

Rotary

District 6780



Club of Cleveland



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Speakers

October 04, 2022

BiskitNV
BiskitNV will be discussing their business

October 11, 2022

Little Country Farm and Petting Zoo
animal rescue and events

October 18, 2022

Dr. Hermilo Jasso-Professor of Economics Lee University
The current state of our economy and his predictions for the future

October 25, 2022

Vista Corp presentation

Club Leaders



Michael J Griffin
Club Trainer
Past President



Bethany McCoy
President



Kevin D. Brooks
President-Elect



Timothy Joseph Poteet
President-Nominee
Club Programs Chair

Zoom Info for 2022

Friday, January 7, 2022

The Rotary Club of Cleveland continues to meet IN PERSON every Tuesday at the Museum Center at Five points. In the event that you cannot attend in person, please use this information to attend by Zoom:

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Willowbend Farms works to fight for and restore the lives of survivors of human trafficking

By Mica Stephens Carlton on Monday, September 26, 2022



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Left to right: Bethany McCoy, Sarah McKinnis, Leon Shahan and City Mayor Kevin Brooks

For the Rotary Club of Cleveland's September 20th program, the founder of Willowbend Farms, Sarah McKinnis presented the affect her organization is making on Bradley County and surrounding communities. She was excited to share that her nonprofit organization was just awarded Tennessee's Governor's Excellence Award, earned by nonprofits that significantly impact the lives of Tennesseans.

Willowbend Farms works to fight for and restore the lives of survivors of human trafficking, sexual exploitation, and sexual violence. Sarah shared with us the number of amazing individuals, such as our own Mayor Brooks, that came together in creating the task force that makes the program a success. In fact, it has been such a great success that it has set a blue print for other communities that have started their own task forces and coalitions because of what was started here in Bradley County.

They started with 1 county and are now serving 23. There have also been 6 regional task forces that have blossomed off of what Bradley County achieved. Sarah beamed that "this award not only belongs to Willowbend, but all of Bradley County."

In 2020, the organization gained another grant through Bradley County for \$750,000. Part of this will be used for the hiring of their first coordinated community response specialist – that starts on Monday.

Since Sarah last visited us, Willowbend saw its first graduating class with no dropouts and the graduates have moved on to the next phase, which is a transitional program to ensure post-graduate success.

For more information on Willowbend and its community impact, visit:
<https://www.willowbendfarms.org/>



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Birthdays

- Steve Crump
October 1st
- James Barrett
October 3rd
- Ken R. Jones
October 3rd
- Max Phillips
October 3rd
- David Ray
October 5th
- Rufus Triplett
October 12th
- Ken Dew
October 22nd
- Russell Dyer
October 27th



September 27th Program: Bonnie Cretton, Founder of Woodsong Forest School

Monday, September 26, 2022



Bonnie has a deep appreciation for all living things, and also holds an equal passion for education. After finishing her masters in education at Lee University, she taught middle and high school social studies for eight years. While teaching as a public educator, she sponsored several extra-curricular organizations, most of which had a focus on service learning. She took students on international trips and participated in a teacher exchange program from 2011-2013, teaching in Uganda and then hosting Ugandan educators here at home. She then taught as an adjunct professor in the college of education at Lee University and worked as a university supervisor for student teachers.

Ty Stone Proposed for Membership

Wednesday, September 14, 2022



Dr. Ty Stone, President of Cleveland State Community College, is proposed for membership by Mike Griffin.

Ty has a professional and personal commitment to the principles of Rotary: Truth, fairness, goodwill and benefiting the community she serves through education and economic development.

Club Meeting

Cleveland
Meets at Museum Center at Five Points
200 Inman St E
Cleveland, TN 37311
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM