

# Rotary



## Club of Dayton SMILE



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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### Birthdays



Rachel Butt  
May 18th

William R. Nance  
May 21st

### This Week at Rotary

**MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021**

### ***"Panel Discussion on FULFILLMENT: Winning & Losing in One-Click America"***



**PANELISTS:** 1. Cassie Barlow, Ph.D. -President at Southwestern Ohio Council for Higher Education  
2. Shannon Cox, Superintendent - Montgomery County Educational Service Center  
3. Shawn Waldman, President Secure Cyber Defense

Erik Collins, Director of Community & Economic Development for Montgomery County, will be hosting a panel who are uniquely integrated into the workforce and economic development fabric of the Dayton Region. Hear their initial takeaway from the recent Alec MacGillis appearance, how they are working to create a more diverse and complete workforce to strengthen the Dayton region's economy, and what you as a Rotarian can do to strengthen the Dayton Region.

Chair of the Day: Erik Collins

### This Happened Last Monday...

Rotarians were randomly assigned to breakout rooms by Fran Rickenbach. Approximately 85 members and guest came together at approximately 12:15 p.m. for the main meeting. President Brian Martin opened the meeting and, after welcoming remarks, turned it over to Bill Nance.

Bill reminded all that last week was the 70th Annual National Day of Prayer the theme this year was Lord pour out your love life and liberty. Bill's invocation focused on real love, authentic love and unconditional love. He then led us in the 4-Way Test and the Pledge of Allegiance. He then shared the news of the day and weather.

Kim Bramlage welcomed visitors and guests. She then announced this week's birthdays - all celebrating on May 11: Amy Radachi, Tim Hoffman and David Fogarty. Happy Birthday to all! Quick reminder that the Cycling to Serve committee will be getting together on May 13th to organize for the seasons bike rides. She then moved into Day-10s. She kicked it off with a Day-25 for having several dignitaries in attendance last week celebrating Five Rivers Health Centers. Also to celebrate becoming a home owner after 13 years renting. Paul Gruner gave a Day-25 for Carolyn Rice who was having knee surgery today. Thom Kramer gave 2 Day-25's one for each of his sons who are finishing up their



Jacquelyn Y. Powell  
May 22nd

first year of college successfully. Erik Collins gave a Day-50 for his Paul Harris to recognize all his guests online. Kim then turned the program back over to President Brian. Who then gave a Day-50 for his step-son graduating from Eastern Kentucky University.

Brian then called on Sarah Hippenstell Hall to make an announcement on RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Sophomores and Juniors to attend a leadership development weekend at Camp Kern in the fall. We have two weeks to get applicants to apply the committee will then review the applicants and forward on to the district. If you have a student suggestion please contact Sarah. President Brian then called on Mayor Nan Whaley, chair of the day to introduce our speaker for the day, Alec MacGillis.

## Speakers

### May 17, 2021

[Roundtable Discussion on the Book by Alec MacGillis.](#)

Fulfillment: Winning and Losing in One-Click America

### May 24, 2021

[Amanda DeLotelle, Executive Director](#)

Miami Valley Meals

### June 07, 2021

[Rob Signom, Curator](#)

America's Packard Museum

### June 14, 2021

[Pam Plageman](#)

Dayton Convention Center

### June 21, 2021

[John Gower](#)

Wright Dunbar 2.0

### June 28, 2021

[Brian Martin & Shaun Yu](#)

Changing of the Rotary Guard

Alec spoke to his interest in Dayton which began in 2012 when he first came out to cover voting in Ohio and he has been back several times to cover various stories. The book really started in a sense here in Dayton. The book is about Amazon's America but more broadly about regional inequality in America between winner take all cities primarily on the coast and a whole set of other larger cities that aren't sharing in the wealth and prosperity. Alec really started to notice this in the year of the Obama campaign and observing the divide between DC region wealth and prosperity and disconnect from midwest cities and other cities around the country. He spoke about a young couple featured in his book that he met during a time when he was shooting a documentary that were living in the shelter system. Sarah was living in the family shelter with the kids and Todd was living in the mens shelter despite having a job making cardboard boxes partly for Amazon which is what helped him think of Amazon as a frame for regional disparity and inequality in America. He chose Amazon as a frame for 2 reasons to tell a story for regional inequality that the company is so ubiquitous now it so permeates our lives in so many ways and Amazon and the other tech giants are helping to drive this regional disparity. It is now being sucked into certain cities where these companies reside. Media ad revenue use to be spread throughout the country and now 60% of digital ad revenue are controlled by google and facebook and the revenue flows in the areas where those companies are. Certain cities become headquarter cities with high paying jobs and other towns becoming "warehouse" towns. Dayton's was a good city to tell part of that story as he knew his way around, the personal story of Todd and Sarah and the story of Dayton's transformation is iconic for a book like this. You have a city that truly was silicon valley of its time and while still retaining small manufacturing and manufacturing innovation has gone through a wrenching transformation with manufacturing loses that we are making our way in a different type of logistics economy of moving goods that are mostly manufactured elsewhere. What our area has going for it is location. Mayor Whaley then shared a few comments on the book and then facilitated questions from the chat from Rotarians Alec feels that dealing with the giants and especially the tech giants dispersing growth and prosperity throughout the country would go along way with this disparity. Infrastructure spending will help those cities who need it most. Trade Policies have greatly affected places such as Dayton. Dayton is a representative of a much larger group of cities with lessons for local leaders what can the city itself do to fit into the local landscape. The goal of the book is getting people to care about what is happening in cities like Dayton. The Amazon effect has been so much stronger in this last year all the commerce being drained from local communities was so much more extreme this past year 44% increase in sales year to year, 50% more warehouse space, 400,000 more employees, stock almost doubled. Alec stressed the importance that we return to our physical world after this terrible year that we have been through. We must shop our local businesses and to reengage in our community not rely on the screen and one click to rely on for shopping, food delivery and other aspects of our lives fulfilling our wish an hour or a day later and not even acknowledging them. Reengage with the physical space around us.

President Brian thanked Alec for coming and the conversation and encouraged Rotarians to tune in next Monday for part 2 panel discussion on the subject led by our own Erik Collins.

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## Rotarians Volunteers Needed to Help with Water Safety Education Day

Rotarian Kelly Lehman recently spent some time in the office labeling Josh The Baby Otter Books for donation to children in our community as part of our Water Safety project. The books were originally to be distributed last Spring/Summer but that was postponed due to COVID.

The Rotary Water Safety Day is now set for **Saturday, May 29 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**. From 10-Noon, we will be at Gem City Market in the Community Room and from 12:30-3:00, we will be down the street a couple blocks at 160 Salem Avenue at the

Expressions of Life Community Outreach Center Open House which will be having a day of children's activities, community gardening and health screenings.

Kelly still needs a couple more volunteers to help with the event. You will be reading the book to the children and helping to pass out materials to the children and their parents.

If this is something you may be interested in helping with please email Kelly at [kellymarielehman@gmail.com](mailto:kellymarielehman@gmail.com) or you may reach her by phone at 937-760-4100.



## Dayton Rotary Cycling to Serve

What: **Dayton Rotary Cycling to Serve**  
2021 Organizational Meeting  
Who: All Rotarians and any Cycling Friends  
Why: Please join in with your ideas for Rotary bicycling rides and events for 2021  
When: Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 6:00pm  
Where: Dayton Beer Company Patio (hopefully weather permitting otherwise, indoors, socially distanced)



## Join the Dayton Rotary Golf League



The Dayton Rotary Golf League is playing at Community Golf Course on the Dales Course this year on Wednesday nights. They currently have 3 tee times starting at 5:22, but can get more if needed.

### Breakdown on Cost:

There is a 1-time seasonal fee of \$10. (Jim has already paid it for the league, so each golfer will need to pay that to him when you first show up to play)

### Weekly costs are as follows:

9 holes with cart - \$21, \$19 for seniors (age 60 & above).  
9 holes walking - \$14, \$12 for seniors.

If you want a cart alone it is \$5 more. The carts have dividers.



## Save the Date for the RI Virtual Convention



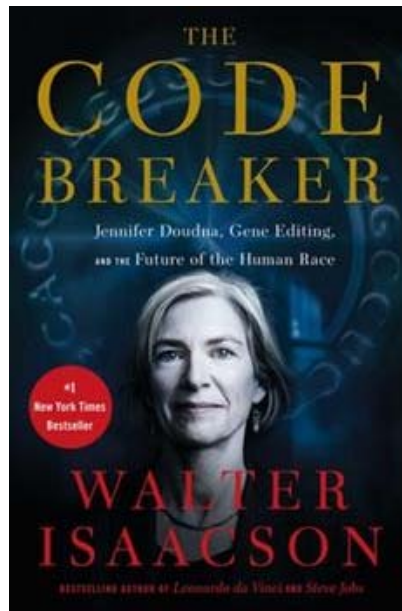
### Virtual Convention Registration

The Virtual Convention will be open to all Rotary members and participants. Event registration will open in mid-April and will include a promotional fee of \$49 for 21 days, with an increase afterward to \$65. The cost of each pre-convention event is \$20. Both the convention and

pre-convention events include access to the House of Friendship. Please continue to check back for more details and updates.

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## Rotary Book Club



Our next book is **The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing, and the Future of the Human Race**, by Walter Isaacson. Walter has written at least ten books, and you will enjoy his writing style.

**Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 8, 2021, 6:30 - 8:00 PM.**

Happy reading!

Please contact Dr. Susan Hayes for any questions.  
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937 750 7400

Additional meetings in 2021 are 8/10/21, 10/12/21, 12/14/21, 6:30 - 8:00 PM via Zoom

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