

The MarRotagram



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When is it impossible to plant spring flowers? When you haven't botany.

Even if Punxsutawney Phil insists we still have weeks to go, today feels like a heat wave, so let's think spring. Enjoy the warmth while it lasts, and here's hoping we've seen the worst of winter for 2026. And let's all keep our fingers crossed that the rivers stay in their banks during this thaw!

THIS WEEK - February 12, 2025

Program: This week, we are pleased to welcome Fiona Ruminski, Eastern Regional Liaison for the Ohio Secretary of State. Fiona serves as a key connection between the Secretary of State's office and communities across eastern Ohio and will provide an overview of what the office does, including its role in elections, business filings, and public records. This is a great chance to gain practical insight into a state office that touches nearly every business, nonprofit, and voter in our communities.

Attendance: Mackenzie Goldsberry

Ticket Sales: Gretchen Flinger

Greeter: Dave Baker

Invoker: Ashleigh Pennock

Can Collector: Davis Powers

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **Brick Removal (Date Change)** — Due to the inclement weather, we will now remove the bricks on **Sunday, February 15th at 2P** in Rotary Park (next to the bridge in East Muskingum Park).

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS LIVE!

Speakers

February 12, 2026

[Fiona Ruminski](#)
Secretary of State: What do they do?

February 19, 2026

[Sandy Knoesel](#)
District Governor

February 26, 2026

[Dylan Sayre](#)
Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

March 05, 2026

[Andrew Parsons](#)
Ely Chapman

The full application can be accessed and completed via the following link:

<https://forms.gle/hRQfhCcuk66mwjxx5>. Please share the following information with anyone in your network who could benefit from a scholarship, and encourage them to apply. Deadline is April 3. If you have any questions, please reach out to Matt Evans.

LAST MEETING - February 5, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Roush shared highlights from the February 4 Board of Directors meeting:
 - \$3,000 was reallocated from the District Service Budget to support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.
 - \$2,000 for the February service project will be donated to Habitat for Humanity in support of its annual auction. Additional hands-on service opportunities with Habitat may be available in April or May.
- Brick removal at Muskingum Park has been rescheduled due to weather and will now take place on Sunday, February 15, at 2:00 PM. Join us if you can. Many hands make light work.
- **On February 19, the District Governor will join us for a club presentation, followed by a social gathering at The Townhouse from 5:00 PM to around 8:00 PM.**
- Terry Rataiczak provided an update on the Haiti water project we supported with a \$10,000 donation last year. Nine of the ten wells have been drilled, four are fully operational with pumps installed, and the remaining wells are being prepared. The project is expected to be completed by April or May.

President Jesse read a farewell letter to the club from David Wesel. The message was deeply touching and made clear just how much Dave will be missed by everyone.

Blue Badges: Ashleigh Pennock, sponsored by Laura Miller, and Austin Witucky, sponsored by Dave Archer, both received their Blue Badges. Welcome to full membership, Ashleigh and Austin!

PRESENTATION: Last Thursday, our club enjoyed a presentation from the Students Solving Problems team from Warren High School, led by guidance counselor Amy Buchman. Students ranging from freshmen to seniors joined us to share their latest project, the Student Empathy Interview Analysis.

Through teacher-led guidance, the team conducted interviews with 170 students and teachers at Warren High School to gather data that could be quantified and

analyzed for potential improvements to the school's social environment. Their work identified three key areas for change: homework, community, and choices.

With support from a grant through the Marietta Community Foundation, the students traveled to MIT for training and workshops. After returning, they refined their approach and developed Flex Friday as a practical solution that addresses the needs of students and staff alike. The team continues to learn and adapt and will soon travel to Los Angeles to present their ideas to peers and specialists.

Thank you to Aleece Dye and Tasha Werry for bringing this inspiring example of student-led problem-solving in our community to our club.

Split the Pot: Daily: \$42

Jackpot: \$794

Winner: Ken Morrison. Daily only. Game goes on!

Designate your donation to support children in your community!

THREE WAYS TO SUPPORT

YOUR DISTRICT: 6690

Donations will be split to provide books to children in multiple counties across your district.



YOUR CLUB: MARIETTA

Donations will provide books to children in the county where your club is located.



MAIL A CHECK

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio
P.O. Box 340734, Columbus, Ohio 43234

In the memo line, please notate Rotary and specify which District or County your donation should be allocated to.

**THANK YOU FOR FOSTERING A LOVE OF
READING IN OHIO'S CHILDREN!**

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Learn More: OhioImaginationLibrary.org

Birthdays

[Lori Hart](#)
February 14th

[Mark Kerenyi](#)
February 21st



[Tiffany Neill](#)
February 22nd



[Mackenzie Goldsberry](#)
February 24th



[Adrian Van Dyk](#)
February 24th



[James C. Peebles](#)
March 2nd



[Bob Voisinet](#)
March 4th

Years of Service



[Mike D. Archer](#)
21 Years



[Heather Nicole Allender](#)
14 Years



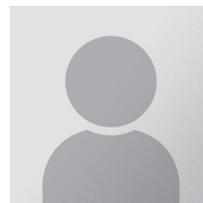
[Peter Frederick Prigge](#)
14 Years



[Aleece Dye](#)
5 Years



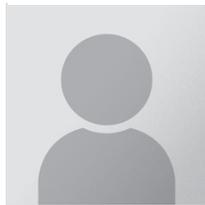
[Greta Guimond](#)
3 Years



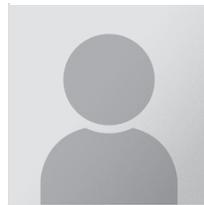
[Jennifer Tinkler](#)
2 Years

[Andrew Parsons](#)
1 Year

[Joshua Schlicher](#)
1 Year



[Suzy Zumwalde](#)
0 Years



[Laney J Hitchens](#)
0 Years

UNITE FOR GOOD



SORTING OUT WHERE CONTRIBUTIONS GO

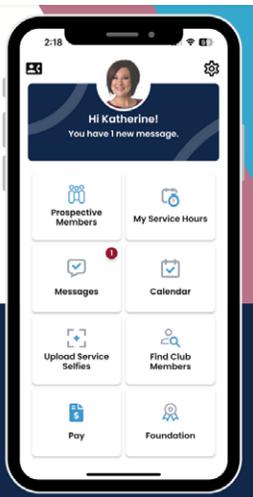
Where do your contributions go? There are three main organizations where we as Marietta Rotarians direct our Rotary Giving. Sometimes it can be confusing, so here is something to hopefully help keep things straight.

ORGANIZATION	DONATION DESIGNATIONS	ADDRESS	MEMBER CONTACT	EMAIL
Rotary Club of Marietta	Club Dues	PO Box 1138 Marietta, OH 45750	Terry Rataiczak	treasurer@mariettanoonrotary.org
Marietta Rotary Foundation	Unrestricted Fund, Safetytown, Scholarships	424 2nd Street Marietta, OH 45750	Colleen Cook Bob Kirkbride	cook@theisenbrock.com rekirkbride@yahoo.com
Rotary International Foundation	\$125 Club, Paul Harris, Annual Fund, PolioPlus	PO Box 1138 Marietta, OH 45750	Terry Rataiczak	treasurer@mariettanoonrotary.org



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