

Rotary



Club of Chattanooga Downtown

Events

May 30th
Brian Wright, Stadium Corp
& Tim Morgan, CSO
Chattanooga Sports

June 6th
Kyle Wiens - IFixIt

June 13th
David Parker, Covenant
Transport

June 20th
Tom Glenn, Last Rotary
Program as President

June 27th
Doug Thompson, Club
President Inauguration

Club Leaders



J. Tom Glenn
President



Douglas S. Thompson
President-Elect



Marlin D. Gines
Secretary



David Michael Costello
Treasurer



Jonathan J.
Armstrong III
Club Director



Robin B. Derryberry
Public Image Chair



Jane L. Kaylor
Club Director



Stacy G. Lightfoot
Vice President



Kirby W. Yost
Vice President



Kurt J. Faires
Club Membership
Chair

Tom Glenn



110th Rotary President

Rotary Meeting
Thursday
May 30, 2024
12 Noon
Chattanooga Convention Center
Ballrooms: H / I / J

SPEAKERS:



Kathryn Cooper Harbison
Club Rotary
Foundation Chair



Ronald Harris
Sergeant-at-Arms



Don McDowell
Club Service Chair



Edna E. Varner
Club Youth Services
Chair



Virginia Anne Sharber
iPast President

Club Meeting

Chattanooga
Meets at Chattanooga
Convention and Trade Center
One Carter Plaza
Chattanooga, TN 37402
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

Brian Wright, Stadium Corp and Tim Morgan, Chief Sports Officer, Chattanooga Sports



Brian Wright

Executive Director of The Stadium Corporation

The Stadium Corporation is a 501©(3), overseeing the management of Finley Stadium and the First Horizon Pavilion.

A Chattanooga native, Wright returned home in 2022 after a six-year stint with Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta where he was a part of opening the building, and served numerous roles in Stadium Operations, ending as Projects Manager. Wright attended the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, earning a Bachelors and Masterâ€™s degree, and worked at Finley Stadium throughout his college career.

Wright serves on the Board of Directors for the International Association of Venue Managers and is an active volunteer with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Chattanooga.

His wife, Katie, is a former Chattanooga Mocs soccer goalkeeper and current Goalkeeper Coach for Chattanooga FC Womenâ€™s team. Brian, Katie, and their daughter Ella live in St. Elmo.



Tim Morgan

Chief Sports Officer for Chattanooga Sports

As a division of Chattanooga Tourism Co., Chattanooga Sports led by Morgan is responsible for defining the economic impact and social prosperity of sports tourism within Hamilton County.

Over the past eleven (11) years, Morgan has led the charge to define mutually beneficial relationships while focusing on the mission.

His leadership is centered around the three Câ€™s: Create new events like the Scenic City Cup and Erlanger Chattanooga Marathon Weekend; Capture new business such as IRONMAN, NCAA Championships and TSSAA High School Championships; and, Cultivate the continued growth of important annual sport segments such as softball, baseball, basketball and volleyball.

Before relocating to Hamilton County in August 2012 from Charlotte, North Carolina, Morgan spent nine (9) years within the sports tourism industry in various roles with the Charlotte Regional Sports Commission, the Carolina Panthers and the Charlotte Regional Visitors Authority.

Morgan currently resides in Collegedale, TN with his wife, Tamra, and their two daughters.

Welcome New Members

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2023-24 Rotary International President



May Newsletter

I am deeply gratified by the enthusiasm shown across the world in the past year to better support the mental health needs of each other and the people we serve.

In January 2023, when I first spoke about the need for Rotary to become more engaged on this crisis, I noted that the global mental health system couldn't be described as broken only because it didn't exist. But I also offered a highly aspirational wish that Rotary could help build that system.

The first glimmers of this vision have been brought to light by you in dozens of mental health projects. But just as important is the invitation many of you have given to fellow Rotary members to share their stories.

I am impressed by the leadership young Rotarians and Rotaractors have shown and by the brave, inspiring stories they have shared. Former Rotaractor Freddie Almazan, a survivor of gun violence who refused to give in to despair, has an especially powerful personal narrative that you can hear firsthand at this month's Rotary International Convention in Singapore.

To create lasting change, the work we do needs to have a sustainable [impact](#) on the people and communities we serve. One great example of that kind of impact: Rotary clubs in Colorado endowing a pediatric mental health fellowship at Children's Hospital Colorado.

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