

Newark Rotary Committees 2025-2026

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 •DARREL JONES: 1957-58 •THEODORE D. GRILEY: 1976-77 •ROBERT H. MCGAUGHY: 2003-2004
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THEODORE D. GRILEY: 2001-2005

ROTOGRAM

2025-2026



WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2026

Meetings At Noon Tuesday | Double Tree Hilton, Newark, Ohio

THIS WEEK'S MEETING

Empowering Women in Skilled Trades



Presented by Matt Thompson, Director of Postsecondary Center at C-TEC

This week's Rotary meeting will feature a presentation by Matt Thompson, Director of the Postsecondary Center at C-TEC. Matt will share an overview of the Jill of All Trades program, which inspires young women to pursue skilled trades careers. He will highlight the program's hands-on approach, mentorship, and its impact on local workforce pathways.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

April 07 - Susan Sheridan Smith - Labyrinths

April 14 - Doug Stout - Johnny Clem History

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LAST WEEK'S MEETING NOTES

President Brendan Underwood rang the bell to open the March 24, 2026 meeting of the Newark Rotary Club. **Tom Slater** and **Peter Larson** led the club in singing "R-O-T-A-R-Y." **Jim Cooper** delivered the invocation and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. The musical portion continued with the Air Force Song, led by Peter and Tom.

Guests: **President-Elect Nate Adams** introduced the day's guests including Katie Roesink, guest of **Jay Snyder**; Peter Borhauer, guest of **Molly Ingold**; and Sherry Selfe and Michelle Koski, guests of **Kristin Evers**. The student guests from Licking Heights and Northridge High School also shared reflections from the past month.

Recognitions: The club celebrated the induction of new member **Cameron Garczyk**. **Joe Sinsabaugh**, **Chan Cochran**, **Tom Slater**, and **Heather Powell** were recognized as Paul Harris Fellow+ members. **Eriech Horvath** was also recognized by the Rotary Foundation as a Major Donor (Level 2).

Sergeant-at-Arms: **Pat Jeffries** led the day's fines. Cameron was fined as the newest member, and all Paul Harris Fellows were recognized for their generous support of the Club. **Kim Manno** fined herself while sharing two upcoming Newark Campus events. **Maryann Crist** and **Jay Snyder** were both fined for celebrating their one-year Club anniversaries, with Maryann also recognizing her husband's State Farm milestone.

Last Week's Reporter: **Lee Heckman**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fashion with Compassion: **Nate Adams** shared that the LiCo Coalition of Care's Fashion with Compassion event has been rescheduled and will now take place April 18.
- Signature Event: **Heather Powell** reminded members that tickets are still available for the Club's April 11 Signature Event and encouraged attendees to wear their favorite high school attire. Members are also invited to contribute items for the silent auction.
- Newark Campus Events: **Kim Manno** highlighted two upcoming events at the Reese Center, including Oval Unscripted on April 7 from 6 to 8 pm featuring OSU Athletic Director Ross Bjork and Alumni Association CEO Molly Ranz Calhoun, and Ohio Goes to the Movies on April 12 from 2 to 4 pm with a screening of Johnny Shiloh, a film about Johnny Clem.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



Cameron Garczyk

PROGRAM

Rotarian Sally Heckman introduced this week's presenter, Elijah Snow, Chief Flight Instructor at Flight Gear Aviation in Heath. Snow shared an overview of his role leading daily flight training operations, coordinating maintenance, standardizing instruction, and ensuring safety and quality at the Newark-Heath airport.

Snow provided a brief history of the Licking County Regional Airport, which was originally established in 1930 on the north side of Newark before relocating to its current Heath location in 1968. He noted that the airport has recently completed several improvements, including the addition of a new terminal in 2024, reflecting continued investment in the facility and its future growth.

He explained that beyond fueling and storing aircraft, the airport is home to a growing flight training school that launched in spring 2025. The program focuses on affordable, career-oriented training and currently operates five training aircraft with experienced instructors. The school has already enrolled more than 20 students ranging in age from 16 to 72 and continues to expand. Snow also highlighted the advantage of having an in-house examiner, with plans to add a second, which is uncommon for a school of its size.

Snow emphasized that the accessibility of the program is a key priority, opening doors for individuals at all stages of life who are interested in aviation, whether pursuing a professional career or flying recreationally. He noted that the combination of hands-on instruction, local accessibility, and a structured training path makes the program an appealing option for those who may not have previously considered aviation as a realistic goal.

Looking ahead, Snow outlined early plans from the airport's Master Planning process, including extending the runway to 5,000 feet to accommodate larger aircraft, upgrading runway lighting to LED systems with new signage, and constructing additional hangars. These improvements are expected to enhance safety, increase capacity, and position the airport for future economic and aviation-related growth in the region.

He concluded by answering questions from attendees, discussing topics such as training timelines, certification opportunities, and the growing demand for pilots. Snow reinforced the airport's role as both a valuable community asset and an emerging hub for aviation education and development in Licking County.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Never tell the audience how good you are. They will soon find out for themselves." – Harry Houdini