

# Rotary



Club of Oak Ridge  
Celebrating 75 Years

## Club Meeting

Oak Ridge  
Meets at DoubleTree by Hilton  
215 S. Illinois Avenue  
Oak Ridge, TN 37830  
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

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## THE Rotary Club of Oak Ridge



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in the **WORLD**

## Club Officers



**Curtis Scott Jamison**  
President



**J.R. Hertwig**  
President-Elect  
Club Membership  
Chair



**Emily Rice**  
Club Executive  
Secretary  
Webmaster



**Cynthia S. Jeffers**  
Treasurer



**Janice Sue Melcher**  
Club Rotary  
Foundation Chair



**Maria Catron**  
Club Service Chair  
Community Service  
Chair



**Todd W Bergener**  
Vocational Service  
Chair



**David Rankin**  
Club Youth  
Exchange Officer  
Club Youth Services  
Chair



**Robert Scott Smith**  
iPast President

## Invocation Schedule

June 27th Scott Jamison

July 4th No Meeting

July 11th Cyndi Jeffers

July 18th Ed Johnson

July 25th Craig Kallio

## Upcoming Meetings

## Special Announcements

### ADFAC Backpack Packing Service Event

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- 8-10 Pack volunteers needed for packing school supplies for ADFAC
- 2 Volunteers to deliver to Jellico Elementary School and Jellico High School.

June 27th  
[Oak Ridge Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Scott Jamison  
**Subject:** Club Awards, Installation of Officers

July 4th  
[No Meeting - Happy Independence Day!](#)

July 18th  
[Oak Ridge Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Scott Jamison and Alan Lowe  
**Subject:** Scholarship Day

#### Birthdays

No Birthdays this Week

#### Anniversaries

Sylvia Pastor  
06-27-2023  
1 Year

**WHEN:** Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30am

**WHERE:** Packing the school supplies will be done at the ADFAC School Supply closet in Oak Ridge (behind Zaxbys). The 2 drivers will deliver the backpacks to Jellico Elementary and Jellico High School.

**How to Sign up to volunteer:** [ADFAC Backpack Volunteer Link](#)

We will be using SignUpGenius to manage our volunteering this year. You will click the link, enter your information in, and then you will receive an alert 2 days prior to the event.

Please contact Emily Rice ([emily.o.rice@gmail.com](mailto:emily.o.rice@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

#### Bylaws Vote on June 20 - Approved by the Membership

On June 4th, 11th, and 19th, club members received an email informing the club that the Bylaws Committee met and made changes to the current Bylaws as well as the Customs, Policies and Procedures documents. The new Bylaws and a document outlining the changes were attached to those emails. The new Bylaws as well as the new Customs, Policies and Procedures were approved by the Board. The changes to the Customs, Policies and Procedures changes only required Board approval. The Bylaws changes require Board approval as well as approval by the club membership. The club membership voted on the revisions to the Bylaws at the regular club meeting on June 20, 2024 and the new Bylaws were approved by unanimous vote.

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### Last Week's Program

#### Alan Lowe: Lessons Learned from Senator Howard Baker Jr.

Rotarian Alan Lowe provided our program on June 20. From 2003-2009, Alan served as the founding director of the Howard Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville (now the Howard Baker School for Public Policy and Public Affairs). Howard Baker Jr. had served for many years in the United States Senate, including service as Minority and Majority Leader, and as Vice Chair of the Senate Watergate Committee. Later, he was White House Chief of Staff for President Reagan, and in the early 2000's served as US Ambassador to Japan. Alan recounted some of what he calls his "Baker's Dozen" of important lessons he learned from the Senator that could be helpful for all of us. For example, Senator Baker advocated for civil discourse, stating that we must always "have a decent respect for differing points of view." He stressed that our republic requires engaged and educated citizens. And happily, he always emphasized the importance of both humility and humor. Alan noted that if we follow these Baker guidelines, our personal and civic lives would indeed be much enriched.



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### This Week's Program

#### Installation of 2024-25 Board and a Farewell to 2023-24

JR Hertwig - President

Wendie Aurin - President Elect

Jeff Phillips - Vice President

Cyndi Jeffers - Treasurer

Judy Wilson - Secretary

Elaine Bunick - Foundation

Brent Rankin - Youth Services Co-Director

Nicole Eckert - Youth Services Director

Chris Copelan - Public Relations Director

Emily Rice - Community Service Director

Scott Jamison - President

JR Hertwig - President Elect

Emily Rice - Secretary

Cyndi Jeffers - Treasurer

Wendie Aurin - Public Image Director

Todd Bergener - Vocational Service Director

Maria Catron - Community Service Director

Jan Melcher - Foundation Director

Emily Rice - Community Service Director  
Todd Bergener - Vocational Service Director  
Scott Jamison - Immediate Past President  
Mark Watson - Past President

Brent Rankin - Youth Services Director  
Scott Smith - Immediate Past President

We welcome our new board for this year.

Thank you past board members for your contributions and efforts keeping our club very successful.

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## Virtual Meeting Information

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We are still offering our meetings virtually, but we would still love to see everyone in person if you are able to join us!

### Using Zoom

To join Zoom, just click the link below from your phone or computer. This will prompt you to download the appropriate software if you don't yet have it, and then automatically open the virtual meeting.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86242538108>

To call-in by phone only or to use your phone's audio, call  
Phone Number: (312) 626 6799  
Meeting ID: **862 4253 8108**

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## Giving Happy Dollars



The link below can be used for all Happy Dollars. **Please enter the purpose in the transaction description field, as shown below.**

[Make a payment here.](#)

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## This Month's Rotary Theme



**JUNE DESIGNATION IS**

**ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH**

*"What binds Rotarians together is a unity of desire and a unity of purpose to serve society and to serve mankind...a unity in diversity."*  
Past RI President C.P.H. Teenstra 1965-66

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