Project is estimated to be 1.5 million and they have raised 1.1 million. The Veteran's Service Commission in Montgomery and Miami County, the City of Dayton, the Montgomery County Commissioners and local Foundations and donors have contributed. The Park will be named, Honor Park. The project is on course to be finished in the Spring of 2025. A pamphlet and information was shared. Donations can be made at the Dayton Foundation. Contact Karla for more information.

Chuck Vella had the winning ticket for the Queen of Hearts, again. But no luck!

Next week's program is Wes Hartshorn, Real Estate Angel Investor who will talk about The Silos development. This is by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Market. Ginger Clark led the group in the 4-way test. The meeting was adjourned.

[Link for Meeting Recording](#)

## Queen of Hearts Drawing

Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle

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 ½ 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.

**CURRENT POT: \$1423**

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.

## Upcoming Peace Walks

### Upcoming Dayton Rotary Peace Committee Peace Walk



These walks will take place at **various Five Rivers MetroParks**. The goal is to build relationships, get out in nature, and have some fun all at the same time. No need to sign up in advance—just show up if you want to participate. As long as two people show up, the walk is a go.

Next **Wednesday, May 22nd @ 6pm**, we will begin our walk at **Eastwood MetroPark 1385 Harshman Road**

*Use your own judgment regarding the weather.*

**Bring a partner—friends, family, spouse, children. All are welcome!**

## Book Club Visits Erma Bombeck Exhibit



Members of the Rotary Book Club visited the University of Dayton Roesch Library on Tuesday, May 14th. The library hosting the Beyond the Byline, The Erma Bombeck Story through July 26th



## Rotary Dines Out at Jimmy' Italian

# Rotary Dines Out



824 East Fifth Street



**Thursday, May 23rd @ 5:30 PM**

***Join Your Fellow Rotarians for an Evening  
of Good Food and Fellowship.***



We will be ordering off the Menu and Dinner will be on your own. The Rotary Social Committee will provide a sampling of appetizers for the Group.



**Spouses and Guests are Welcome!  
Reservations are limited to 20 people  
So Reserve Your Spot Now!  
Please make your reservations with Laura.**

**Make Your Reservations NOW for the Presidential Gala**

***You are cordially invited to a celebration  
a year in the making!***



**Please join Dayton Rotary as we  
celebrate President Kim Bramlage  
and her tenure as President!**

**Rotary Presidential Gala**

**Friday, June 28th  
5:30—7:30 PM**

## Dayton Art Institute

In the Gothic Cloister

**\$50/person**

*Includes Heavy Hors D'oeuvres & Beer and Wine  
Iced Tea & Lemonade*

**Spouses and Guests Welcome**

### MENU

*Mini Beef Wellingtons, Chicken Lime Skewers with Ginger Sauce, Bacon  
Wrapped Dates, Shrimp Tartlets, Phyllo Onion Tarts, Risotto Balls with  
Marinara Sauce, a Vegetable Display, Fruit Display, Cheese Display*

#### **Dessert**

*Assortment of Brownies, Lemon Tarts and Cookies*

**Please RSVP to [laura@daytonrotary.com](mailto:laura@daytonrotary.com) by June 21st**

**Business Casual Attire**

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### Support Oakwood Rotary That Day in May

Oakwood Rotary hosts That Day in May Starting Saturday

Oakwood's annual That Day in May celebration, hosted by the Rotary Club of Oakwood, is set for Saturday and Monday.

The Saturday schedule includes:

8-11 a.m.: Pancake breakfast, Oakwood High School cafeteria, 1200 Far Hills Ave.

8:30 a.m.: 1K kids fun, and adults 5K and 10K. Mack Hummon Stadium, behind OHS, East Schantz Avenue.

Noon: Parade, Shafor Boulevard from Orchard Drive to the OHS stadium.

12:30-4 p.m.: Games and bouncy houses, on Schantz Avenue and in The Pit, OHS.

1-4 p.m.: Auto show, in the second block of Dellwood Avenue.

1:20 p.m.: Dog show, OHS stadium.

The Monday schedule includes a silent auction inside Dayton Country Club, 555 Kramer Road, at 10 a.m., and the 4th annual golf outing at noon at DCC, with a cocktail hour afterward.

Proceeds from That Day in May support the Oakwood Rotary Foundation, which supports many charitable groups, school events and community projects. Several businesses are sponsoring this year's festivities.

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