

# Rotary



## Club of Dayton SMILE



### This Week at Rotary

MONDAY, October 10, 2022

Sinclair Community College - or on Zoom

"Moving Dayton Forward"



Dayton Mayor Jeffrey Mims will apprise fellow Rotary club members on his passion of Dayton and how he will use his broad experience to move the city forward. The Mayor will touch on a wide variety of topics such as his recent trip to the Whitehouse with fellow Ohio mayors, Wi-Fi at the City Rec Centers, the Good Sam redevelopment site, his recent Neighborhood Conversation & Canvass Tour, Wright-Dunbar Neighborhood developments, the Neighborhood Conference and new homes coming to the Wolf Creek neighborhood.

Chair of the Day: Walt Hibner

## IMAGINE ROTARY

### Club Leaders



Walter A. Hibner  
President



Kimberly M. Bramlage  
President-Elect



Randall K. Domigan  
Vice President



Linda Groover  
Secretary



Matthew J. Scarr  
Treasurer



Shaun Yu  
iPast President



Elizabeth C. Huber  
Assistant Governor

### Birthdays



Rebecca A. Benna  
October 10th



Patricia H. Caruso  
October 11th



Paul W. Gruner  
October 12th



Wilbert Curtis  
October 15th

Julie Deacon

### This Happened Last Monday...

President Walt Hibner called the meeting to order at 12:10 and called on Bill Nance to give the Invocation, and lead in the 4-Way Test, Pledge to the Flag, and News of the Day. There have been at least 80 deaths from hurricane Ian and the toll is expected to climb. Recovery efforts will run into the tens of billions of dollars for residents of Florida and the Carolinas. Meanwhile today, President Biden will visit Puerto Rico to announce a 60 million plan for recovery efforts there from hurricane Fiona. The Rotary Club of Saratoga, California has been a continuing presence at Marth's Soup Kitchen in San Jose where members prepare food once a month. The club coordinated the 95-thousand-dollar purchase of a refrigerated box truck to help. And the Rotary Club of Bangalore West, India has given 30 thousand dollars to help feed the people in the San Jose region. Two New Jersey lawmakers have introduced bills that would require retail membership clubs in the garden state to permit anyone to buy gasoline at their pumps, not just paid members. Costco, in July, ended an 18-year deal that allowed everyone in the state to buy gas at their low prices. The bills, if passed, would again require places like Costco and Sam's Club to offer their gas to everyone. It is not known if the trend will spread to other states. Complimenting a stranger on the street is the top thing adults would most like to do in public, but don't have the nerve, according to a poll from the U.K. 40 percent of two thousand adults surveyed consciously limit themselves in life because they fear of being criticized. The study by one poll revealed that going to the movies alone, singing aloud and walking barefoot are other unconventional activities people are too embarrassed to indulge in. A first-time visitor to Indonesia was traveling on a bus when she felt a tug at the back of her head. The guy sitting behind her had cut off 16 inches of her hair. A nearby officer arrested the guy, who said he had intended to use the hair to make key chains.

Pam Plageman welcomed visitors and guests which included: Kim Bramlage had with her Jill Weaver with Universal One Credit Union. Kathleen Carlson brought Josh Copeland, Motivational Speaker. Will Coutts brought Shannon Bozemen, Village Network. Lorna Dawes brought Nancy Farkas, Irongate Realty and Lisa Wagner brought Abbey Brown from Levitt Pavilion Dayton.

Secretary Linda Groover recognized birthdays for the week: Sharlet Briggs, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, President Kettering Medical Center;

Judd Plattenburg, October 6<sup>th</sup>, President Oregon Printing; Jim Deuser, October 8<sup>th</sup>, Retired; Lonnie Franks, October 8<sup>th</sup>, Executive Consultant at Lighthouse Technologies.

Announcements included a Fall Fireside Chat at the Home of Annie Foes – Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:00 PM. "What to Love about Scary Cheese and Meat". This event is limited to 15 reservations. Rotarians only for this event. Please RSVP to Laura. Only 4 spots open for Red Ribbons, and we are taking names for a waiting list for anyone else. Kimberly Spurgeon shared we kicked off Rotary Reads last week, announcing reading to displaced children at the YWCA in Dayton, and that we still need volunteers. Thank you all for supporting this important initiative. Kathleen Carlson reminded the group about the ongoing Coats+ Program which has now raised 50% of its goal of \$5,000. Bring a Guest Day will take place on Monday, October 31st so please start thinking about who you could bring as a prospective member to find out more about Rotary. Register your guest via the link in the SMILE or let Laura know who you will be bringing as a guest, including their contact information.

Secretary Linda then called for voluntary Day-10s. Steve Conklin who missed his recent birthday gave a Day- \$100 to the coat project. He thanked the group for their support over the summer, while in between jobs and announced that he has landed at Grismer Tire. Lorna Dawes gave a Day-\$50 to the coat project. Chuck Watts, a Rotarian since 1981 and CEO of the Empathy Surplus Networks USA, where human rights go local, gave a Day-\$10, for weekly adult forum on How to Talk to Swing Voters, meetings on Wednesdays at 6:45 PM. On October 12<sup>th</sup>, we are discussing cognitive scientist George Lakoff's, "Moral Politics: How Liberals and Conservatives Think." All are welcome to join for the two sessions in October, three in November and three in December. The winter adult forum begins the first Wednesday in January and will feature Dr. Lakoff's bestselling book, "Whose Freedom? The Battle Over America's Most Important Idea". Sign up [empathysurplus.com/human-rights-adult-education](http://empathysurplus.com/human-rights-adult-education). Steve Naas spoke to the small but mighty, old green cemetery, awork in progress, Rotarians are about friends, making friends and blessed to make lots of friends through the club. Earlier in June, the cemetery was abandoned, thanks to all who have come out to help with clean up. He also reminded the group that Bowling starts next Monday as well. Talk to you your captain.

Heath McAlpine spoke about his stepson Lucas who met his best friend, Zoey in elementary school but then the relationship Blew up in middle school he went to high school out of state but the would speak periodically they started dating each other in college. Heath was happy to announce that Zoey and Lucas married last Friday in his back yard. He gave a Day-\$250 to his Paul Harris to celebrate the marriage. Jean Maychack gave a Day-10, for each of her family members, parents, brother, other brother, sister and nephew. Came out unscathed from the recent hurricane in



October 16th



Sulabha Dange  
October 17th

## Speakers

**October 10, 2022**  
[Mayor Jeffrey Mims](#)  
What's Happening in the City of Dayton

**October 17, 2022**  
[John Cunningham](#)  
[Athletic Director](#)  
University of Cincinnati Athletics

**October 24, 2022**  
[Gilbert Turner](#)  
[Director](#)  
Dayton International Airport

**October 31, 2022**  
[Randy Overbeck](#)  
Things Still Go Bump in the Night

**November 07, 2022**  
[Club Assembly](#)

**November 14, 2022**  
[Jimmy Stockwell](#)  
Little Fish Brewing Company

**November 21, 2022**  
[Dennis Andersh](#)  
Parallax Advanced Research

**November 28, 2022**  
[Dr. Elizabeth Lolli](#)  
Dayton Public Schools Update

**December 05, 2022**  
[Jason Praeter](#)  
[altaFiber](#)  
How Fiberoptics are Going to Change the World

**December 12, 2022**  
[Holiday Sweepstakes & Elections](#)

**December 19, 2022**  
[Holiday Program](#)  
Carillon Brass Quintet

**December 26, 2022**  
[NO MEETING - HAPPY HOLIDAYS](#)

**January 02, 2023**  
[NO MEETING - HAPPY HOLIDAYS](#)

**January 09, 2023**  
[Chief Glenna Wallace](#)

**January 16, 2023**  
[NO MEETING - MLK HOLIDAY](#)

**January 23, 2023**  
[Greg Darling](#)  
[Executive Director](#)  
[The Disability Foundation](#)  
What You Should Know About Pooled Special Needs Trusts

**January 30, 2023**  
[Michael Riordan](#)  
[President & CEO](#)  
Premier Health

Florida. Judd Plattenburg gave a Day-\$100 for his birthday for the coats project. Lonnie Franks on Zoom gave a Day-\$100 to his Paul Harris for his birthday. Suren Singhvi gave a Day-\$50 for the coat project.

During President's Time Walt Hibner reminded the group we were down to 13 cards in the deck. That the club is getting back to somewhat of a normal status after Covid shut us down and we had to pivot to Zoom. The Social committee is now up and going strong. The Peace committee is still going strong and we are restarting Rotary Reads continuing with Coats Plus. We are holding another Bring a Guest Day and the meetings have come back with full tables. Past President Shaun Yu announced the nominating committee and that they would be soliciting names of Rotarians interested in serving in Club Leadership positions. He reminded those that just because you have served in past, doesn't mean can't serve again. He also reminded the group that this Sunday is Tour de Gem. We are manning 1 of the stops. 9 am – 1 pm, could use a couple more people. Please volunteer.

President Walt then called on Chair of the Day, Karla Garrett Harshaw to introduce our speaker, Tamika Williams-Jeter back to her hometown as the Head Coach of the University of Dayton Women's Basketball Coach. Coach Williams-Jeter has been exceptional at every level of basketball as a player and a coach, and yes, she REALLY is from Dayton. She grew up in Jefferson Twp and most recently, she was head coach at Wittenburg University in Springfield. She is a wife, a mother, and extremely accomplished at what she does. Dayton Daily News reported captured much of her extraordinary background. She started receiving college recruiting letters in 6<sup>th</sup> grade in her home in Jefferson Township. At Chaminade Julienne high School she became the #1 ranked recruit in the nation. She scored 2015 points, and won Ohio Miss Basketball honors at the age 17. She appeared in a 7 page sports illustrated spread. She was wooed by college recruiters. She chose the University of Connecticut where she became National Freshman of the year, scored 1,402 career points, won two national titles, and ended up in the Huskies Ring of Honor. She was a first round draft pick of the Minnesota Lynx, where she made the WNBA's All Rookie Team and played seven seasons. She finished with over 1,400 points and 1,100 rebounds in her career and set a WNBA single season field goal accuracy record in 2003 at 66.8% and that still stands today.

After the WNBA she began her coaching career at Ohio State, Kansas, Kentucky, and Penn State. Last year she served as head coach at Wittenburg where a 10-game winning streak led to a tournament championship, at the NCAA Division III. She has just finished her first week of practice as Head Women's Basketball Coach for the Flyers. Please welcome Tamika Williams-Jeter, a true Dayton Gem!

### Speaker Tamika Williams-Jeter, "What it means to come home"

How does it feel to come back? It was amazing to go away, to learn and grow and gain experiences. It means everything to be back. It is magical to show people how big their world can be. Coach Williams-Jeter spoke about all the experiences she had through the years, from playing basketball to coaching basketball. She had some amazing experiences.

When she was 18, she never thought she would come back to Dayton. Not that its bad, but just because. But she said it was awesome to come back, but she was grateful for the experiences she had along the way. When she got to University of Connecticut it was a big adjustment. She would say Hi to everyone on Campus and on the East Coast they would just stare at people. Her Coach wrote at end of first semester to her parents that she was doing well academically, and he was trying to find 2 people she hadn't introduced herself too. She met wonderful people and took her to the WNBA. Her jobs were in Life, Health property casual insurance license at 18, a tanning salon, a Mexican restaurant and an Italian restaurant, where she served as a hostess for both. Painted inside of off-campus apartments. She was a poor student athlete, with a full ride. In the Pros she got extra benefits if doing community service. Laura Bush called and wanted to bring Tamika in to speak to tough at a book festival in front of the White House. She asked her to do it every year. Tamika was the child of 2 parents who were educators. President Bush instituted a program with 60 athletes that are professionals and Tamika was one of them to go and speak to youth. She traveled to Africa 5x's. She mostly spoke with women on the importance of sports and empowerment. In these places she traveled there were clearing the haves and have nots, and the government controls everything. In South India for 3 months she coached national team. In 2013 she traveled to Ukraine and went to the Embassy and Russia took the Ukrainian president. They had them travel closer and closer to Russia, and talk to high-powered people and ask them to go into a room together. She also traveled to Sri Lanka it was a similar situation but this was due to a religious situation. She worked as a sports analyst for ESPN and then at a Nationwide insurance agency which closed in 2020. Her Dad became sick and to be closer to home, she went to UK for year. After her Dad passed she then went to Penn State. Then the Ohio State with 2 young boys. During Covid, her mom began experiencing severe early dementia. At Wittenberg, she took over as athletic director.

Tamika stated that people matter and nothing is accomplished without great people. How to start at the bottom and get a group of people to believe in something they shouldn't. Coming home means everything to her as she was just a kid from Jefferson Township Ohio who got to experience all these things. Now she is able to give back, and young people can see what can be accomplished. It means everything to be home. Dayton is great. She took the coaching job with UD without seeing new facility. The arena she remembered used to smell like old feet and hot dogs she said. Neil with UD recruited her and they met privately at the UD President's house for a conversation. She didn't have an agent or portfolio, didn't think about applying for the head coach job. They went to her in Columbus to speak again and just 3 days after the other coach quit they offered her the job. They showed her who her staff was and what her budget was. She told them she wouldn't make decisions based on money that she needed to pray on it. She talked with family, prayed over it with family and said no. Her Boss at the time said your kids need to see you, and your mom needs you. So she decided to say yes. She is in the greatest situation and loves going to work every day. She loves seeing her mom progressing in whatever way possible. She goes to the VA cemetery on dark days and her dad gives her wisdom. It is magical to show people how big their world can be. Believe in yourself, you can do anything.

### Q&A

**Where do you see UD women's basketball in 5 years?** Winning the A-10 is standard. A sweet 16, Elite 8, Final 4 is what she wants.

**What do you see happening with sports and naming rights?** Women's sports are different than men's. It is going to take some time.

President Walt presented her with a set of coasters, skyline of Dayton. Tamika drew the winning ticket held by Matt Jessup and he pulled the 7 of hearts. It wasn't a winner. Only 12 cards left now

President Walt announced that next week's speaker is Mayor Jeffrey Mims and he then adjourned the meeting.

## Queen of Hearts Drawing

Queen of Hearts Raffle is Back

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.

### ONLY 12 CARDS LEFT IN THE DECK

*CURRENT POT: \$3981*

See Secretary Linda or Laura for more information.

### ATTENTIOM 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.



## Nominating Committee is Looking for Rotarians Interested in Leadership Positions



The Nominating Committee is beginning the process to prepare a slate of candidates for our December 12th elections. At this time they would like to hear from Rotarians who are interested in serving in a leadership position during the 2023-2024-2023 Rotary year. We will be compiling a list of candidates for club and foundation officers and boards. We will be looking for candidates for Club Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 3 Club Board of Directors (2 year term) and 3 Foundation Trustees (3 year term).

If you have an interest in club leadership at this level, or wish to nominate someone else, then please email [laura@daytonrotary.com](mailto:laura@daytonrotary.com) and let her know by October 17th or you may speak to Shaun Yu.

**Nominating Committee:** Shaun Yu, Chair, Annie Foos, Jack Lohbeck, Jean Maychack, Steve Naas, Kim Bramlage, ex-officio (President-Elect)

## Bring A Guest Day

A flyer for "Bring A Guest Day" at Dayton Rotary. The background is blue with yellow and white text and graphics. The text reads: "DAYTON ROTARY", "BRING A GUEST DAY", "START THINKING ABOUT WHO TO INVITE", "MONDAY OCT 31ST NOON - 1:15PM", "REGISTER YOUR GUEST", and "BIT.LY/ROTARY GUEST". There is a large yellow Rotary International gear logo on the right side. A calendar icon is next to the date and time. The flyer has decorative yellow and white patterns in the corners.

Register Your Guest Here: <https://bit.ly/RotaryGuest>

# Dayton Rotary Social Committee Presents A Fall Fireside Chat



Thursday, October 20, 2022

5:30—7:00 PM

At the Home of

Rotarian Annie Foos

(212 S. Dutoit Street 45402)

Free parking will be available on the streets or in the RSC  
Graphic Parking Lot across from the Bossler Mansion.

*Annie will be featuring*

*"What to Love about Scary  
Cheese and Meat."*



**This event is limited  
to 15 reservations**

**Rotarians only**

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## Coats+ Project Underway and We Need Your Help



Rotary Coats + Committee kicked off the 2022/2023 project with its fundraising campaign. The goal is to raise \$5,000 by November 15<sup>th</sup>. When successful, together with the District match, the committee will have \$8,000 to help poverty-impacted children attend school in appropriate attire.

This year our Rotary Coats + project will support:



1. DPS McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program – support the children of displaced families attend school. Over the course of the year the program will serve upwards of 1,000 children. They particularly need coats.
2. Dayton Leadership Academy a k-8 charter school with more than 400 students located near the Art Institute. Coats and replacement uniforms for some of the students.

Please help support our Rotary Coats + Project by donating today. A gift of \$50 will help us procure a coat for 3 poverty-impacted children. While we know we may not be able to meet all the needs, the Committee would appreciate your support in helping as many as possible. Please let Laura know [laura@daytonrotary.com](mailto:laura@daytonrotary.com) if you would like to pledge a gift to the project. You can either send in a check made payable to the Dayton Rotary Foundation (with coats in the memo line), or we can add your pledge to your Foundation account and you can pay it online.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kathleen Carlson, Rotary Coats + Committee Chair

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