



## Club Meeting

Spirit of St. Louis County  
 Meets at Higher Groundz Coffee & Tea  
 12075 Dorsett Road  
 Maryland Heights, MO 63043  
 Time: Wednesday at 07:00 AM

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## Club Leaders



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[Robert E. Courtney](#)  
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 Sergeant-at-Arms

## Announcements

There were several announcements for the Club this week:

We thanked **Dave Mohler** for his leadership this past Rotary year and presented him with a gift certificate to Russell Hampton, where he can buy all the Rotary wear his heart desires.

The Installation of New Officers was held - **Dan Flynn** (Pres), **Mary Robinette** (Pres-Elect), **David Robinette** (Secretary), **Ruth Randell** (Treasurer), **Dave Mohler** (Immediate Past President), **Al Beinke** (Membership), **Bob Courtney** (Foundation), **Josh Brainerd** (Youth Services), **Mitch Wilson** (Public Image). Pres. Dan asked the Club to support the efforts of the Club and thanked the new officers for staying on in their roles.

Our Club will have an informational booth (tent) set up on August 8th at the Creve Coeur Concert (Millennium Park on Mason behind the hospital). More info to come soon.

The first organizational meeting of the Companion Club went well. There were 2 who attended and they seemed genuinely interested in joining. One of them is **Steve Krazl**, who was our speaker a couple of weeks ago; the other is **Penny Fields-Burnett**, with Humana in St. Louis.

## Happy Bucks and Fines

### Happy Bucks:

- **David Robinette** gave a concerned buck for Mary Robinette, who is down with shingles. (Update - she is getting better, but still has some issues.)
- **Dan Flynn** offered his thanks for those who served the Club last year and those who will serve the Club this year
- **Bob Courtney** had a delightful lunch with his granddaughter
- **Howard Abrans** was happy to be here
- **Dave Mohler** was happy to have our Ted Matkin Scholarship winners with us

### Fines:

- **No fines this week.**

## Last Week's Program

### Program Speaker and Recap:

We welcomed our 2 Ted Matkin Scholarship winners - **ALVIA BUCHANAN** and **EMMANUEL GARCIA MEDINA**, both Ritenour Grads, and their parents.

**Bob Courtney** gave a brief introduction of Ted Matkin; he was a very long-time member of our Club and a graduate of Central Methodist University. Ted was a Methodist minister and never married, but 'adopted' both the Ritenour School District and Parkway North area, serving as scorer for basketball at Parkway North among other things. When Ted passed away, his 2 life insurance policies were divided, one each to Ritenour and Parkway North. It is from those policies that the scholarship money comes.

**Ann Kallemeier** introduced Alvia and Emmanuel who then spoke on their achievements and goals.

**Emmanuel** held dual enrollment at Ritenour and Rankin Tech (diesel mechanics) which pushed his abilities. He had to manage his time properly to accomplish what was needed to graduate from both schools. He plans to open his own Diesel Mechanic Shop, which would cater to the Spanish-speaking population in the area. He is currently employed at Hogan Trucking in their diesel shop.

**Alvia** also held dual enrollment at Ritenour and North County Tech where she got her CNA license upon graduation. She will be attending the University of Tennessee, where she will get her nurses certificate and plans to work in the NICU. She worked 2 jobs while in high school and saved the earnings for her college expenses.

Both these students and the winners from the Spirit Scholarships show us that the youth are doing well and we are in good hands moving to the future!

## This week's meeting Program

Our own **Tom Drannan** will be the program this week. Tom will talk about his Rotary Bike rides - Ride for MESA (medical equipment sent abroad) as well as other bike rides he has recently completed.

And, for anyone who knows Tom, this will be a very entertaining presentation.

## Ponderables....

1. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
3. He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
4. A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
5. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
6. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
8. The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
9. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, someone from Florida would be stupid enough to try to pass them.
10. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
11. The things that come to those who wait, may be the things left by those who got there first.
12. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.
13. Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
14. God gave you toes as a device for finding furniture in the dark.
15. When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people, who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

## Upcoming Meetings

Meeting Dates and Program:

You will see the Weekly Program individuals below. Please notify [Mary Robinette](#), our new Program Chair, of your program, so the calendar and newsletter are current. Also, if there are any specific 'technical' needs the speaker requires, please let Mary know.

Program Assignments, Rotary Year 2024-25, July through December 2024 (Rev June 22 2024)

Date	Meeting Chair	Revised Meeting Chair	Speaker & Topic
July 17 2024	Tom Drennan		Rotary Bike rides - Ride for MESA (medical equipment sent abroad)
July 24 2024	QUARTERLY CLUB ASSEMBLY		
July 31 2024	EVENING SOCIAL		
August 7 2024	SERVICE PROJECT		7 am Service Project. 11:30 am Inner City Meeting at Creve Couer American Legion: Amy Shaw - Channel 9 President and CEO
August 14 2024	Dan Flynn		District 6060 Disaster Response
August 21 2024	Bryan Hercules	Al Beinke	Kevin Amstutz, Major Gifts officer - UCP Heartland supporting people with disabilities
August 28 2024	Jim Law		Angela Gabel, Executive Director - An Introduction to the Ritenour Co-Care Food Pantry
September 4 2024	SERVICE PROJECT		SERVICE PROJECT
September 11 2024	Todd Lindley	Dave Mohler	Tracy Bono, Field Development Executive - Scouting: Changing our World by Connecting Youth with Nature
September 18 2024	Ruth Randell		Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge, Lambert Internation Airport Director - Lambert Airport updates
September 25 2024	Andy Rimmel		
October 2 2024	SERVICE PROJECT		SERVICE PROJECT
October 9 2024	Josh Brainerd		
October 16 2024	Dave Robinette		District Governor visit - Jerry Nolen
October 23 2024	QUARTERLY CLUB ASSEMBLY		
October 30 2024	EVENING SOCIAL		
November 6 2024	SERVICE PROJECT		SERVICE PROJECT
November 13 2024	Bill Strohmeier		
November 20 2024	Mitch Wilson		
November 27 2024			Day before Thanksgiving - no meeting
December 4 2024	SERVICE PROJECT		SERVICE PROJECT
December 11 2024	Howard Abrams		
December 18 2024	Al Beinke	Bryan Hercules	

December 25 2024

Holiday - no meeting