

## Rotary Meeting: Monday, April 1, 2019



**Butch Spyridon, President**  
Nashville Convention & Visitors

**How Music City Keeps Scoring:**  
NFL Draft, NASCAR and More

*Collaboration, Cooperation and Strategic Planning*

Butch Spyridon has served as president and CEO of the Nashville Convention & Visitors Corp (NCVC) since 1991. Under his leadership, Nashville's hospitality industry has evolved into a year-round global destination for convention, business and leisure visitors. Hospitality is the city's second largest industry, attracting a record 15.2 million visitors in 2018 and generating \$6.5 billion in direct visitor spending. At the end of April, the city will host the NFL Draft, which is expected to be the largest event in Nashville and the state of Tennessee given the anticipated attendance of 100,000 per day over three days, coverage on three national networks and an estimated 1,000 credentialed media members. The Music City brand and an emphasis on hosting large events to attract visitors helped the city land the NFL Draft. For the first time, the football-centric event will include live music - and it's all free and open to the public.

**IMPORTANT MEETING NOTICES** – Due to several exciting events in Nashville the week of April 22 –29 (NFL Draft, St. Jude Rock n' Roll Marathon, and Stanley Cup Playoffs) we expect a more than usual traffic and parking issue.

**April 22** – Rotary Members **WILL NOT be able to park in the Premier Parking surface lot at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Church.**

**April 29** – We have CANCELLED that Rotary meeting. **We WILL NOT MEET on Monday, April 29.**

### Nashville Rotary Service Trust – A Lasting Impact of Service

Thank you Rotary Club of Nashville members for your financial and volunteer support of our community service initiations. We are excited to share just some of the impact of your contributions during the first half of this Rotary year:

- **27,103** meals via the Bethlehem Center of Nashville Meals on Wheels program
- **4,560** packed meals of ready-to-eat food for children through Second Harvest Food Bank
- **1,900** North Nashville residents received two boxes of shelf stable and produce food through our signature project, Feed the Need, with Second Harvest Food Bank.
- **635** students participated in "Cool Kids Read Day" through Moves and Grooves Inc.
- **4,250** students in 250 classrooms have a Rotarian guest reader and receive a book with each visit through the Book'Em program.

This impact cannot be made without the annual support of all Rotary Club of Nashville members to the Nashville Rotary Service Trust.

**If you have not contributed to the Annual Footprint Fund this Rotary year, please do so now. We are counting on your participation.**

#### ASSISTING AT ROTARY THIS WEEK

Speaker Introduction: JACKY AKBARI

Invocation: KATE MOSLEY

Registration: PAM KOBAN

Greeters: CHIP JONES / NANCY KEIL-CULBERSON

Scanners: ANGIE ADAMS / DAVID KOMAR

Parking Vouchers: LYDIA LENKER

## ALL HANDS ON DECK!



**We Need YOU to volunteer for our Spring Project with Habitat for Humanity.**

**Saturday, April 27,  
7:30 am – 3:00 pm**

**Rotarians are needed to participate in our Habitat project when we will help landscape at the new home for Sharee Clay, and her three children. In Park Preserve Community**

**Go to [nashvillerotary.org](http://nashvillerotary.org), Click signup genius icon, Click Habitat icon**

### Why do business leaders join Rotary?

**Because someone took the time to invite them!**

To fulfill our mission, the Club has traditionally admitted into its membership only the leading business and civic persons in the community and it is our goal to continue that tradition. To maintain and strengthen the leadership quality and effectiveness of our Club, the Board of Directors considers these attributes essential for membership:

- One who is or was president, partner, or a corporate officer or manager in an executive position with discretionary authority of any worthy and recognized business or profession, or
- One who has demonstrated service and civic leadership in the community, or
- One who embraces Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self".

If you know a business professional or community leader that fits this criteria and would like to propose them for Rotary membership; submit the name, position, and company/firm information to the Rotary Office.

## ENGAGE IN ROTARY – Get the most out of your Rotary membership.

- Apr 8 ROTARY: Dr Andrea Willis, VP/Chief Medical Officer, BlueCross BlueShield of TN
- Apr 12 VOLUNTEER: Project CURE, 1-3 pm, 2300 Clifton Avenue**
- Apr 13 DISTRICT DINNER: Celebrating 30 Years of Women in Rotary, Music City Center
- Apr 15 ROTARY: Dr. Sylvia Whitlock, first Female Rotary Club President
- Apr 19 VOLUNTEER: Second Harvest Backpack Project, 1-3 pm, 331 Great Circle Rd.**
- Apr 22 ROTARY: Technology Panel - Moderator Milt Capps, Publisher Venture Nashville Connections. Panelists: LeShane Greenhill-CEO & Founder, Sageants & Google Resident, Julia Polk-Chief Strategy Officer & CFO - IQuity, Inc., Michael Brody-Waite-Executive Director, Entrepreneur Center, Kerry Schrader- CEO/Co-founder at Mixtroz
- Apr 27 VOLUNTEER: Habitat for Humanity Landscape Project, 7:30 – 3 pm, location TBA**
- Apr 29 NO ROTARY MEETING – Cancelled due to parking and traffic issues
- May 4 VOLUNTEER: Lutheran Services Garden Project, 8:30-Noon, MDHA's Cheatham Pl.**
- May 6 ROTARY: Senator Bob Corker
- May 10 VOLUNTEER: Project CURE, 1-3 pm, 2300 Clifton Avenue**
- May 13 ROTARY: Dr. Shawn Joseph, Superintendent, Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
- May 20 ROTARY: Lucy Kempf, Executive Director, Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Planning Department
- May 21 ORIENTATION for New Members, 5:15 pm, hosted by Past President Lady Bird
- May 27 NO ROTARY MEETING – Memorial Day Observed
- Jun 3 ROTARY: Panel - Blueprint for Early Childhood Success: Indira Dammu, Mayor's Education Policy Director; Erica Mitchell, Chief Community Impact Officer United Way; Denine Torr, Director of Community Initiatives, Dollar General Corp.
- Jun 10 ROTARY: TBA
- Jun 14 VOLUNTEER: Project CURE, 1-3 pm, 2300 Clifton Avenue**
- Jun 17 ROTARY: Malcolm Turner, Athletic Director, Vanderbilt University

### 2018-19 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Ronald Roberts – President  
Harry Allen – VP/President Elect  
David Briggs – Treasurer  
Shane Douglas – Sergeant-at-Arms  
Evette White – Immediate Past President  
NRST Service Grants Chair – Kristen Dinger  
Finance Committee Chair – Craig Bechtel

#### Term Expires 6/30/2019

Veronica Marable-Johnson  
William Liles  
Lauren Payne  
Brian Tibbs

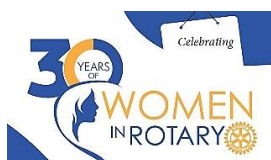
#### Term Expires 6/30/2020

Richard Exton  
Todd Henry  
Meredith Libbey  
Joanne Pulles

#### Term Expires 6/30/2021

Christine Bradley  
Tony Heard  
Kem Hinton  
Bob Stokes

Suzanne Buchanan, Executive Director  
Sharon Michie, Operations Manager



## Celebrating 30+ Years of Women in Rotary

**Saturday, April 13, 2019, 6:00 pm, Music City Center, 201 5th Avenue South**

District Governor Laquita Stribling invites you to join us as we celebrate the achievements and contributions women in Rotary have made over the years and how we are working to inspire the next generation of Rotarians. We will honor six Middle and West Tennessee women who rose to

leadership within Rotary and supporters who championed diversity and inclusion within the membership. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Sylvia Whitlock from Claremont, CA, one of the remarkable women behind the U.S. Supreme Court case admitting women into Rotary, and the first woman to serve as president of a Rotary club.

This special event is open to all Rotarians and their guests. Tickets are \$50 per person. Deadline to register is April 8.

Go to: [www.rotary6760](http://www.rotary6760), click on calendar, go to April and click on April 13 event.



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