



The MarRotaGram

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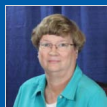
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What do a tick and the Eiffel Tower have in common? They're both Paris sites.

Only a well-crafted dad joke can add levity to any mention of ticks! With spring in full swing, warmer days have us spending more time outdoors, which also means those tiny freeloaders are back on the job. Whether you're in the woods, the yard, or just tending your flowerbeds, consider this your friendly reminder to take ticks seriously. I know it's a random topic for a MarRotaGram, but with Lyme disease and Alpha-gal syndrome cases rising across the Midwest, it felt worth sharing because it's *"beneficial to all concerned."*

THIS WEEK - April 30, 2026

Program: This week, we are pleased to welcome Carla Archer. Carla serves as Director of the Supervised Visitation Center in Marietta, a program connected with EVE, Incorporated that provides a safe, structured setting for children and families navigating difficult transitions. She also serves as a Probation Officer with the Washington County Common Pleas Court Adult Probation Department, reflecting a career dedicated to accountability, rehabilitation, and community safety.

Carla's work sits at the intersection of compassion and public service, helping families through challenging circumstances while supporting systems that strengthen our community. We look forward to hearing her share about the mission of the Visitation Center and the impact it continues to make across our region.

Attendance: Colleen Cook

Ticket Sales: Tina Adams

Greeter: Sarah Parker

Speakers

April 30, 2026

[Carla Archer](#)
Supervised Visitation Center

May 07, 2026

[Kevin Tripett](#)
Mental Health & Addicton,
Westbrook Health Services

May 14, 2026

[Sydnie Weber](#)
MOV Airport Update

May 21, 2026

[Suzanne Schultz](#)
Betsey Mills Club Updates

Invoker: Laura Miller

Can Collector: Josh Schlicher

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **Brick Projects:** Drainage Upgrade on Thursday 4/30 @ 4P & Brick Install on Saturday 5/2 @ 9
- EVE Incorporated Backyard Refresh - Saturday, May 16, from 9-1P.
- Safetytown will be held June 15-25. *More details coming soon!*

LAST MEETING - April 23, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Roush announced **the Golf Outing is set for May 8**. If you would like to include a corporate-branded item in the golfers' swag bags, please begin bringing items in immediately. **Important: Swag bags will be stuffed on May 7**, so have your items at the meeting by then. Don't miss this fabulous marketing opportunity!
- We are also collecting spirits and wine for the putting challenge. Donations of bottles or cash are appreciated. Please bring contributions to the next meeting. **Current count: 6 bottles. Goal: 20+**. Come on, team, let's get there!
- **Save the Date:** Terry Rataiczak's District Governor Induction
Saturday, June 6 | 5:00 PM
Lafayette Hotel Grand Ballroom
\$40 per person | Heavy appetizers & bar
Come support Terry and the Marietta Club!
- **Scholarship Committee:** Matt Evans announced that eight students have been selected to receive Rotary Club of Marietta scholarships. The awards presentation will take place during the **May 21** club meeting.
- **Service Project Alert:** Stay tuned for more details on our upcoming project at EVE. Many hands make light work, and this will be a great opportunity to serve.
- **SAFETY TOWN IS COMING!!!** Our largest service project of the year is almost here. Safety Town runs **June 15–25** and takes many volunteers to make it happen. Get ready to sign up, clipboards are already making the rounds!

Program: Our club had the pleasure of hearing April Gibson speak on the Science of Happiness. Ms. Gibson shared evidence-based practices for living a more meaningful life, including maintaining supportive relationships, serving others, practicing meditation and mindfulness, reducing screen time, and embracing forgiveness.

She reminded us that happiness requires time and attention, and when nurtured

through a consistent system of focused habits, it is attainable. Ms. Gibson, a veteran and owner of several businesses, lives in Parkersburg with her husband and children. To learn more, she can be reached at lifecoachmov@gmail.com.

Split the Pot: Daily: \$46

Jackpot: \$204

Winner: David Vandenberg, daily only. *Game goes on!*

Birthdays



[Danielle Bruni](#)
April 29th



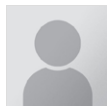
[Greta Guimond](#)
May 3rd



[Kevin Witucky](#)
May 7th



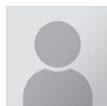
[Laney J Hitchens](#)
May 9th



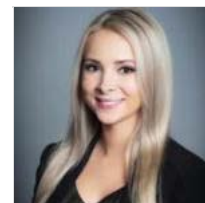
[Andrew Parsons](#)
May 20th



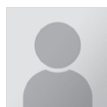
[Gretchen N Flinner](#)
May 21st



[Cheri L SeEVERS](#)
May 23rd



[McKenzie Allen](#)
May 23rd



[Mark Schwendeman](#)
May 24th



[Elizabeth Godfrey](#)
May 25th

Years of Service



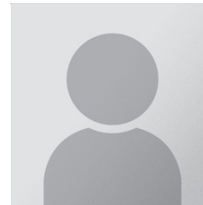
[J. Scott Cantley](#)
20 Years



[Tina M. Adams](#)
15 Years



[David Wesel](#)
12 Years



[Thomas Hickey](#)
2 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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