
THE FLAGSHIP



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Coming Up!!!

Aug. 3: Board of Directors, 11 a.m.

Aug. 3: Club Assembly, Dist. Gov. Al Clark

Aug. 4: Former RYE student Julie Tryukhan arrives, 8:49 p.m., McGhee Tyson

Aug. 9: Pack the Park for Polio, 7 p.m., Smokies Park

Aug. 10: Kimberly Pettigrew, Director Food Security, United Way

(All meetings begin at 12:15 unless noted otherwise)

DG Alan Clark Is Our Our Wednesday Speaker

District Governor (DG) Alan Clark of the Rotary Club of Franklin County A.M., a native of Columbia, TN, will be speaking at our August Club Assembly Wednesday and also attending our Board of Directors meeting at 11 a.m.

Alan joined the Rotary Club of Winchester in 1980 and is a Past President and today is Past President and Executive Secretary of the Franklin County A.M. Club. He was named the Rotarian of the Year in the Winchester Club for 2007-2008, and was the Assistant District Governor for Area 12 (Franklin

County, Winchester, Monteagle-Sewanee, and Grundy County.) He served five years on the District's Rotary Youth Exchange committee and in roles as Youth Exchange Coordinator and Advisor. He is a Paul Harris Fellow, member of Paul Harris Society, and Rotary Benefactor.



He served 28 years in the military and retired in 2000,

having been awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Honorable Order of Saint Barbara. He is a veteran of the Persian Gulf War and retired as a colonel from the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

Following military retirement, he began a career as an Education Technology and Information Technology professional, serving in several Chief Information Technology officer roles at The Bright School in Chattanooga, Georgia Perimeter College Dunwoody Campus Atlanta, Tusculum College in the Knoxville Branch, and finally as the CTO for Franklin County Schools. He retired again after 19 years in education and technology in 2016.

Clark was the editorial columnist for the Winchester (TN) Herald-Chronicle and editorial page contributor to the Columbia (TN) Daily Herald. In 2019 he received a Tennessee Press Association Award for Best Editorials.

A lifelong sports enthusiast, Alan has been a sports broadcaster following his playing days. He was staff reporter for the University of Tennessee Vol Network for eight years and the voice of Covenant College basketball in Lookout Mountain, GA, for six years. Alan pursued a career in music as a drummer from his high school days until the present, playing with various groups throughout the Nashville area and appearing onstage with such artists as B.J. Thomas, Ronnie Dove, Bryan Hyland, and Lee Greenwood.

He holds a B.S. and M.Ed. from MTSU and a Doctorate in Education from the University of Tennessee Knoxville, and is a graduate of the U.S. Army War College. Clark lives in Estill Springs, TN with wife Shirley Maxwell Clark. He still plays racquetball, tennis, golf, enjoys travel, music, kayaking, and boating on Tims Ford Lake, and plays drums and bass guitar in his spare time.

Let's give our DG a big Farragut Rotary welcome!



It's Julie Tryukhan Time Thursday

After five months of war, stress and major life changes, fleeing to Slovakia and the stress of husband Dima fighting the Russian invaders as part of the Ukraine Army, **Julie (Yuliia) Tryukhan** and her two children, Mark and Polina, will fly early Thursday Aug. 4 from Prague through Amsterdam and Atlanta to Knoxville. If the flights are on time, their scheduled arrival is 8:49 p.m. at McGhee Tyson Airport.



We are planning to welcome them quietly. Bill Vogel, one of Julie's host Dads during her Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) year in 2007-08, contacted Julie and asked about a welcoming party. To that Julie said, "As for the question from the Rotary club: I would really love to see everyone. I'm not sure about the cheering though. It will be pretty late and we will be exhausted, and the kids' reaction to the cheering crowd can be unpredictable (or I think I can predict it and it's not pretty), they can get scared and start crying. I think quiet will be more appropriate in our case, but everyone who wants to come see us can do so, of course."

Julie and the kids initially will live with the Vogels until they have adjusted to things and can start looking for an apartment or a house to rent.

Our "Team Julie" will be working with her to see what her needs will be to furnish their new home and support their needs. Vicki Williams is leading that effort and you may be asked to help and donate items if needed. A car is being prepared that is being donated to them. Julie will obviously be working to get a driver's license as well.

Help Us Raise \$2,000 To Support Julie

If we sell a 70 more raffle tickets on Wednesday, we'll have an additional \$2,000 to be used to support the relocation of former Rotary Youth Exchange student Julie Tryukhan and her two children, who will arrive on Thursday. Fundraising Co-Chair Scott Brockamp is trying to raise the money by selling raffle tickets from the Knoxville Volunteer Rotary Club. Our goal is to sell 200 tickets. We have 70 left to sell and on Wednesday Scott will be selling them.

Leadership CEO Shares Program's History, Basics

Tammy White, president and chief executive officer of Leadership Knoxville Inc., was our speaker Wednesday and her focus was on servant leadership, how to use your influence as a leader and what does it mean to lead. Those are topics that those selected as members of a Leadership Knoxville class learn during their year.

Anyone can nominate someone for this 10-month program, but annually only 54 are selected out of approximately 400 nominations by a selection committee of past graduates. The tuition for the program is \$4,000 per member. To date the program has 1,700 graduates, White said.



She has been in her position for 13 years and prior to that she was executive director of the East Tennessee Health Information Network (etHIN). Since joining Leadership Knoxville she began the Mayor's Leadership Luncheon and has added youth and collegiate programs. Leadership Knoxville was founded in 1984 by Jim and Natalie Haslam.

If you would like to know more about Leadership Knoxville click on this [LINK](#)

Here is a [LINK](#) to the video about the program's 30th anniversary.

Four-Way Test

Rotary's Four-Way Test
of the things we think,
say or do:

- 1) Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2) Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4) Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Find Us On Facebook

If you have not visited our Facebook page, give it a try!

Stephanie Markowitz does a great job of keeping the page updated. If you have not visited our page, we invite you to do so and to also **LIKE** the page!

Here is a [LINK](#) to our page.

Our Wednesday ‘Humor’

Val Privett got us started with a wee bit of humor and it got a few laughs...and a few groans as well. Here is her joke:

“It's a shame nothing is made in America any more. I just bought a new TV which says ‘Built in Antenna’ and I don't even know where that is.”

That's worth one “yukka” for sure!!!

Wednesday's Guests & Visitors Report

It was a busy and fun day for guests both locally and from elsewhere, plus the faces of two beautiful future Rotarians. Here's the report!

- So far in this Rotary year and our two most beautiful guests were with us — future Rotarians **Orly Berry** and **Kate Myers** (pictured here). Both are in the Christian Academy of Knoxville Interact Club and daughters of Farragut Rotarians — PP Leah Berry and Greeter Noah Myers.
- Noah also had a guest, **Tony Rogers**, who is in the electric business and is interested in membership.
- Another future Rotarian attended his first meeting with his Dad. Scott Bertini introduced us to son **Noah**, 6, who starts school this year at Northshore Elementary. They are pictured here.
- Steve Krempasky's guest was **Jason Scott**, Operations Manager for The Lee Company in Knoxville.
- Prospective Member **Andrew Vollman** was the guest of Cindy Kraus. His membership has been approved and he will be inducted fairly soon.



- **Joe Johnson** was a Visiting Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Knoxville. Joe told us he was either an “honorary” member or an “ornery” member. Hard to tell which!!
- We had a pair of Visiting Rotarians from California — **Keith Schoenthal** of the Twilight Rotary Club of Sonoma and **Charles Howard-Gibbon** of the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa. Both were in town for a Boy Scouts of America national conference held at UT. They brought club flags and swapped them for ours from President Megan (see picture).



Our Family of Rotary Report



PP Bruce Williamson shares some not-so-good news about wife **Susan**. “We’re headed back to MD Anderson in Houston for another PET scan and a procedure on an area of cancer growth. That will be mid August,” he said. “Ultimately, there's a chemo-like treatment possible, but because the drug was originally developed for breast cancer patients, the use for my wife's cancer is not paid for by insurance, even though it has had considerable success in trials on other patients at MD Anderson. We're working and praying on that approval.” So are we, Bruce.

Judith Bradbury will have her right knee replaced on Tuesday August 23 at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville. She’s looking forward to being pain-free—after PT is done, she says.

Bettye Sisco spent the first part of this week at Duke Medical Center following a long week for her last week when she was at Park West Medical Center. Today’s report: “Better this weekend than last weekend. Still catching up on my bed sleep. My numbers are all good right now and it’s nice to have some energy back. Can’t complain this week,” she said.

Keep our family members in your prayers please!!

Let's 'Pack the Park To End Polio'

Only 4 tickets sold!!!! Is that the best we can do for the **12th Annual "PACK THE PARK TO END POLIO NOW"** on Tuesday Aug. 9 at the Tennessee Smokies game vs. the Mississippi Braves?



With a case of polio popping up in New York recently it's obvious that Rotary International's global push to eradicate polio is even more important now.

This is a great family fun event and President Megan will again have tickets available Wednesday. The first pitch for the "Taco Tuesday" night will be at 7 p.m. at the Smokies Stadium in Kodak. The \$12 donation for a ticket gets you a voucher into the game and

\$6 in stadium credit (available for Aug. 9 game only). And as a bonus \$5.50 from each ticket sold goes directly to help eradicate polio!

If you can't attend the game on August 9th your ticket voucher is good for any regular-season home game for the remainder of the 2022 season. It's a win-win!

We Celebrate 6 August Birthdays

Six members have August birthdays and today we celebrate them! Our happiest of birthday wishes to you all.

Aug. 6: Adam Brock
Aug. 10: Bettye Sisco
Aug. 11: Ron Williams
Aug. 20: Larry Sheumaker
Aug. 22: Jared Greene
Aug. 26: Fred Adomat



A Thought for Your Week

"Nothing is really work unless you would rather be doing something else." — **J.M. Barrie**