



# The Spindle

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MARION OHIO  
P.O. BOX 1091  
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March 2, 2021

## DAVE CLABORN

Dave was born in Dallas, Texas, but grew up in the Baltimore, Maryland area where his dad was an electronics engineer with Bendix Radio. He was president of the Class of 1970 at Perry Hall High School. He came to Ohio to attend Denison University, where he graduated with a psychology degree in 1974. He spent 20 years in radio news—most of it at WTVN in Columbus, where he was News Director from 1984-1994. He directed a cooperative marketing program for the Ohio Department of Development for three years before coming to Marion in 1997 to lead economic development efforts as President of Marion CAN DO!, Marion County's non-profit economic development corporation. During his tenure, working with the city, county and Regional Planning, CAN DO! was involved in the construction of Marion's Dual Rail Industrial Park, the extension of the Marion Airport Industrial Park and the development or expansion of at least a dozen companies in Marion County. In early 2008, Dave accepted the position of Vice President of Marketing and Communications for the Missouri Partnership, a statewide economic development organization based in St. Louis. However, when the position of Director of Development and Community Relations opened at the Ohio State University at Marion, Dave came home to help Marion continue its redevelopment—this time through The Ohio State University. Dave retired from Ohio State at the end of July, 2019 to focus on raising his adopted daughter, Alice and a growing tribe of grandchildren!



Dave and his wife Elizabeth live in southeast Marion. His three grown children, Matt, Dan, and Kelly are all graduates of The Ohio State University. His stepsons, Ian and Alec Soule are employed with Gannett and MTD Corp. respectively. Between them, Dave and Elizabeth have six grandchildren.

Dave enjoys bicycling (Pelotonia 2013 - 2019), reading, freelance writing, among other pursuits. He's been a member of the Marion Rotary Club since 1997 and was president for the 2014-2015 year.

# **“Service Above Self”**

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## **Past Presidents**

1922	Fred E. Guthery*	1948	D.W. Brickley*	1974	John P. Courtney	2001	W. Michael Springer
1923	Arthur J. Berry*	1949	William F. Ehrick*	1975	Frederick T. Merchant*	2002	J. Weston Jones
1924	Josiah Bindley*	1949	A. Merle Hamilton*	1976	John C. Keggan	2003	Nick R. Chilton
1925	Carl Sawyer*	1950	Carl H. Knirk*	1977	Jacob S. Fuller*	2004	Scott Yancey
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1927	Jesse H. Mason*	1952	Carroll H. Bachelder*	1979	Robert J. White*	2006	Ted B. Babich
1928	Clarence O. Brown*	1953	James S. Greetham Sr.*	1980	David L. Miller	2007	Ronald J. Scharer
1929	James Crawmer*	1954	Odell Thompson*	1981	Donald G. Hall	2008	Fran Voll
1930	Levi Stang*	1955	Ralph Howard*	1982	Theodore B. Myers*	2009	Kathy S. Masters
1931	Don A. Howard*	1956	Lewis Ashworth*	1983	John C. Bartram	2010	Brooks K. Brown
1932	Earl N. Hale*	1957	Vernon L. Street*	1984	D. Warren Brown*	2011	James S. Barney
1933	Dr. Eben L. Brady*	1958	Jack A. Maxwell*	1985	Francis E. Hazard	2012	Howard Smith
1934	James E. Frew*	1959	Dr. Charles W. Wilson*	1986	Lowell E. Thurston	2013	Scot Gray
1935	Gene Hill*	1960	Theodore L. Hufert*	1987	Lyle H. DeVilling*	2014	Dave Claborn
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1938	Dr. Otis M. Young*	1963	George K. Brown*	1990	Charles Garvin	2017	Kit Fogle
1939	John J. Stafford*	1964	Francis W. Hamper*	1991	Thomas A. Frericks	2018	Dean Jacob
						2019	Rob Howard
1940	George Planck*	1965	Donald J. Yoder*	1992	Fred K. White		
1941	John K. Bartram*	1966	J. Arthur Hamilton*	1993	John W. Scharer		
1942	Wilson Tway*	1967	Phillip W. Smith*	1994	William L. Young		
1943	Edward E. Holt*	1968	Everett H. Granger*	1995	James C. Beaver		
1944	Adrian F. Busick*	1969	Paul E Lyon*	1996	Gary K. Sims		
1945	Wendall Wiant*	1970	Robert W. Wopat*	1997	G. Scott Drew		
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1946	Henry A. Mickley*	1972	John L. Ashworth	1999	S. Elaine Merchant		
1947	Frank M. Foster*	1973	Robert C. Ludwig	2000	Robert H. Thiede		

\*Deceased

***Past District Governors***

1949 *Henry A. Mickley\**

1962 *Wayne H Kuhn\**

1969 *Francis W. Hamper\**

1989 *Lowell E. Thurston*