

Rotary



Club of Dayton SMILE



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Walter A. Hibner
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iPast President



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Assistant Governor

Birthdays



Douglas H. Deutsch
December 12th



Laura J. Roesch
December 15th



John Rutherford Allen
December 15th



Luke Dennis
December 16th

This Week at Rotary

MONDAY, December 12, 2022

Sinclair Community College - or on Zoom



"Holiday Sweepstakes & Elections"

This will be our annual fundraiser for the Dayton Rotary Foundation. Make sure you have paid for your \$50 ticket to have your name included in the drawing for gifts. Bring an unwrapped gift of \$25 or more value. Plan to participate in the Silent Auction and 50/50 drawing where tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$20. We will also be voting for our Club Officers, Board of Directors and Foundation Trustees. This is always a fun meeting....you don't want to miss it!

Chair of the Day: Shaun Yu and Clubhouse 39

This Happened Last Monday...

President Walt Hibner called the meeting to order and welcomed Bill Nance to the podium who led Rotarians in prayer, the Pledge, the Four Way Test and news of the day. Sarah Hippensteel Hall was introduced and welcomed visiting Rotarians and guests. Michelle Sherrill visited from the Vandalia Rotary club. Jena Pado introduced her guest Adam Blanchard; Rhonda Starghill introduced Crystal Allen; Paul Gruner introduced Joanna Hartley; and Judi Budi introduced Tim Fisher.

Linda Groover, club secretary, announced Rotarians with birthdays this week including Rick Dobson, Frank Kivuyo, Cassie Barlow Darlene Nelson, John Patterson, and Crystal Corbin. Linda introduced Shaun Yu who made several announcements about the December 12th meeting when the regular meeting agenda will be replaced with the annual Holiday Sweepstakes & Elections meeting. He reminded everyone to: purchase a \$50 ticket (additional tickets also available), bring an unwrapped gift with a minimum value of \$25, be ready to purchase 50/50 Raffle tickets and bid on silent auction items, and wear your ugliest holiday sweater. Shaun explained that all club members would receive an email so they can vote for club elections, regardless if they attend the December 12 meeting in-person or not. However, everyone was encouraged to attend in-person.

Rotarians offered the following Day-Tens and other foundation gifts. Gary Gottschlich pledged a Day-100 to Rotary International in celebration of Carolyn Rice. Chuck Watts pledged a Day-10 to announce the Old Time Dunbar family Christmas Celebration on December 16, 17, and 18. Carolyn Rice pledged a Day-146.50 (one dime for each vote she received) in honor of her winning her re-election campaign for Montgomery County Commissioner. She thanked everyone for being there for her. She received a standing ovation. Paul Gruner gave a Day-Ten for the new Bearcat Coach. Dave Williamson pledged a Day-50 for Carolyn Rice. Donna Childs pledged a Day-Ten for attending the meeting in-person for the first time in two years.

Walt Hibner, club president, welcomed everyone and introduced several new members. Chuck Watts came to the podium to introduce new member Anita Lewis. Walt introduced a new corporate membership, altafiber. altafiber's members are: Jason Praeter, Eric Farrell, Dan Driskell, and Evan Farlaudeau.

Iris Juergens, foundation trustee, came to the podium to present a check to Graceworks Lutheran Services. Judi Budi and Tim Fischer accepted the award and thanked the foundation for their support of their project. They will be investing in therapeutic technology to assist with memory-care support. The technology is called "Torvertafel" or Technology to Reduce Dementia-Related Behavior.

Walt, Chair of the Day, introduced the Speaker of the Day, Jason Praeter, president and general manager of the Network Division of altafiber. Jason introduced himself and his connections to the Miami Valley. He explained "fiber" and how it connects people, businesses, and technology. Jason discussed the 150 year-old company, recently re-branded as altafiber (fka Cincinnati Bell), and their important milestones. The company stretches from Hawaii to Kentucky to Troy, Ohio. They were the first to roll out ASDL in North America, they merged with Hawaiian Telecom, they started laying fiber in 2008 and this month they will surpass 1 million homes. They currently have 2800 employees, 2800 tech certificates, 1.2 billion in revenue, and 2500 clients. Jason also discussed how they are approaching digital equity, public-private partnerships, their smart city application, and how they give back to their communities. Several questions were asked about altafiber's local presence, their customer service philosophy, and areas that are still too isolated for fiber.

Jason then pulled a ticket from the fire hat, and the Queen of Hearts broke another heart when she refused to be pulled from the remaining 5 cards in the deck. There will be no Queen of Hearts pulled at the December 12 meeting.

Meeting Recording link: <https://vimeo.com/778504391>

He Shall Be Missed

Speakers

December 12, 2022
[Holiday Sweepstakes & Elections](#)

December 19, 2022
[Holiday Program](#)
Carillon Brass Quintet

December 26, 2022
NO MEETING -
HAPPY HOLIDAYS

January 02, 2023
NO MEETING -
HAPPY HOLIDAYS

January 09, 2023
[Chief Glenna Wallace](#)

January 16, 2023
NO MEETING - MLK
HOLIDAY

January 23, 2023
[Greg Darling](#),
[Executive Director](#),
[The Disability Foundation](#)
What You Should
Know About Pooled
Special Needs Trusts

January 30, 2023
[Michael Riordan](#),
[President & CEO](#)
Premier Health

February 06, 2023
[Kamran Afzal](#), [Chief of Police](#), [City of Dayton](#)

February 13, 2023
[Carlo Capua](#), [Fort Worth Texas Rotary](#)
Membership & the
Ft. Worth Rotary
Minority-Owned
Business Awards

February 20, 2023
NO MEETING -
PRESIDENT'S DAY

February 27, 2023
[Rita Cyr](#), [CEO](#)
[Ronald McDonald house Charities](#)
Dayton

March 06, 2023
[Jonathan McNeal](#),
[Manager](#), [The NEON](#)
Oscars Preview

March 13, 2023
[Girl Scouts of Western Ohio](#)

March 20, 2023
[Chris McClure](#),
[McClure Coaching](#)

March 27, 2023
[Ty Sutton](#), [President & CEO](#)
Dayton LIVE

April 03, 2023
[Sharon Davies](#),
[President & CEO](#)
[The Kettering Foundation](#)

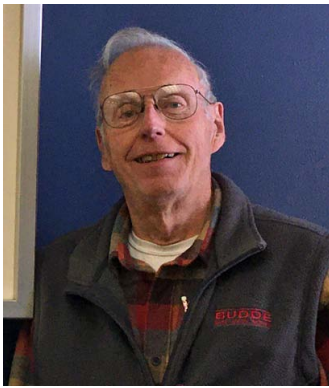
April 10, 2023
[James Arnold](#)
All About Birds

April 17, 2023
[Red Ribbon Takeover](#)

April 24, 2023
[Jeff Graley](#),
[President](#), [Mile2](#)

May 15, 2023
[Laurel Kerr](#) and
[Raven Loaiza](#),
[Dayton Mediation Center](#)

May 29, 2023
NO MEETING -
MEMORIAL DAY



Our sympathy to the family and friends of Rotarian, Tom Budde who passed away on December 6th at the age of 84. Tom joined Dayton Rotary in April 1989. He was a long-time bowler on the Ironmen team. He was a J.R. Woodhull Fellow and a multiple Paul Harris Fellow. There will be a visitation held on Wednesday, December 14 at Westbrook Funeral Home in Kettering from 5:00-7:00 PM. His obituary will be in the paper this weekend.

Welcome to Dayton Rotary!

NEW MEMBER PROFILE



Dan Driskell has over 25 years of corporate and higher education business development and administration. He is a Dayton Native (Bellbrook). Holds a B.S. from Bowling Green State University, M.S. from Western Kentucky University and is currently working towards a M.S. from Bowling Green State University. He and his wife, Shannon, reside in Sugarcreek Township and have two boys in high school. He is currently on the board of Graceworks Lutheran Services and Ronald McDonald House of Dayton. In addition to those volunteer boards he is also the President of the Bellbrook Athletic Boosters and member of the Business Advisory Council for the Greene County Educational Service Center. He also serves on the Dayton Chamber Economic & Workforce Development Committee.

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Eric Farrell is a Dayton native, after graduating from Carroll High School he went on to pursue a BS in Business Leadership and a MS in Educational Leadership and Administration from the University of Dayton. He is a true Flyer and spent seven years working for the university in various roles, specifically in the athletics department. Before joining the altafiber team, Farrell worked as the CEO of the Home Builders Association of Dayton. He volunteers his time coaching basketball to those with disabilities, he is heavily involved with i70/75 Development Association and United Way of Miami Valley, and so much more. When he is not working or volunteering, he is spending his time with his family in their Kettering home.

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NEW MEMBER PROFILE

Evan Falardeau graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 2014, majoring in Criminal Justice with a minor in Information Technology. He is an active member of i70/75 Development Association and South Dayton Young Professionals and active with the Dayton Development Coalition. He started his career at altafiber after graduation and has moved up in the company into an Account Manager for the Greater Dayton Region. He lives locally with his three-legged cat, Stimpy.

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NEW MEMBER PROFILE



Jason Praeter is President and General Manager - Network Division of **altafiber**, and reports directly to Tom Simpson, Chief Operating Officer of **altafiber**. His responsibilities include expanding the fiber network across Greater Cincinnati and driving subscriber growth in the consumer, business and carrier markets. He joined **altafiber** in 2007 and focused primarily on selling fiber-to-the-home. In his most recent role as Vice President of Consumer Sales, which started in 2013, he was responsible for leading the company's market share and revenue growth for Consumer Markets. Jason is active in his community, holds various coaching positions, and donates time with the local Food to Go charity and is on the Board of Trustees for the Dayton Development Coalition and the Dayton Chamber.

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Anita Lewis, a Rotarian since 2011, is committed to using her business, farming, engineering, and nursing knowledge to exercise what the United Nations calls "our duties to the community" to protect and promote human rights. In 2013, she co-founded the Empathy Surplus Project Foundation. The next year she represented Empathy Surplus as a member of the UN Global Compact to the 2014 Rotary Day at the United Nations. In 2015, Anita founded I AM CLEAN ENERGY, LLC. This for-profit company encourages a resource-based, caring, circular economy filled with ethical businesses and poison-free communities. This year she founded Circular Development, a non-profit. Anita's energies address CDG1, Circular Development Goal #6 – WASH–water, sanitation, and hygiene. She and her daughter, Ann Bruffy of Virginia Beach VA, worked in Guyana during the last half of 2019. They donated water pumps and facilitated the installation of them in the hinterland. Anita and Ann are also developing programs to promote fundamental human rights for women and girl children in Malawi, East Africa, addressing the UN's 'CDGs' 5–Gender Equality, and 16–Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions. A graduate of Julienne HS and Wright State University School of Nursing, Anita is an Affiliate Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers. A Greene County, Ohio, resident since 1977, she established Roaring Brook Farm, A Demonstration Farm For Clean Energy, in 2011. Anita served on the Greene Soil & Water Conservation Board as an Associate Supervisor for 22 years. She has two children and four grandchildren. Her husband, Dale is a hardware engineer and percussionist and they reside together in Sugarcreek Township. Her current favorite read is The Third Industrial Revolution by Jeremy Rifkin.

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Queen of Hearts Drawing - ONLY 4 CARDS LEFT IN THE DECK

Queen of Hearts Raffle is Back

NO QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING ON DECEMBER 12TH DUE TO THE HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES 50/50 - WE WILL RESUME ON DECEMBER 19TH WITH JUST 4 CARDS REMAINING.

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.

ONLY 4 CARDS LEFT IN THE DECK

CURRENT POT: \$5839

See Secretary Linda or Laura for more information.

ATTENTIOM 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.



December Social Events

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**Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 PM
Drinks and Merriment at the Bar and
Bistro at Top of the Market!**

32 Webster Street

Come after work, come after shopping!
Enjoy holiday cheer with your fellow Rotarians!
Spouses & Guests Welcome.
RSVP to Laura by the 14th



Tuesday, December 20th at 7:30 AM

**“Breakfast Santa” at
Legacy Pancake House**

1510 North Keowee

Come and meet for breakfast and
surprise our server with holiday
cheer! Come help spread some holi-
day cheer to the hard working servers
at Legacy Pancake House!
Come prepared to generously tip our
server (Suggested tip amount \$100
per attendee). Money will be

collected upon arrival, we'll order breakfast or coffee, then
present the gift to our server after we pay our tabs!

Spouses & Guests Welcome.

RSVP to Laura by the 19th.

