

NO ROTARY MEETING - Monday, April 29, 2019

April 25-27, 2019, our city will be hosting two major events in our immediate downtown area - the NFL Draft and the St. Jude Marathon, with an expected 100,000 visitors or more. Given the nature of this event; there will be numerous road closers and parking facilities utilized by our visitors. Therefore, we **WILL NOT** have our Rotary meeting, Monday, April 29, 2019.

We will reconvene on Monday, May 6, 2019 with speaker Senator Bob Corker.



Welcome, Olivia Leow Nashville Rotary Club's New Executive Director

We are excited to announce our Club's next Executive Director, Olivia Leow. Olivia, who has served as Vice President of Member Value at the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce for the past eight years, will succeed

Suzanne Buchanan. Buchanan is retiring effective June 30 after serving as the Club's Executive Director for 31 years.

"I am thrilled about the opportunity to lead the Downtown Rotary Club of Nashville. This club has an impressive history of engaging business and community leaders who truly believe in service above self," said Leow. "I am excited about continuing my career working with people who are just as passionate as I am about serving Nashville's vibrant and diverse community." Leow will join the organization on May 13 to work alongside Buchanan before assuming the Executive Director position.

"We're excited that Olivia is coming on board as Executive Director," said Ronald Roberts, Downtown Nashville Rotary Club President. "Her experience and knowledge of the Nashville community will continue to build on the tradition and success started by Suzanne Buchanan. Olivia has a long history of commitment to service, and that's a cornerstone of our Club."

Under Leow's guidance, the Nashville Chamber successfully increased member retention by creating Midtown and Downtown Nashville Area Advisory Councils, initiating the President's Table, the Small and Diverse Business Forum, the Leadership Connect initiative and the Regional Impact Awards.

Prior to her current role with the Chamber, Leow planned events and cultivated corporate sponsors for the ALS Association of TN. She is also an active community volunteer, serving as a Big Sister for Big Brothers Big Sisters, participating in Book'em's Read Me Week and serving in several leadership roles at West End United Methodist Church.

Two Contributions Expected of All Members Each Year

- 1) The Nashville Rotary Service Trust Footprint Fund supporting our local Club selected community partners and hands-on projects.
- 2) The Rotary International Foundation's Every Rotary Every Year – a \$100 contribution supporting the global humanitarian programs of Rotary International.

If you have not contributed to either or BOTH of these, please do so today.

NRST Footprint Fund: www.nashvillerotary.org, click GIVE

Rotary International Foundation: www.rotary.org, click DONATE



LUTHERAN SERVICES OF TN

Calling All Gardeners – Cheatham Place Community Garden Project

Volunteers will work with residents to help in weeding and planting their raised-bed gardens.

Saturday, May 4 - 8:30—Noon

VOLUNTEER TODAY:

Go to nashvillerotary.org, Click signup genius icon, Click Lutheran Services icon

ENGAGE IN ROTARY

- May 6 ROTARY: **Senator Bob Corker**
- May 10 **VOLUNTEER:** Project CURE, 1-3 pm, 2300 Clifton Avenue
- May 13 ROTARY: **Dr. Shawn Joseph**, former Director, Metro 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; **Erika Mitchell**, United Way and Director of the Blueprint for Early Childhood Success; **Denine Torr**, Director of Community Initiatives, Dollar General Corp.
- Jun 10 ROTARY: **Holly Sullivan**, Head of WW Economic Development at Amazon Public Policy
- Jun 14 **VOLUNTEER:** Project CURE, 1-3 pm, 2300 Clifton Avenue
- Jun 17 ROTARY: **Malcolm Turner**, Athletic Director, Vanderbilt University
- Jun 24 ROTARY: **Janet Napolitano**, President, University of California, former U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security from 2009 to 2013, and Author, "How Safe Are We: Homeland Security Since 9/11,"



Greetings from Nashville Rotary Past President and District Governor Laquita Stribling

I cordially invite you to the Rotary District 6760 District Conference 2019. The conference will be held on **Friday, May 17, and Saturday, May 18, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Franklin**. The conference provides opportunities for networking,

being inspired by, and exchanging ideas with other community leaders. The conference is free, meal prices are on the registration site.

Register NOW for **Be the Inspiration: Rotary District Conference**: <http://www.rotary6760.org/district-conference/>

Friday, May 17th

- **Chris Hope** – Former Tennessee Titan, Super Bowl Champion, Pro Bowler, business owner, and author, is our Keynote Speaker on leadership for the opening luncheon.
- **Dr. Joseph Walker, III** – Pastor of one of the nation's largest churches will share with us how he led the strategy for membership growth from 175 members to over 30,000 over the last 27 years. There are some relevant lessons for our Rotary clubs that are challenged with growing, and growing with diversity.
- **Janet Miller** – CEO and Market Leader of Colliers International (one of the nation's largest commercial real estate companies), former Chief Economic Development Officer for the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Past President of the Rotary Club of Nashville, will talk about her success and challenges working in a male-dominated profession.
- Enjoy a relaxing evening and dinner either by joining the Franklin Rotary Club at the **70th Annual Franklin Rodeo** or participating in a Dine-Around with other Rotarians.

Saturday, May 18th

- **Greg Yank** – Rotary Zone 30/31 Director will provide an update from Rotary International, share our progress on eradicating polio and supporting The Rotary Foundation.
- **Millennial Panel Discussion** – You think you understand millennials? Think again! Millennials are the next generation of Rotarians, and the key to our growth and existence. We will gain insight from the perspectives of millennials and dispel some preconceived notions and stereotypes.
- **Robert Sherrill** – (From Convict to CEO) will provide an inspirational story about his troubled upbringing and childhood, serving time in prison, becoming an entrepreneur and owning several businesses, and being pardoned by Governor Bill Haslam. You don't want to miss this! Mr. Sherrill is a Member of the Rotary Club of Nashville.
- **Four-Way Test Speech Contest Finals** – Each year, we host high school students who present speeches around the Four-Way Test and compete to win scholarship money. This contest and several District 6760 awards will take place during lunch.
- **Cheryl Brahn** – with End Slavery Tennessee will provide insight and information about the human trafficking epidemic that is happening in our country, in our state, and in most of our communities.
- **Service Project** – This year, we will work with local Rotaractors and Interactors to build 14 wagons to be donated to children's hospitals and women's shelters.
- **Cal Turner** – Member of the Rotary Club of Nashville and former CEO of Dollar General Stores will serve as our Keynote Speaker for [the Governor's Banquet](#) on Saturday night. Cal will talk to us about Success and Servant Leadership.
- **Clubs of the Year, Rotarian of the Year, and Rotary International Service Award** will be presented at the **Governor's Banquet**.



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