

Rotary



Club of Dayton SMILE



This Week at Rotary

MONDAY, April 7, 2025

"Feeding the Line Today, Shortening the Line Tomorrow"

Presented by Lee Lauren Truesdale and Kate McEwen, The Foodbank, Inc.

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John E. Neff
April 8th



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April 9th



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April 9th



Latisha Taylor
April 10th



Jean L. Maychack
April 10th

Jane Keiffer
April 10th



The Foodbank, Inc. is on a mission to eliminate hunger and its root causes. Through their network of 120+ partner agencies, The Foodbank provides more than 18 million pounds of food annually to address food insecurity in Montgomery, Greene, and Preble counties. As an organization, The Foodbank strives to be excellent stewards of the resources entrusted to them, and they are committed to workforce development and continuous improvement. Listen as Lee and Kate highlight The Foodbank's work within both the community and their own organization, and learn how you can support it—because no one should go hungry.

Chair of the Day: Andy Clements

This Happened Last Monday...

President Randy Domigan opened the meeting and invited Bill Nance to give us Words to Live By including to cherish the child within and to find humor in our everyday lives. Bill led us in prayer and the Pledge. The headlines included Amazon's expansion of prime days in 2025, and the dip in retirement planning enthusiasm/confidence. Rotary news included the Wichita Falls clay shoot to raise funds for local events.

Deb Tschirhart came to the podium to welcome guests and visitors. Kappy Kilburn introduced her guests including the team from The Goodwill Easterseals Miami Valley Miracle Clubhouse: Karrie Stock (Chair of Advisor Council), Michaela Leach (Clubhouse coordinator), Brandon Spatz (Advisor Council member) and Kathy Trick (Miracle Clubhouse Program Director). Alexis Larson introduced new Five Rivers Metro Parks sponsorship manager, Andrea Newport. Caryl Segalewitz introduced Amanda Williams, the Development Manager at Goodwill Easterseals Miami Valley. We welcomed our perennial online guest, Tom Carlisle.

Secretary Sarah Hippensteel Hall came to the podium to make club announcements, birthdays, and Day 10s. The birthday folks weren't present except for Rachel Jessup's birthday, which is April 3. Rotary Dines Out is April 17 at Lily's. Rotary Service Day is April 26 and will be clean up along the river with lunch provided after. Rotary Rewards to Adam Horseman because he was the first to sign up for the event. The event is weather-dependent. Rotary on the Road Day is May 19, and members can choose one of 5 places. Rewards go to Frank Scott and Bill Nance who were the first to sign up for the Miami Conservancy site meeting. Sarah encouraged sign ups for the events.

Day 10's

Day 10: Kim Bramlage is happy to be back from her Viking River Cruise and announced landscaping opportunities on April 26th rather than river edge clean-up more to come on this

Day 10: Terra Williams for the Red Ribbon Committee project.

Day 200: Rachel Jessup: for her birthday and the money is to go to the Red Ribbon Project

Day 100: Richard Lundin from Front Street: for the Red Ribbon Project; Food Truck Rally, First Friday Art Hop; East Dayton clean up

Day 39: Kappy Kilburn of Human Race Theatre to Red Ribbon Project and to celebrate the Human Race Camelot Production

Day 50: April Hale for her recent nuptials and her return to Rotary.

Day 100: Surendra Singhvi for Bill Nance promoting his book and the return of his wife from her vacation

The water fact was about coloring the river green in Chicago for St. Patrick's Day, a tradition started as a joke by the plumber's union in 1962. The tradition has continued, and the dye is allegedly plant-based and environmentally friendly. Sarah emphatically believes that Dayton should not do this!

President Randy returned to the podium and introduced 2 new members. The first was April Hale who was welcomed back to the club. Dental industry and strategic accountant manager and passionately advocates for dental health and community care. She serves Board President of Special Wish Foundation of SW Ohio and a grass roots advocate for oral health progress through Care Quest. She lives in Kettering with her husband Jon and Beau, her rescue dog.

The second member is Mary McDonald who was named an honorary member. She has a storied and extensive record in local politics, starting as the first African American elected as a Montgomery County commissioner and ending as being the Mayor of the City of Trotwood in 2023. In Trotwood she was a transformative leader, and her efforts included revitalization of economic development in the City of Trotwood, and surrounding areas, including manufacturing, housing and new businesses. She ensured Trotwood's voices were heard. She has received numerous awards for her efforts in community development and for her leadership roles. She is the proud mother of 3 and grandmother of 4.

Kappy Kilburn was called to the podium to introduce our speakers for the day. Team members from The Goodwill Easterseals Miami Valley Miracle Clubhouse were introduced. Brandon Spatz has been a member since 2016, and advocate for change in the way we look at mental health issues. He is also a Miracle Clubhouse international faculty member and other organizations. Kathy Trick is the Program Director for the Clubhouse. Her focus is to erase the stigma associated with mental illness. She watched her brother suffer from mental illness and from lack of empathy and services. She has an MA from University of Dayton, and in 2016 was voted in as 40 under 40 winner. Her 3 sons keep her on the go. Michaela Leach is the program coordinator with the Clubhouse and received her MA from the University of Kentucky. She worked at WSU and interned at the Miracle Clubhouse and fell in love with the model. She is a new mom and that occupies much of her time.



Caryl A. Segalewitz
April 12th



William R. Martin
April 12th



Tracey Tomme
April 12th

Speakers

April 07, 2025

[Red Ribbon Takeover Meeting - Lee Lauren Truesdale & Kate McEwen, The Foodbank](#)

Feeding the Line Today, Shortening the Line Tomorrow

April 14, 2025

[Katie Neubert, We Care Arts](#)

April 21, 2025

[Gregory Bowles, Head of Government Affairs](#)

Joby Aviation

April 28, 2025

[Gerri Pegues, Assistant Montgomery County Administrator](#)
The Human Services Levy

May 05, 2025

[Gil Turner, Director of Aviation, City of Dayton](#)
Dayton International Airport Update

May 12, 2025

[Emily Wells](#)
40th Anniversary of the Human Race Theatre

May 19, 2025

[Rotary on the Road](#)

May 26, 2025

[NO MEETING - MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY](#)

June 02, 2025

[Ryan Ernst, Partner, The Connor Group](#)
Expansion of the Greater Dayton School

June 09, 2025

[Barbra Stonerock/ Joe Sciabica](#)
Employers' Workforce Coalition

June 16, 2025

[Update on Aileron](#)

June 23, 2025

[IBD](#)

June 30, 2025

[Randy Domigan & Linda Groover](#)
Changing of the Rotary Guard

July 07, 2025

[Terra Fox Williams, YWCA Dayton](#)

July 14, 2025

[Andrew White, Indigo Life Media](#)

The Miracle Clubhouse Team came to the podium to educate us about the organization. Michaela explained what programs are provided at the Clubhouse. It is a place where adults with serious mental illness volunteer to participate in their own recovery process by working and socializing together in a safe, welcoming environment. There is housing, employment and medical/psychological opportunities offered through the clubhouse. One year at the clubhouse costs less than a week in the hospital. The club heard testimonials from people who have benefited from utilizing the high-impact services from, and working at, the clubhouse.


Brandon informed us that Clubhouse International has proven model of over 70 years (since 1948) and has clubhouses across Ohio and the country. There are currently 370 clubhouses in 36 states and 32 countries. There are 12 international training bases worldwide. Brandon travels all over the country to ensure that the clubhouses are following the model which includes 37 standards. Psychiatric rehabilitation includes those standards, along with a work-focused day, employment and education, community integration and support, promotes health and wellness, addresses housing issues, and promotes community education and advocacy. Employment is a large part of recovery. Miracle Clubhouse employment is described as transitional employment, which was described on the pamphlets left on tables. Miracle Clubhouse is always looking for community partners who can employ members in an entry-level position if there is a gap or an employee leave situation experienced by the partner. The member is often hired on a full-time basis after the transition period. Brandon shared his personal experience with mental illness and the help and hope he found as a member of Miracle Clubhouse, and now that he works for the organization. Clubhouses have 2 units or departments: hospitality and business. The hospitality unit focuses on providing staff and member prepared lunches and cleanliness of the club. The business unit focuses on budget, revenue, and newsletter issues.

Kathy Trick discussed ways to support Miracle Clubhouse in its mission. One of the most impactful ways to help is by local businesses becoming partners with the Clubhouse and hiring its members. Each year there is a fundraiser through Goodwill Easter seals Miami Valley called "We Are Mental Illness". It will be held on May 15 and tickets are available on Goodwill's website. The Clubhouse is funded through Goodwill Easter Seals and its programs are mission-based. They also receive grants and personal donations. The club serves 25-30 members per day.

Kim Bramlage drew the lucky number for the Queen of Hearts but did not draw the lucky card. The pot will increase from today's total of \$1380. Next week's speakers will be Lauren Lee Truesdale and Kate McEwen, of The Foodbank, Inc. We were led in the reciting of the Four Way Test. Next week will be Red Ribbon Take Over meeting. President Randy then adjourned the meeting.


[Link for Meeting Recording](#)

Support the Red Ribbon Takeover Day Project...Helping the Foodbank




Rotary Club of Dayton

Please Mark Your Calendar:
Red Ribbon Takeover Day is Monday, April 7th.



DONATE NOW



The Foodbank
Solving Hunger in the Miami Valley

Your contribution through the
Rotary Club of Dayton's Red Ribbon Project
helps ensure The Foodbank can continue to fight
hunger effectively while empowering its workforce.

Together, we can make a difference!
THANK YOU for your support.

The Dayton Rotary Club's Red Ribbon Committee would like to share some exciting news about an upcoming project that has the entire team at The Foodbank – as well as their partners, buzzing with anticipation—our **Red Ribbon Takeover Day on April 7!**

We realize that not everyone can always attend our meetings, so we wanted to ensure you are fully aware of this incredible opportunity to make a lasting impact in our community.

Our project aims to help The Foodbank improve its inventory management system, ensuring food gets to those who need it most, faster and more efficiently. As you may know, The Foodbank plays a critical role in our community, distributing over 18 million pounds of food annually across Montgomery, Greene, and Preble counties. However, they need our help to take their operations to the next level. Through your generous support, we can help them purchase handheld scanners—essential tools that will streamline their food distribution process and significantly reduce waste. These scanners will enhance efficiency by an estimated 75%, directly benefiting the 119 food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters they support. For your reference, I have attached some additional information regarding the program.

Your contribution will help us make a tangible difference in our community, advancing The Foodbank's vital mission. With your help, we can continue the fight against hunger and create meaningful opportunities for those in need.

We are incredibly grateful for the support you've shown in the past, and today, we ask for your continued partnership. Making a donation is easy: you can make a contribution through our [Rotary Club website](#). Alternatively, if you'd like to make a "Day 10" donation, just let us know, and we'll gladly assist you with the process.

Thank you for your generous support and your ongoing commitment to service above self. Together, we can create lasting change in the lives of those who need it most.

Rotary on the Road to be Held on May 19th

On May 19th we will hold our Spring Rotary on the Road Event. On this day, we will not meet in our usual location at Sinclair Community College. Instead, we will split up and choose from several different Rotarian Host Locations.

HOST LOCATIONS

Rotary



- Miami Conservancy District
- United Rehabilitation Services
- Premier YMCA
- The Dayton International Peace Museum
- Dayton Children's Mathile Center for Mental Health & Wellness

Sign Up Early as Space is Limited

**note some sites are nearing max capacity so please give Laura your first and second choices.

Welcome to Dayton Rotary!

NEW MEMBER PROFILE



April Womack Hale brings over 23 years of expertise in the dental industry, where she has excelled in cultivating strong relationships and honing her skills as a Strategic Account Manager. Growing up with a father who is a pediatric dentist, April developed an early passion for oral health and community care, which continues to drive her professional success. Beyond her career, she passionately serves as Board President of A Special Wish Foundation of Southwest Ohio and as a grassroots advocate for Oral Health Progress and Equity Network through CareQuest.

April lives in Kettering, Ohio, with her husband, Jonathan Hale, whom she married on October 7, 2023. Together, they share a love for traveling and enjoy life with their beloved rescue dog, Beau. Her leadership, effective communication, and event management skills inspire her to create lasting impacts in both her profession and the community.

April Womack Hale
DASH Medical Gloves
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Kettering, Ohio 45429
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Welcome to Dayton Rotary!

NEW HONORARY MEMBER PROFILE



Mary A. McDonald begins her first term as Montgomery County Commissioner after being the first African American elected to the role. She concluded her tenure as Mayor of the City of Trotwood, Ohio, in 2023, after serving with distinction. She began her public service on the Trotwood City Council in 2005 and was elected Mayor in 2016.

As Mayor, Mary was a transformative leader who championed Trotwood's growth and revitalization. Her efforts attracted several million dollars in capital investment, repurposed underutilized retail spaces, and addressed infrastructure challenges that had been neglected for over 45 years. Under her leadership, the city achieved significant milestones, including reversing a potential financial crisis, improving Trotwood's Moody's bond rating to AAA, and fostering economic development that brought numerous major corporations to the area. Companies such as Stratacache, Specialty Manufacturing, Korrekt Plumbing Heating and Air, and many others have contributed to the city's thriving economy.

Mary also spearheaded the development of market-rate housing, marking the first new home construction in Trotwood in over 17 years. One of her signature initiatives was the renovation and reopening of the Trotwood Community and Cultural Arts Center, which now hosts Central State University. This partnership has expanded educational and agricultural opportunities for residents of Trotwood and the surrounding region.

Through her advocacy and collaboration with state and federal leaders, Mary has ensured that Trotwood's voice is heard, bringing resources and benefits that will have a lasting impact on the community. Her vision and dedication have firmly established Trotwood as a regional leader in economic development and homeownership.

Mary's community involvement extends beyond her elected duties. She serves on the Boards of Trustees for Goodwill Easterseals and Discover Classical (88.1 and 89.9 FM). She co-chaired the Trotwood Community Improvement Corporation (TCIC).

Her achievements have been widely recognized. Mary is a recipient of the Humanitarian Award from the National Conference for Community & Justice of Greater Dayton, the YWCA Women of Influence Award, and the Visionary Leadership Award from Leadership Ohio, among many others. The Better Business Bureau's Women in Business Networking program named her one of the "25 Women to Watch," and she is a proud alumna of Leadership Ohio's prestigious 2021 cohort.

Mary is equally dedicated to her family. She is the proud mother of Alexandra "Kate" (Shamel) Rivers and Daniel Allen Caldwell, and a loving grandmother and "GiGi" to Sydney, London, and Zahra Rivers.

Mary McDonald
Montgomery County Commission
451 West Third Street

Queen of Hearts Drawing

Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle

Weekly at Monday Meetings to benefit the Dayton Rotary Foundation

\$1 per ticket/\$5 for 6 tickets

Weekly winner draws a card from the deck if they draw the Queen of Hearts the winner takes ½ the pot. If the card is not the Queen of Hearts card then the card is destroyed & we try again next week. Meanwhile the pot continues to grow.

CURRENT POT: \$1480

See Secretary Sarah or Laura for more information.

ATTENTION ZOOM PARTICIPANTS

****For those members who would like to participate via zoom - please let Laura know ahead of time or place your request in the chat prior to the start of the meeting and we will assign you ticket numbers and bill your foundation account.

RULES FOR THIS ROUND

- You must be present to win and/or purchase tickets (either in person or on zoom)
- The drawing is for members of the Dayton Rotary only.
- The winner will need to complete a W-9 form and will be issued a W2-G form.
- The drawing will go to the very last card.



Join Us for River Clean Up Day

The Rotary Club of Dayton is Partnering with the Rotary Club of Kettering to Make the River Cleaner!



Join Us for River Clean-Up Day!

Help keep our local waterways clean and beautiful! Join fellow club members for a **fun and easy** river clean-up. We'll provide **grabbers, gloves, and bags**—all you need to bring is your energy and enthusiasm! Plus, stick around afterward for a **free lunch** to celebrate our hard work!

Date: April 26

Location: Downtown Dayton (parking information TBD closer to date)

Time: 9-11AM

This is an **easy walking cleanup**, perfect for all ages and abilities. Let's make a difference together while enjoying the great outdoors!

Sign up [here](#) today!

We Need Your Help...Please Help Us Secure Sponsorships for Summerfest 2025



Summerfest, presented by the Rotary Club of Dayton, is back for a fun-filled night of music and community! This summer, we're going to pack the Levitt Pavilion and close out summer with a bang.

Don't miss your chance to connect with thousands of your neighbors while supporting the great work of the Rotary Club of Dayton Foundation - sponsor Summerfest 2025! All proceeds support our Foundation, a 501(c)3 that provides grant funding to nonprofit organizations throughout the Miami Valley.

SUMMERFEST 2025
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
LEVITT PAVILION DAYTON
6:00PM – 9:30PM

Featuring



It's that time – we need SPONSORS for SUMMERFEST 2025 presented by the Rotary Club of Dayton! Please reach out to business leaders you know and ask if they are interested in sponsoring this great community event! Sponsor packet is available for [download here](#). Please let Scott Kayser (scott@muddydogcreative.com) and Kim Bramlage (Kim.Bramlage@frhc.org) know who you are approaching so we don't duplicate efforts. Thank you for your help making this a successful event!

The Social Committee Presents...Rotary Dines Out at Lilys

Rotary Dines Out



Thursday, April 17th

6:00 p.m.

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Lily's

329 East Fifth Street ~ Oregon District

Lily's Dayton is a warm, welcoming and quirky restaurant with a bar program that focuses on tiki-inspired cocktails and an eclectic, elevated-but-casual global menu.

Gather with Fellow Rotarians to Enjoy a Meal.

Pay your own Dinner/Drinks tab.

Round of Appetizers is on Dayton Rotary.



**Spouses and Guests
Welcome!**

Reservations to laura@daytonrotary.com

**Space is Limited to 20
so Reserve Early!**





Magic of Rotary GALA

FRIDAY APRIL 25, 2025
5:30-10:00PM



WRIGHT PATT AIR FORCE MUSEUM

Tickets \$65.00 - Register at www.dacdb.com- MY CLUB TAB

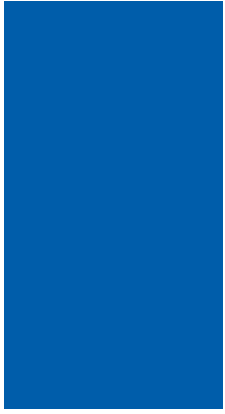
Please come early to tour the museum until 5:00 pm.
Recognition of Rotarians, Dinner, Keynote Speaker,
Presentation from the Environmental Committee, District 6670 Meeting & More!
Dress: Business Casual, Rotary Polos are Great!

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