

Greeter: TBD

Rotary Club of Springfield #2387

Established June 1, 1919

Invocation, Pledge, & Four Way Test: Michael Overton

This Week at Rotary:

Wanna Play Catch, Ethan Bryan



Ethan D. Bryan is a storyteller and the author of a dozen books including *A Year of Playing Catch*, which was a finalist for the 2020 Casey Award,

given to the best baseball book of the year.

His writings have earned him an opportunity to speak at the National Baseball Hall of Fame, an invitation to the White House for the Royals World Series championship, and multiple appearances on ESPN.

Bald since the age of six, Ethan knows about overcoming and persevering through personal obstacles. He believes that Dr Pepper and burnt ends makes up the meal of champions. A graduate of Delaware, Jarrett, Kickpoo, and Missouri State, Ethan is convinced that Fun Acre is one of the most amazing places on the planet.

Ethan lives in Springfield, Missouri with his wife, Jamie, at the house with the whale painted on the fence.

Coming Attractions

Next Week, **Mar. 26**—Weaver Elementary School Presentation

Apr. 2—What is Rotary? (Rotary Membership Drive Presentation)

Upcoming Calendar Events:

Mar. 26—Board Meeting at Kentwood Hall, 10:30am **Mar. 28**—CASA SWMO (volunteers needed to assist with stuffing envelopes for the upcoming gala, CASAblanca), 10-2pm

Apr. 19-21—Rotary District 6080 Conference at Margaritaville, Osage Beach

May 8—All-City Rotary Meeting at White River Convention Center, noon

Spring Membership Challenge

Do you know someone who is interested in membership or maybe someone who would be a great addition to the club but does not know about Rotary? This is the perfect time to invite them as a guest!

The competition lasts all of March and April. A "What is Rotary?" program is scheduled for April 2nd. Membership applications must be submitted by April 30, 2024 to be counted for points.

How to earn points: Bring a guest, 5pts; "What is Rotary" day guest, 10pts; Completed membership application submitted, 25pts.

The top 4 members with the most points will receive a cash prize!

Upcoming Rotary District Conference

Rotary Districts 6040, 6060, and 6080 will celebrate together to hold a Rotary Funvention at Margaritaville, in Osage Beach, April 19-21. The fun will include Shoes for Orphan Souls Collections, Breakfast/ Brunch, Dinner, Dinner Cruise, Margaritaville Perks, Family Fun Time, and Experiential Rock Start Keynote Speaker from Las Vegas, Marvelless Mark.

Check out some of the area clubs!

SPRINGFIELD NORTH Tuesdays, 7AM, DoubleTree Hotel

SPRINGFIELD METRO Tuesdays, 5 PM, 425 Event Center

SPRINGFIELD SOUTHEAST Thursdays, Noon, Ocean Zen

SPRINGFIELD SUNRISE Wednesdays, 7 AM, Twin Oaks Country Club

ROTARACT CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, Noon, 425 Event Center

OZARK Wednesdays, Noon, Ozark Community Center NIXA

Thursdays, Noon, Nixa Area Chamber of Commerce

March Birthdays

3/3—Kenny Kabak 3/11—Gail Noggle & Danny Perches 3/12—Dwayne Fulk 3/18—Brian Weiler 3/19—David Hinson 3/24—Shelley Evans 3/25—Dee King 3/26—Jaimie Trussell

March Anniversaries

6 years—Rob Blevins 9 years—Becky Borthwick 12 years—Bill Agnew 21 years—Bill Nesbitt 34 years—Annie Busch 38 years—Steve Bach



Board Members: President, Matt Suarez; President-Elect, Lisa Bakerink; Secretary, Melissa Briggs; Past-President, Gail Noggle; Treasurer, Steve Bach; Director, Michael Bishop-Jones; Director, Abby Glen ; Director, Steve Shanholtzer; Director: Trudy Smith; Executive Secretary, Kimberly Pittman

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