

# The MarRotagram



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*What Halloween candy can't stop laughing? Snickers!*

Another week, another gem of a dad joke, this time courtesy of Snickers enthusiast Kevin Witucky! Thanks for the laugh, Kevin. With Halloween upon us, I'm looking forward to a fun and festive meeting this Thursday. Bonus points to any Rotarian who shows up in costume. Let's keep the Rotary spirit alive!

### **THIS WEEK - October 30, 2025**

**Program:** This week, we're excited to welcome members of the Ohio River Sternwheel Festival Committee. They'll share highlights and results from this year's event, including the community impact and successes that made it another memorable festival. Looking ahead, they'll also give us a glimpse into the plans and preparations already underway for next year's milestone — the 50th anniversary celebration in September!

**Attendance:** Troy Hawkins

**Ticket Sales:** Larry Hiser

**Greeter:** Mackenzie Goldsberry

**Invoker:** Ashleigh Pennock

**Can Collector:** Colleen Cook

**SGT @ Arms:** Eric Erb

### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

- November service opportunities will be announced next week.

### **LAST WEEK - October 23, 2025**

## Speakers

October 30, 2025

[Greta Guimond](#)  
Sternwheel Committee

November 06, 2025

[Erin O'Reilly/Andy Hall](#)  
MOV Film Collection

November 13, 2025

[Sylvie Caporale](#)  
Veteran's Day Program

November 20, 2025

[Teresa Judson](#)  
County Recorder

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- On Thursday, October 30, we'll be giving away two VIP tickets to the *Washington County Foster Families Fundraiser* at Peoples Bank Theater. **Purchase your 50/50 tickets this week for a chance to win *more than just half the pot!***
- **Rotary rush tickets are on sale now!** See **Terry, Laura, or Jesse** to grab yours today. Remember, this is one of our club's two major fundraisers for the year. Don't miss out on this amazing event!
- The Brick Engraving Project is moving along, and bricks are selling quickly! **Don't miss your chance — [order yours here.](#)**
- **Socktober is here!** As of last Thursday, we've collected an impressive **4,811 pairs of socks**—just **229 pairs shy of our 5,000-pair goal!** The Club is also pitching in by donating funds to purchase additional socks, but **this Thursday is the final day to contribute!** Let's finish strong and help keep our neighbors warm this winter. All socks collected stay **right here in our local community.**
- **NGSE hosts are still needed.** The Brazilians will be here in January, and we still need 2-3 host families. See David Vandenberg or Laura Miller for more details.

**PRESENTATION:** Last week, we had the pleasure of hearing from Erin Augenstein, Executive Director of the Northwest Territory Museum Society (NTMS). Erin shared the fascinating history behind the NTMS, its mission and values, and provided an exciting update on the construction of the new Ohio River Museum. She noted that while the project is fully funded, naming opportunities remain available for major gifts or exhibit sponsors. Those interested in contributing can contact Erin at [erin@mariettamuseums.org](mailto:erin@mariettamuseums.org). Erin also highlighted a new play, *One Vote*, written by Todd Burge and Larry Groce, which will debut next summer to celebrate our nation's 250th birthday and the pivotal role the Ohio River and Mid-Ohio Valley played in America's early days. Thank you, Erin, for an engaging and inspiring program!

**MEMBER MOMENT:** Bob Kirkbride shared a wonderful Member Moment highlighting his journey since leaving active duty after eight years with the U.S. Air Force. Following his discharge in Los Angeles, Bob and his family relocated to Houston, his wife's hometown, where he began investing in commercial real estate and served as Financial Controller at the University of Houston. Upon returning to Marietta in 1974, Bob took on the role of Financial Manager at Marietta College for five years and became deeply involved in numerous local boards and organizations—one of which he's still active with today, The Mound Company (Esbenshade Co.), where he has served for an impressive 36 years. While Bob remains a bit secretive about his formal work, he admits to having more than a few "side hustles." Thanks, Bob, for sharing your story and giving us a great Member Moment!

**Split the Pot:** Daily: \$46

**Jackpot:** \$262

**Winner:** *Matt Evans, daily only.*

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### Birthdays



[Dennis O. Cook](#)  
October 28th



[John Wharff III](#)  
October 29th



[Anthony Mark Huffman](#)  
October 30th



[Heather Nicole Allender](#)  
November 1st



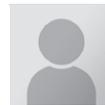
[Leight Murray](#)  
November 4th



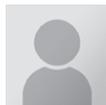
[Kin Brewer](#)  
November 4th



[Charlotte Miller Keim](#)  
November 14th



[Jennifer Tinkler](#)  
November 17th



[Kelsy Eaton](#)  
November 21st



[Richard Murdock](#)  
November 28th

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### Years of Service



[Kevin Witucky](#)  
24 Years



[Eric E. Erb](#)  
24 Years

[Robert Brawley](#)  
23 Years

[David J. Bricker](#)  
19 Years



[Larry Hiser](#)  
8 Years



[Shawn Taylor](#)  
8 Years



[Matthew Livengood](#)  
6 Years



[Duane Huck](#)  
3 Years



[James Farley](#)  
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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