

ROTARY FORWARD

The Weekly Newsletter of the
Rotary Club of Knoxville



Rotary Club of Knoxville

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

Weekly Club Meeting - Crowne Plaza - 12 Noon



2022-2023 Officers & Directors

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Upcoming Program Tuesday, June 13, 2023



Donde Plowman became the ninth chancellor of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, on July 1, 2019.

She returned to Rocky Top after nine years at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln, where she served most recently as executive vice chancellor and chief academic officer. In that role, she oversaw academic affairs, student affairs, the Office of Research and Economic Development, and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. She earlier served for more than six years as the James Jr. and Susan Stuart Dean of UNL's College of Business Administration.

Before going to Nebraska, Plowman was on the management faculty at UT, where she

Upcoming Events

June 13, 2023
RCK Meeting
Crowne Plaza & Zoom
UT Chancellor Donde Plowman

July 13, 2023
2023-2024 Board Meeting
Crowne Plaza & Zoom
Board Room I
1:00pm - 2:30pm

June 20, 2023
Joint Board Meeting
Crowne Plaza & Zoom
Private Dining Room
10:30am - 12 Noon

June 20, 2023
RCK Meeting
Crowne Plaza & Zoom
RCK Scholarship Meeting

June 27, 2023
RCK Meeting
Crowne Plaza & Zoom
Installation of Officers for 2023-24

July 4, 2023
No RCK Weekly Meeting

July 11, 2023
RCK Meeting
Crowne Plaza & Zoom
Jonathan Scoonover
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Early Education

served for two years as head of the Department of Management in the Haslam College of Business. She began her academic career at the University of Texas at San Antonio as an assistant professor of management and advanced to the position of professor and associate dean for graduate studies and research, where she was responsible for the creation of the university's doctoral degree in business.

Plowman has a doctorate in strategic management from the University of Texas at Austin, an undergraduate degree with a major in English from Southern Methodist University, and an MEd in higher education administration from the University of North Texas.

Plowman is married to Dennis Duchon, a professor of management and department chair at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. She has two grown sons.

RSVP Link -

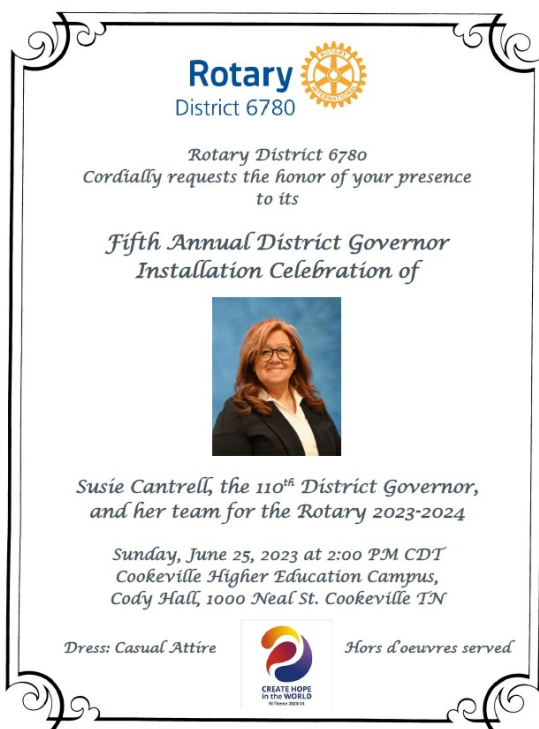
<https://forms.office.com/r/ANGEQLCNGP>

Zoom Link -

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84906212212?pwd=bHZic0pzR1kwK2tCc0RvcldpWQkd2QT09>

You are cordially invited to attend the installation of Susie Cantrell as the 110th District 6780 Governor. See invite below.

This is an opportunity to formally thank the outgoing District Governor, Al Clark, for the great year he has had leading the District. Two noteworthy accomplishments are that District 6780 leads both Zones 30 & 31 in membership gains of 115 members as of yesterday. And, he has started the task of incorporating



Maciolek at greg@gregmaciolek.com.
Hope to see you there.

Rotaractors into the District alongside the Rotary clubs. He has done more, no doubt. Please come to honor Al Clark.

Then there is the introduction of the DG line: DG-Nominee David Carroll; DG-Elect Rob Dansereau; and, of course, the installation of incoming District Governor Susie Cantrell. Past RI President, John Germ, will administer the oath to Susie and her team. Incoming Club Presidents and District Chairs will also be honored.

The event starts at 2:00 p.m. Central Time and will finish by 4:00 p.m. Central Time. This is also an opportunity to socialize at a less hectic event. There will be snacks and refreshments for you as you socialize.

The location is the Cookeville Higher Education Campus, Cody Hall, 1000 Neal Street, Cookeville TN.

Please RSVP your intention to attend to Greg



ROTARY CLUB OF KNOXVILLE Program Recap June 6, 2023

The **2023 Rotary Trade Show** was held during the club meeting on June 6, 2023. **RCK President Bill MacGrath** Introduced **Jeff Loos and Jim Decker**, Co-Chairs of the Business and Professional Committee which was responsible for planning and organizing this year's event.

The Rotary Trade Show is a bi-annual event which gives Rotarians the opportunity to showcase their own business and allow club members to learn more about their fellow Rotarians. There were over 20 tables of various businesses and organizations on display throughout the room, including the following:

WRJZ, Joy 620 (John Moudy)
American Red Cross (Sharon Hudson)
The Trust Company of East TN (Chris Lambert)

Spark Innovation Center/Cherokee Farm Dev. Corp (Carol Seamons)
Kenneth Miler & Associates (Ed Anderson)
Vanderveldt Consulting (Erin Vanderveldt)
Keller Williams Signature (Virginia Babb)
Eastwood Strategy (Bruce La Fetra)
River & Rail Theater Company (Kenneth Herring)
UTK College of Communication & Information (Joe Stabb)
MEDIC Regional Blood Center (Jim Decker/Alan Watson)
Denark Construction (Frank Rothermel)
C&J Wealth Advisors (Jeff Loos)
Holland Law Firm (Shannon Holland)
House Hasson Hardware Company (Taylor Hasson)
TN Valley Fair (Scott Suchomski)
311/211 (Russ Jensen)
Knoxville Center for Behavioral Medicine (Bryan Webb/Jordan Goins)
A&W Office Supply, Inc. (Rob Johnson)
Prosperity Partners Wealth Management (Wes Price)

Door drawings were conducted throughout the meeting, with several Rotarians walking away with great prizes. All attendees were asked to complete a Q&A form learning interesting facts about each of the participating companies. Those who completed the Q&A form were eligible for the Grand Prize. Congratulations to Dave Winstrom for winning the Grand Prize donated by A&W Office Supply.

The following members of the Business and Professional Committee are to be recognized for planning and organizing another successful Trade Show: Jeff Loos, Jim Decker, Wes Stowers, Bruce La Fetra, Erin Vanderveldt, and Mike Comer. Thanks also to Allison Scott and Mark Linville for their support and assistance.

Scribe: Jim Decker

CASA of East Tennessee Presents:

In Her Shoes®

This interactive training program is designed for experiential learning about domestic violence. Participants move, act, think, and make choices as a person experiencing an abusive relationship.

Date: July 13, 2023

Time: 9am-11:30am

**Location: Cokesbury Church North Campus
9915 Kingston Pike
Knoxville, TN 37922**

This training is free and open to the public; however, space is limited and registration is required.

Attendees are encouraged to bring school supplies which will be donated to Gibbs Middle School.

This training is made possible by a generous grant from the Rotary Club of Knoxville.

Local Community Service Grant Recipient Volunteer Request

In January, RCK awarded CASA of East TN a local community service grant which is allowing them to conduct **In Her Shoes®**, an interactive training program designed for experiential learning about domestic violence. This training gives participants a window into the real life choices and experiences of an individual experiencing intimate partner violence.

This will be CASA's first offering using the Rotary grant and they have requested ten volunteers to help with the training on Thursday, July 13th at Cokesbury Church North Campus located at 9915 Kingston Pike from 9am - 11:30am. There will also be a brief training for volunteers the evening of July 6th at 6pm at CASA's offices located at 5410 Homberg Drive, Suite 36.

Please sign up by July 1st to participate.

[Sign Up](#)



**KNOXVILLE ROTARACT CLUB
ANNUAL PINT NIGHT**

JUNE 21ST, 2023

Albright Grove Brewing Company
2924 Sutherland Ave, Knoxville, TN 37919
5:30 pm - 9 pm

A portion of every pint bought goes towards supporting *Caregiver Superhero Society*, plus the chance to win raffle and door prize items!

Can't make the event? Make a secure donation using the QR code or link below:

<https://givebutter.com/caregiversuperhero>

**CAREGIVER
SUPERHERO SOCIETY**

**ROTARACT
CLUB**

Knoxville Rotaract Club Pint Night

Knoxville Rotaract Club is holding its annual Pint Night Fundraising event on June 21st, from 5:30 pm to 9 pm, at Albright Grove Brewing Company. A portion of every pint bought goes to supporting Caregiver Superhero Society, and there will also be raffle and door prize items.

If you cannot make the event, but would still like to support them, you can make a secure donation by clicking this link: [Support Caregiver Superhero Society - Sponsored by the Knoxville Community Rotaract Club \(givebutter.com\)](https://givebutter.com/caregiversuperhero).

**** This event will also serve as the RCK Social for June so mark your calendar in pen to be there! ****



Wesley House Work Day
Saturday, June 24, 2023
8:30am - 12 Noon

Come one, come all! Please bring your family and friends for a fun work day at the Wesley House to help them get things spruced up this summer. Below is a sign up sheet so we will be able to keep track of who will be coming to help us serve this tremendous community. Don't miss out!

Sign Up
Here



CHATTANOOGA SIP 'N QUE FESTIVAL

Greetings from the Chattanooga Breakfast Rotary Club!

We're reaching out to challenge your club to participate in what we hope will become an annual district event. We have received the full blessing from incoming DG, Susie Cantrell, and it will be the first major event of her term. She has promised to be on hand to present the "Susie Q" award to the top team with a Rotarian member.

We have designed this to be a low cost amateur event in an attempt to entice Rotarians from the district to come to Chattanooga. There will also be a professional division should some real pros choose to participate. Please scan the QR code above to [access the website](#). Information concerning the event is there, including [the spot to register](#).

We realize this is an ambitious undertaking but feel, with the support of the district, that we could have a fun alternative/addition to the existing golf tournament.

Please feel free to contact Steve Smart at (901) 848-3591 with any questions.

We hope you will accept our BBQ CHALLENGE!!!

Festival Details:

July 8, 2023
First Horizon Pavilion
4pm VIP Entry
GA Entry 5pm - 8pm

Join the Chattanooga Breakfast Rotary for the inaugural Chattanooga Sip 'N Que Festival - a celebration of all things great about BBQ and libations!

The Festival will include:

Judge's Choice - Rib Competition
People's Choice - BBQ & Sides
Unlimited Samples - Beer, Wine & Whiskey
Food Trucks & Live Music



Rotarian Jim Decker retired this March after serving as MEDIC's CEO for 16 years. Medic wanted to honor and remember his work there, and decided the best way to do this was by naming their donor room at the Ailor Center after him. Next time you donate at the Ailor Center, take a look. Congratulations Jim!



Rotary District 6780
13th Annual
“PACK THE PARK
to END POLIO NOW !”



www.smokiesbaseball.com

Tennessee Smokies Baseball Game
Tuesday, August 15th - 7:00 p.m. EDT

Save the date for the 13th Annual Pack the Park to End Polio Now event on Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$14.00 and may be purchased through the Rotary Office. The ticket voucher will include \$6.00 in stadium credit and lots of fun with \$6.50 from each ticket sold going directly to help fight Polio.

If you can't attend the game on August 15, your ticket voucher is good for any regular season home game for the remainder of the 2023 season.

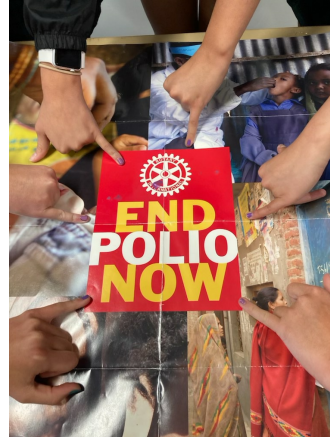
We will have tickets available for purchase at the check-in table prior to each weekly meeting. Feel free to contact the Rotary Office if you have any questions - (865) 523-8252.

New wild poliovirus isolates reported this week:

- AFP cases: 1
- Environment: 2
- Others: 0

New cVDPV isolates reported this week:

- AFP cases 1
- Environment: 21
- Others: 1



Headlines

- Last week, a cross-partnership Polio Outbreak Response Assessment team conducted a comprehensive analysis in Kiev, Ukraine. The team commended local and national public health authorities on the tremendous efforts undertaken in the country to strengthen immunization services and poliovirus surveillance, amid very challenging conditions. In relation to the circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV2 – most recent isolate December 2021), the group recommended to the WHO Regional Office for Europe to consider closing the outbreak, based on the team's assessment of surveillance and immunization activities. Debriefing with the Deputy Minister of Health and the Ukraine Public Health Centre, the team further recommended that the Ministry of Health submit a comprehensive report of activities to the European Regional Certification Commission of Poliomyelitis eradication.
- Africa's largest polio vaccination drive since 2020 launched, aiming to reach 21 million children. "This is a crucial undertaking to close vaccination gaps in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and will provide millions of children with vital protection from the risk of irreversible polio paralysis," - Dr Matshidiso Moeti, WHO Regional Director for Africa. **Read more..**
- One world: coming together to achieve one common goal. From G7, to World Health Assembly, to Rotarians at this week's Rotary Convention in Melbourne, leaders and stakeholders from around the world unanimously reaffirm their support to achieving a lasting polio-free world. **Read more here.**
- Novel OPV2 rollout: To date, approximately 620 million doses of nOPV2 have been administered across 29 countries under its WHO Emergency Use Listing (EUL). An additional 14 countries have met the requirements for nOPV2 use in the event of an outbreak. For more information on nOPV2, visit: **www.polioeradication.org/nOPV2**

Summary of New Polioviruses This Week

- **Afghanistan: one WPV1 case**
- Pakistan: two WPV1 positive environmental samples
- Algeria: one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- Burundi: four cVDPV2 positive environmental samples
- Central African Republic: one cVDPV2 case
- United States of America: 16 cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

Afghanistan:

- One WPV1 case was reported in Nangarhar making it the third case this year. There were two cases reported last year.
- No WPV1 positive environmental sample was reported this week. There have been 23 WPV1 positive environmental samples reported this year.

Pakistan:

- No WPV1 case was reported this week. There has been one WPV1 case in 2023 reported from Bannu, part of the seven polio-endemic districts located in the southern area of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- Two WPV1 positive environmental samples were reported in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- Intensified efforts continue to be implemented in the country, particularly in the southern area of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, to urgently eradicate the remaining endemic WPV1 transmission. Since January 2021, all reported cases have been from seven polio-endemic districts in the southern area of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (out of a total of 171 districts nationwide).

Officially reported WPV1 and cVDPV cases

Wild poliovirus (WPV)

- Total global WPV1 cases in 2023: 4 (compared with 8 for the same period in 2022)
- Total global WPV1 cases in 2022: 30

Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV) cases

- Total global cVDPV cases in 2023: 84 (compared with 103 for the same period in 2022)
- Total global cVDPV cases in 2022: 862

NEW MEMBER PROPOSED

Upon recommendation of the Membership Committee and the Board of Directors, the following individual has been approved for membership in the Rotary Club of Knoxville. Objections must be filed in writing to the Club Administrator by **June 26, 2023**.



Rushton W. Johnson, Jr.

Vice President of Student Affairs,
Pellissippi State Community College
Proposed by: **Ed Anderson**

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 10, 2023 - Club Visioning Facilitator Training, Roane State Community College, Cookeville, 8:30am - 4pm CST

June 13, 2023 - 2023-2024 RCK Board of Directors meeting, Crowne Plaza, 1:00pm

June 20, 2023 - RFK Scholarship Meeting, Crowne Plaza, 12 Noon

June 20, 2023 - Joint Board Meeting, Crowne Plaza, 10:30am

June 21, 2023 - RCK Social & Rotaract Pint Night, Albright Grove Brewing Company, 5:30pm - 9pm

June 24, 2023 - Rotary Work Day, Wesley House, 8:30am - Noon

June 25, 2023 - Installation of DG Susie Cantrell, Cookeville Higher Education Campus, Cody Hall, 1000 Neal Street, Cookeville, 2:00pm CST

June 27, 2023 - Joint Meeting of 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 Board of Directors, Crowne Plaza, 10:30am

July 4, 2023 - No Weekly RCK Meeting and Rotary Office Closed

July 8, 2023 - Chattanooga Sip 'n Que, details above

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



The Rotary Club of Knoxville wishes a very Happy Birthday to the following members celebrating a birthday this month:

Craig Fowler - June 1
Andrew Murr - June 5
Charlie Harr - June 7
Shane Jackson - June 10
Scott Suchomski - June 11
Gloria Palacios - June 22
Ed Anderson - June 28
David Williams - 30

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Congratulations to the following members who are celebrating their Rotary anniversary this month:

Ellie Kittrell - 1 year
Joy Marie Doan - 2 years
Michael Shope - 3 years
Lynne Fugate - 5 years
Mike Rentenbach - 5 years
Thomas Sullivan - 6 years
Chris Lambert - 7 years
Emma Webb - 11 years
David Williams - 11 years
Mark Webb - 13 years
Rob Carter - 16 years
Wesley Price - 17 years
Suzanne Carriere - 21 years
Ginny Morrow - 35 years
Terry Igoe - 36 years
Frank Addicks - 46 years

AREA ROTARY CLUBS

Monday: Lenoir City-12Noon, First Baptist Church, 2085 Simpson Road East; Oak Ridge Sunset-5:30pm, Emory Valley Center

Tuesday: Clinton-12Noon, Clinton Community Center; Loudon-12Noon, Blairland Baptist Church

Wednesday: Farragut-12:15, Fox Den Country Club; Knoxville Breakfast-7:00am, Gus's World Famous Chicken; Maryville-12Noon, Blount County Public Library; Morristown-12Noon, Morristown Country Club; Oak Ridge Breakfast-7:15am, The Unitarian Universalist Church of Oak Ridge;

Knoxville Community Rotaract- First Wednesday of the month, 5:45pm Albright Grove Brewing Co.

Thursday: North Knoxville-12Noon, Anafres Grill & Market; Oak Ridge-11:45am, Doubletree Hotel;

Friday: Knoxville Volunteer-12Noon, Church Street UMC; Bearden-12:15pm, Bearden Banquet Hall

