

Rotary



Club of Carmel GEARBOX Newsletter

Club Meeting

Carmel
Fridays @ Woodland
Country Club (11:45am
- 1pm)
Friday at 11:45 AM

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Our Speaker this Week is Robert Wright Swanay, Director for the Carmel Clay Public Library



Swanay has been at the Johnson City Public Library in Tennessee for 21 years, the last eight years as director.

"It's an exciting opportunity," Swanay said. "I've had a great experience at Johnson City Public Library. But I was ready to stretch myself professionally and ready to try out another library.

I found Carmel to be a very good fit. I'm looking forward to learning the Carmel community and the greater Indianapolis area. I've lived in Tennessee my entire adult life."

"I think the library is a natural community forum," Swanay said.

"I think the library is one of the better places in the community where we can have a civil discourse and exchange of ideas. There is still a role for public libraries to help with information literacy. There is so much noise out there. Libraries have always had a role in helping people recognize legitimate sources."

Swanay graduated from East Tennessee State in Johnson City with a bachelor of fine arts and received a masters of information science from the University of Tennessee.

January 13th Lunch / Tour at Carmel Clay Public Library



On January 13th, we will have lunch and tour the renovated Carmel Clay Public Library.

The library has a new address, 425 E Main Street but you will need to take the

roundabout to reach the garage on S. Richland/4 Avenue.

The public typically parks on the first level in the garage. Try the second level then take the elevator or staircase down, cross the crosswalk and the Community Program Rooms are immediately inside the library, left side.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Program Guest Speaker is Allegra Nottage - January 20



Allegra Nottage, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) human resources and chief diversity officer, has more than 20 years of progressive global experience as a human resources leader with expertise in talent management, change management and Diversity and Inclusion (D&I).

Based at the company's headquarters in Carmel, IN, Allegra serves on the operating committee. Her D&I experience covers a wide range, from standard areas such as recruiting, to more advanced areas of inclusion and equity, such as management accountability. Prior to joining MISO, she served as vice president, head of human resources and talent management at an Indianapolis-based claim management firm.

Allegra previously led talent effectiveness programs at Cigna Insurance Corp., such as global onboarding design and the design and implementation of executive-level talent assessments. Additionally, Allegra led D&I efforts at Bank of America as part of the Global Diversity & Inclusion team, where she oversaw more than 200 global employee resource groups for a workforce of 300,000 and partnered with senior executive sponsors and Board members.

Born and raised in Charlottesville, Virginia, Allegra had the opportunity to live in many locations as her family was stationed at various U.S. military bases such as Walter Reed in Washington, D.C, West Point Academy in New York and Fitzsimons in Colorado. She earned a bachelor's degree in organizational management from Wilmington University.

Allegra follows a line of special speakers who have addressed the Club on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Dr. Khaula Murtadha; Jeffrey Harrison; Dr. Eugene White; Jamal Smith; Ralph Taylor; Mollie Jeffers and Alan Bacon.

Out

Club Leaders



Gary Sexton
President



Julie Lundin-Shadinger
President - Elect



Douglas D. Willard
Secretary



Mandy Woodbury
Treasurer



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President - Nominee



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Sergeant-at-Arms



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David J. Hollander
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International Service Chair



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Community Service Chair



Greg Pilling
Assistant Treasurer



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Club Youth Services Chair

Michael E.



Warren
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Cindy Davis
iPast
President



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Darring
Club Social
Chair

Please Welcome Nam Mokwunye for Transfer to the Rotary Club of Carmel

By David I Hollander

Nam was an active Rotarian in the Rotary Club of Florence, Alabama. He recently moved to Carmel due to his job. He now requests a transfer to our club. He is currently the Corporate & Business Strategy Advisor at Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO). Miso, which is headquartered in Carmel, operates the power grid and a \$30B market across 15 states. He has worked in art, entertainment, fintech, healthtech and the telecom sector as well. He is married with one child. His hobbies include sports, current events, and entrepreneurship. He previously led a team for the Gates Foundation that built a mapping app which contributed to the eradication of Polio in Nigeria.



Join Us January 12th



5:31 CLUB

OSTERIA *by Fabio Viviani*

THURSDAY JANUARY 12TH

PLEASE RSVP
BY MONDAY
JAN 9TH



317-456-2949



LOCATED INSIDE
MARKET DISTRICT
11505 ILLINOIS STREET
CARMEL, IN 46032

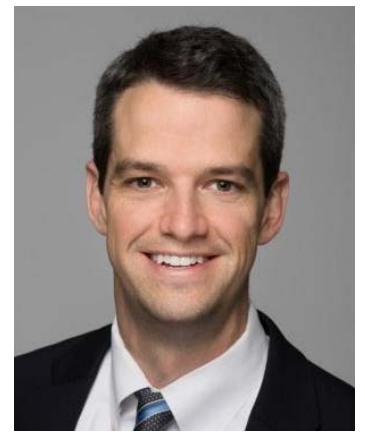
Everyone is welcome to join!



**Please Welcome Jess A. Lawhead for Reinstatement
in the Rotary Club of Carmel**

By David I Hollander

Jess has now requested reinstatement back into the Rotary Club of Carmel. He previously requested a pause in his membership due to Covid and time constraints related to job & family. He is now excited to be able to reengage in our club activities and serve the community. Jess is a managing director with Northern Commercial. He specializes in commercial investment. He is married with children.



Spread The Word and Buy Your Tickets

Your help is needed to spread the word and help sell tickets for this incredible event. This is a wonderful opportunity for our club to raise money so we can continue doing our good work in the community.

Make sure to purchase your ticket early and share the information with your network.

Let's make this an event to remember!

PRESENTED BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF CARMEL



Arte d'Italia
Authentically Italian Celebration of our
Cortona Sister City in the Heart of Carmel

Join Us In Celebration

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17th
Black-tie, Cortona-inspired Dinner and Jazz
Concert Featuring the AB&C Trio from
Cortona, Italy, at Feinstein's Cabaret Club

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19th
World-renowned Pianist Francesco Attesti
of Cortona, Italy, Performs at the Palladium
with the Carmel Symphony Orchestra

arteditalia.org

Proceeds from the events will benefit the many local organizations and
projects the Rotary Club of Carmel supports throughout the year.

Rotary Members - Are You New to DACdb?

DACdb is the database that houses details for Carmel Rotarians, the Carmel club, and District 6560. If you are new to DACdb or need a refresher, then go to the newly created link titled 'How to's on DACdb' on the website's left navigation bar, under Club Links.

From here you can learn how to:

- Login
- Change Your Password
- Update Your Contact Information
- Enter a Make Up

***If you have previously logged into DACdb but don't remember your password, then contact Andrea Rice to have your password reset. You can directly email her by clicking on the 'Member Directory' link on the left navigation bar of the website. Once the page opens, scroll to Andrea's name and click on it. Fill out the requested information, including a note to reset your password. Click 'Send Mail'.

Important Links

[Carmel Rotary Website](#)

[Pay Club Dues Here](#)

[District 6560 Website](#)

[Carmel Rotary Facebook Page](#)

Club Member Anniversaries



[Kumiko K. Brunson](#)
22 Years



[David Pencak](#)
16 Years



[Jon Walker](#)
11 Years



[Marta H. Spence](#)
11 Years



[Sharleen Miller](#)
11 Years



[Robert Wright Swanay](#)
4 Years



[Kwan Hui](#)
4 Years



[Lorene Burkhart](#)
2 Years



[Marc S. Johnson](#)
1 Year



[Greg Pilling](#)
0 Years



[Monica Frauhiger](#)
0 Years

Birthdays

[John Kerr](#)
January 9th

[Zackary Darring](#)
January 12th

[Andrew Nisenshal](#)
January 19th

[Kurt A. Rupenthal](#)
January 25th

[Winston Long](#)
February 5th

[Jon E. Olson](#)
January 9th

[Phillip G. Anderson](#)
January 12th

[Brian G. Poindexter](#)
January 24th

[Mark Satz](#)
February 4th

[Jason Randlett](#)
February 7th

[Brian D. Rhea](#)
January 10th

[David P. Luedtke](#)
January 15th

[Michael E. Warren](#)
January 25th

[Heather Dickerson](#)
February 4th

Wedding Anniversaries

[Tatyana Komarova](#)
January 17th

[Marc S. Johnson](#)
January 18th