



ROTATIONS

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Meetings: Friday, 7:00 am Dayton Country Club, [555 Kramer Rd, Dayton, Ohio, 45419](#)

Speakers

Events

No Events found

July 5th Meeting

Please note that in place of our regular meeting at Dayton Country Club, we will be gathering for Coffee and Conversation at T.R.'s

GUESTS

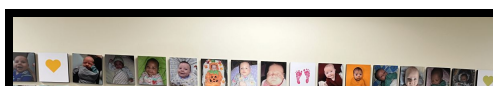
Diane Scott, guest of our illustrious President, Joe Scott



Lemon Scott, adorable guest of Past-Sarge Jill Waters



MATCHING GRANTS ~ BRIGID'S PATH





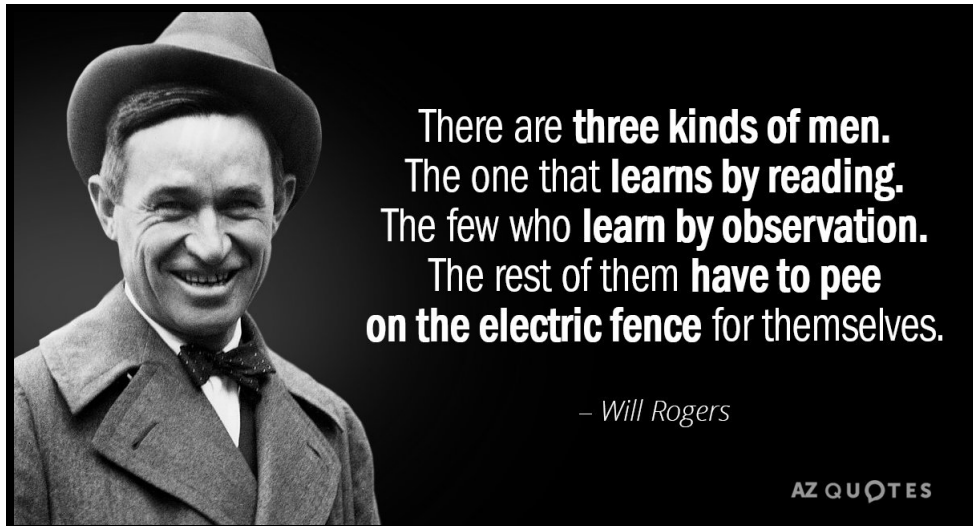
Congratulations to Marty Fitz for successfully applying for a District Matching Grant to purchase pediatric heart monitors for the babies recovering from drug-addicted births at Brigid's Path. A \$3,250 grant from the Oakwood Rotary Foundation was matched by a \$3,250 grant from the District.

Awesome! Congratulations and thanks to all!

AROUND & ABOUT

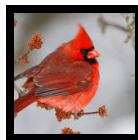


Thought of the Day ~ Brad Judge



Announcements

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS Shawn Miller's Father



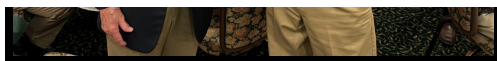
Joe regretfully reported that Shawn Miller's father, Richard C. Miller, passed away on June 24; his was a life well-lived; he is survived by 21 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. He served 4 years in the U.S. Navy, retiring after 24 years of service, and taught woodworking and metal working to blinded veterans at the Birmingham, Alabama VA Medical Center. Our deepest condolences to Shawn and his family.



RECOGNITION FRIDAY: PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED ROTARIAN SERVICE AWARDS

DAN TURBEN





A two-year Board member heading up Community Service, Dan was responsible for the seamless transition of the Shafor Boulevard Flag Installation to Rotary, continuing the annual Christmas Eve Holiday Feed, the Thanksgiving Meal Delivery, was the Sponsor Chair for TDIM 2024 where he hit a mark well above the \$30K goal, exceeding the previous year's sponsor total. Dan is a tireless champion of Rotary and service above self.

VICTORIA HIX



A two-year Board member, Victoria also served as the TDIM Golf Outing Chair and will continue in both positions for the upcoming year. She has assisted as Lead for the Shafor Boulevard Flag Installation, coordinated the November Fireside Chat for new members, was the past mentor/liaison for our recent inbound RYE student Beulah, is a graduate of the Rotary Leadership Institute, and annoyingly has her hand in the air anytime a volunteer opportunity opens up. She filled in for Jill as Sarge one Friday and has never been asked to do it again. She never loses sight of the privilege it is to be a part of the Rotary Club of Oakwood and considers it an honor to serve the community in the company of so many distinguished Rotarians.

****In addition to receiving a crystal desktop award, their names will be added to the Distinguished Rotarians plaque at the DCC along with past recipients including Betsy Clymer, Josh Green, and Jim Schmidt.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please help host our student from Peru

Oakwood Rotary Club (Ohio USA) Rotary Youth Exchange Program

From Peru to Your Oakwood Home

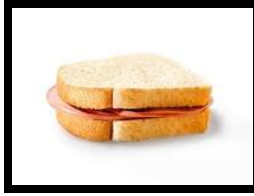
HOST FAMILY OPPORTUNITY®
A true Cultural Experience
enriching your Family

rotary youth exchange

- A 16-year-old boy from Peru – has studied English for 10 years – wants to join your family as his **FIRST HOST FAMILY**. He has Good academic skills and references.
- He Loves Piano, Drawing, Learning languages (English, Japanese & Swedish), Working out, Programming & Robotics, Family and Friends, New cultural experiences, and has a passion for Math and Chemistry.
- He will arrive in August 2024 and will attend Oakwood High School for the 2024-25 school year.
- We will have 2-3 host families to provide a rounded cultural experience for the student and families.
- **We need to select the FIRST HOST FAMILY Now to give him time for his USA travel VISA and documents to ensure an on-time arrival in Oakwood in August before the start of school.**
- Interested? Want more information? Please sign up for a great experience. Don't Delay, follow up today! Your Exchange Son is waiting to meet you and your family. See contact information below.
- Contact Youth Exchange Inbound Chair Nikki Larson: nikkik44@yahoo.com or Call 937-510-2611

We still have an opportunity for the August first-semester host family for an **incoming RYE student!** He is 16 years old from Peru and loves piano, drawing, learning languages, programming and robotics and new cultural experiences. This is a unique chance to change a life, change the world and make a life-long friend. **We need to have his first host family in place so he can apply for his travel visa.** Beulah will never forget her time here and if you can offer another RYE student the same chance for a once-in-a-lifetime experience, contact Shawn or Mike.

SANDWICHES



Nina announced sandwich making will be at the OCC on Saturday, July 6 starting at 9:00 AM.

HAZMAT PICK-UP



Trucks look forward to these Saturdays all year! Get your truck gussied up and gassed up for the next **HazMat** pick up in three weeks. See Dave Lendt if you can bring a truck or help out.

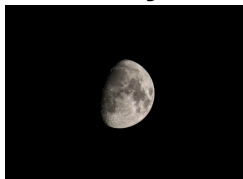
AND WORTH REPEATING

QUARTERLY INVOICES



Quarterly invoices were mailed out last week, and you can pay online with a credit or debit card? It's true, it's true; for a small convenience fee, you can go paperless all from the comfort of your device or, if you rock it old school, a paper check will do just fine.

Oakwood Rotary Foundation



Cathy Campbell will be taking over as Foundation President in July! The first meeting will be July 8 at 6:00 PM at the OCC. Please let her know if you have any charities in mind for possible grants; the application is on the Rotary Club of Oakwood website at <https://oakwoodrotary.org/>

International Student Exchange

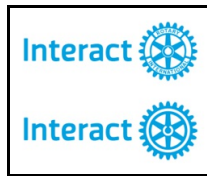


Did you know there is a 15-year-old boy in Peru waiting to come to Oakwood as an inbound Rotary Youth Exchange student? Shawn Miller is still looking for an initial host family for the student. It's critically important to have one family in place so the student can be given the go-ahead to apply for his visa. Timing is all important and we are running out of time! Please contact Shawn to learn about this wonderful opportunity for an experience that can be enjoyed by the student AND the host family. Shawn Miller (937) 380-8973 smiller@requarth.com

Habitat for Humanity



Trevor Hofmann announced that our next **Habitat for Humanity** building project will be **Saturday, August 17**; the Rotary also supports Habitat with grants; we donated \$8K last year for a dumpster trailer (no charge for the Rotary plaque!), a big help for removing trash at the building sites.



Chuck Roedersheimer is in the process of getting the **Interact Club** restarted at the high school (Interact Club is for youth ages 12-18 who want to connect with others in their community or school to foster international understanding and peace). He's looking for two or three Rotarians that can meet with members of Interact once a month; see him if you're interested. Did You Know??? Interact stands for International Action and was founded in 1962.

Fall Tailgate Party needs a home!



Cathy Campbell announced that she'll be taking over as the **Oakwood Rotary Foundation** Chair; the next meeting is Monday, July 8 at 6:00 PM at the Oakwood Community Center. She is also looking for a host located near the high school for the **fall Tailgate Party**; last year we had a burger cookout, and it was swell!



SARGE TOM!



The "Sarge" Too Late to Back Out Now, Jeff "Sage" Advice for the Incoming Sarge Edition

- A) Have a list of "responsible" Rotarians on speed dial who you can call on Thursday night at 10 PM to fill in for you as Sarge the next morning (just in case!)
- B) Have a few "jokes" loaded onto your phone so you can at least crack yourself up while everyone else has that 1,000-yard stare and are so checked out that they wouldn't be able to remember their own names if asked (this has happened when Tom started rolling out Dad jokes to fill time).
- C) Never forget that the main reason you are Sarge is to raise money with fines and quizzes.
- D) Fines should be random and capricious; one week, shorts are out, the next week they're in, etc. Keep 'em guessing; no one is ever safe (unless you deign to grant them immunity from fines).
- E) The City Manager and City Council are always fair game, unless you're hoping for a special permit to add on to your house, then they're off the table.
- F) Always leave time for Happy Bucks!

Memories, traumatic and otherwise, were relived this morning as we reviewed the past year's Sarge presentations. Did you know that attorneys fall on an overlapped Venn diagram as "heartless and heavy drinking"? I bet you did! When does a joke become a Dad joke? When it becomes "a-parent"! The ladies table (aka the "snack" table, if you remember your Gen Z Slang) is invitation only, and congratulations to Yury today for being granted special dispensation to sit there. Tom semi-apologized for the Roundabout jokes (pretty much because Rob was standing right there); noted that we like our freebies like the "Deny, deny, deny" stickers he gives out and the TR gift cards that Jill gave out. Lastly, you'll either have too much time or not enough, be able to laugh at your own jokes, because sometimes no one else will and always have a few Chuck Norris jokes ready to go to bridge the dead silence that'll come up every now and then.

Nicely done, Sergeant Tom!

Buck Talks



HAPPY BUCKS

Marty Beyer brought a six-pack of Christmas beer to President Scott, because Fridays with Joe are always joyful and a reason to celebrate ~~~~~
Mike Stover put in a buck to announce that his 95-year-old mother suffered a



heart attack but the kind and capable doctors at Kettering Hospital placed two stents in her and after a bit of a scare, is recovering well ~~~~~ **Chuck Roedersheimer** put in a buck for his first granddaughter's recent wedding ~~~~~ **Rob Sills** for transitioning into the Secretary position and getting **Rob Walker** ready to step in as Secretary Elect ~~~~~ **Carol Collins** is celebrating her birthday on June 27, and **Doug Hammer** announced the passing of the Treasurer torch into the capable check-writing hands of **Joe Schenk**.

Speaker

President Joe Scott



What a Wonderful Year It's Been!

2023-2024 Board

President Joe Scott

President-Elect Mike Moorhead

Secretary Peter Davies Secretary-Elect Rob Sills Treasurer

Doug Hammer Treasurer-Elect Joe Schenk

Club Service Director Nicole Jackson

Community Service Director Dan Turben

Development and International Director Martin Fitz

Vocational Director Kristi Hale

Membership Director Victoria Hix

New Generations Director John Ferneding That Day in May Shawn Miller Sergeant at Arms Tom Dalrymple

Foundation Member at Large Steve Budde

Publicity and Tech Jim Cunningham

IT and Website Josh Green

It's really never been said better: the Rotary Club of Oakwood is all about "Having Fun and Getting Things Done!" and this past year has been all that and more for Oakwood Rotarians. President Scott had his guiding principles and goals in place when he started the year:

- Acquaintance as an Opportunity for Service
- Develop New Service Projects
- Add New Members
- Six in Sixty Onboarding Initiative
- More emphasis on In-Club presenters

We are not a Club that just "writes the check," we are a Club that prioritizes Action over Words, and we leverage our Club fellowships and the opportunities that new members bring to the Club to put boots on the ground. We develop new members by striving to find out "why" they joined Rotary and leverage their community contacts to expand our service. New members are invited to work towards their Six in Sixty activities by having coffee with the President and Community Development chairs and active participation in weekly duties and attendance at volunteer and social events.

Our new members bring unique talents and visions to the Club, and we welcome Judge Elizabeth Ellis, Michael Staub, Dr. Neil Gupta, Dr. Slaz, Molly Stitsinger, Molly Eaton, Scott Bryant, Paul Jones, Drew Moore and Rob Walker to our group and look forward to a long collaboration and continued community service; it all starts with fellowship.

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We Got Things Done! Our notable service opportunities include March Sales, Nazmat Pickup, the Blood Drive, Sandwich Making, the Christmas Feed, Flag Installation, Thanksgiving Meal Delivery, Habitat for Humanity, the Therapeutic Riding Institute, and the Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed building.

We do Cute! Not just Club members, but puppies, puppies, puppies! The Club sponsored a litter of 4 Paws for Abilities pups; they visited the Club one Friday and there have never been bigger smiles on our faces!

We Support the Students! From scholarships to RYLA to RYE (Beulah!), the Student of the Semester and the Oakwood High School Band, we are proud to support academic and personal excellence by providing grants and mentorships to recognize high achievers and strivers who actively give back to the community through service.

We Love the Community! Our crown jewel service piece, That Day in May, is first and foremost our love letter to the community and, secondarily, a source of funding to the Foundation to continue our support of local non-profits. TDIM and the Golf Outing take 1,000 man-hours to plan and execute, and we work tirelessly to keep costs in line, leverage volunteers, and to do it all selflessly and cheerfully.

We Have Fun! Our socials included a visit to 4 Paws for Ability, the Christmas Party, Grist, Jim Cunningham's Docent Tour of the Air Force Museum, the Private Shopping Night at Lula Bell, and the Party in the Penthouse at Carillon Towers.

We've Got Talent! Our Rotarian speakers included Dr. Tom Hardy, TR, Josh Green and ChatGPT and our acquaintances brought in others such as Alan Pippenger from Requarth, Steve Wright and his collection of home movies with Orville, Chief Hill from the Oakwood Safety Department, and Dick Cumming's grandson Mark with his talk on Microgreens.

We Give away Money! We awarded over \$60,000 in grants to the Boy Scouts, 4 Paws, St. Vincent de Paul, the district Rotary International Water Project, and Ohio's Hospice of Dayton.

We Recognize! The Board served faithfully and honorably to provide steady guidance; Joe presented each member with a thoughtfully selected and Rotary-labeled bottle of wine and introduced the upcoming year's Elects who begin their two-year service learning the ropes. We look forward to what the next year will bring under the guidance of President #45, Mike Moorhead, who previously served as President of the Rotary Club of Moraine.

Joe wrapped up his year by noting that we are special among Clubs; seasoned presenters come in and feel the special camaraderie in the room, and when we speak of each other, it comes from the appreciation of traveling on a unique journey of selfless service and trust. The train is still on the tracks, Joe, and thank you for your unwavering commitment to us and the community.

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO JIM CUNNINGHAM for winning the "œbig pot" and taking home \$605!

Assignments

Date	Greeters (2 People)	Raffle (2 People)	Properties (2 People)	Guest Intro (1 People)	Invocation (1 People)	Thought
July 5	At TR's	At TR's	At TR's	At TR's	At TR's	At TR's
July 12	Petricola Rieff	Neumeister, B Neumeister, S	Miller Routsong	Mione	Nye	Reger
July 19	Schmitt Schenk	Ruetschle Sills	Slaz Staub	Stephens	Stevens	Schmidt
July 26	Stover Turben	Stitsinger Stiver	Vanderburgh Walker	Thornburg	Waters	Schuerman

Club Leaders

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