

Rotary



Club of Oak Ridge-Breakfast

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Club Meeting

Oak Ridge-Breakfast
Meets at The Unitarian Universalist Church of Oak Ridge
809 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN 37830
Time: Wednesday at 07:15 AM

Club Meeting This Week

Our program this week: Luis Jimenez, Microsoft

ORBRC Weekly Meeting Wednesday 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

ORBRC Club 3878 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting (Recurring Zoom Link)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87665426094?pwd=R0k3L1FxYm83ekdhTG1abjg3UHVzQT09>

Meeting ID: 876 6542 6094

Passcode: 911299

Following COVID Guidelines

COVID-19 Status:

Per the CDC COVID-19 County Check, the Community Level for COVID-19 is HIGH for both Anderson and Roane Counties.

The precautions from the CDC for High Community Level is:

- Wear a [mask](#) indoors in public
- Stay [up to date](#) with COVID-19 vaccines
- [Get tested](#) if you have symptoms
- Additional precautions may be needed for people [at high risk for severe illness](#)

People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask.

The ORUUC has not directly provided us with any additional requirements, so we will continue with serving breakfast, but ask all of you to exercise caution and PLEASE do NOT attend the meeting if you are experiencing any symptoms, recently had a positive test or exposure to someone with COVID-19.

Meeting Notes August 3, 2022

Notes for Rotary Meeting August 3, 2022

Submitted by Beth Shea

Guests: We had no guests this week other than our speakers from SARG.

Announcements:

President Lydia Birk announced that Davida Hammond has agreed to be our club secretary. Lydia placed her name in nomination and called for a vote. It passed unanimously. Thank you, Davida! Lydia also announced that Tammy Saylor was stepping down as Vice President – Internal. Stuart Clark is willing to serve in that office. Thank you, Stuart, and thank you, Tammy, for your hard work!



Assistant District Governor

Birthdays

- Alan L. Liby
August 13th
- Keith E Craft
August 17th
- Thomas J. Lakers
August 20th
- David Olsen
August 22nd
- Anthony Garton
August 22nd
- Stephen Barnes
August 26th
- Wayne A Houlberg
September 1st
- Sheila Michel
September 2nd
- John Roberts
September 2nd
- Davyda Hammond
September 3rd
- James B Roberto
September 4th

Years of Service

- Ray Smith
08-27-2003
19 Years
- James R. Michel
08-07-2009
13 Years
- Wayne A Houlberg
08-09-2017
5 Years
- Martin Grossbeck
08-11-2021
1 Year
- Sheila Michel
08-18-2021
1 Year

Lydia sent around a sign-up sheet for note takers to fill in for Pat Postma. The Fellowship Committee is busy planning a fundraiser auction for October 25. See Matt or Jana Brayton if you want to help. Park the Park for Polio is coming up on August 9 at 7 pm. Tickets are \$12. Contact Tony Wright if you have program ideas. Ray Garrett shared that another group, the Heritage Club, got a 10,000 grant to build a hutment, so he and Ray Smith are placing their plans on hold. This was going to be our club program on August 29, so we will need another program.

Stuart led the Joker Draw this week. The Joker was in hiding so the jackpot will grow.

Brenda Thornburgh served as the backup Rooster. She fined Mike Morris \$5 for his grandson's photo on the front page of the Oak Ridger. Tony Wright was fined \$5 for his birthday. Brenda updated us that there is a polio case in New York, so this is an important reason to either attend Pack the Park or donate \$40 for Rotary's efforts to fight polio. Brenda also acknowledged August Rotary membership anniversaries.

Happy Dollars:

Tom Lakers was happy because of Jerry Young's 44 years of Rotary membership. Louise Mixon asked us to vote for her as she is dancing in the upcoming Free Medical Clinic Bash. Bonnie was happy about a recent trip to Portugal. Beth Shea was happy as her daughter has completed Basic Cadet Training at USAFA and is now a cadet. Wayne was happy because his hummingbirds are drinking a gallon of syrup a day. Emily Jernigan was happy because of her progress after hip surgery and because Pat Postma is doing so well after her surgery. Lydia Birk was sad because her dog had to be put to sleep unexpectedly.

Program:

President Lydia introduced our four speakers from SARG, which stands for Shelter Animals Rescue Group. SARG is an all-volunteer group formed 26 years ago to pull mixed breed animals from the Oak Ridge Animal Shelter. At that time, the shelter had a high kill rate (70-75%). Purebred animals were pulled by their breed rescue groups and there was a need for the mixed breed animals to have that same chance. All of the dogs and cats that SARG pulls are placed in foster homes. They are assessed and then adopted out to permanent homes. There is a process to adopt an animal from SARG, and once an animal is a SARG animal it is always a SARG animal. If there are issues in the future SARG will take the animal back and rehome it. Elderly animals are permanent fosters. SARG pays medical expenses for fosters and the foster parent pays for the food. SARG also helps with area spay/neuter efforts and has a pet food distribution program to help senior citizens be able to afford to keep their pets. Information packets were provided on the tables.

Polio Awareness Update

Below is a brief polio update that you can share with your clubs to further awareness of Rotary's #1 priority; The Global Eradication of Polio.

- As of August 3rd, there were 19 confirmed cases of polio in 2022 (+6 since last month). 1 in Afghanistan, 14 in Pakistan and 4 in Mozambique. At this point in 2021 there were just 2 cases. The majority of the year over year increase is coming from Pakistan, but the reappearance of wild polio in Africa is certainly cause for concern. Be assured that surveillance in that region has increased dramatically, as have the number of national vaccination events.
- There have been recent news reports regarding a young man in New York who had recently contracted polio. Here are some details about that case.

He is an unvaccinated male in his early 20's and contracted what's called "Vaccine Derived Polio Type 2" (aka CVDPV2). Various news sources have indicated that he had traveled internationally (Central Europe) within the past few months.

There are certain risks associated with being unvaccinated and international travel, and sadly for him it didn't go well.

Oral Polio Vaccine has not been used in the USA for more than 20 years, and the type 2 component was removed from Oral Polio Vaccine worldwide during "the big switch" in 2016. So, it sounds like he came into contact with something that had been circulating for quite a while.

Fortunately, the Washington Post reports that his condition is improving. .

- Our 12 annual **"Pack the Park to End Polio Now!"** is set for Tuesday August 9th at Smokies Stadium in Kodak, TN.

YOUR \$12.00 DONATION gets a ticket voucher, \$6.00 in Stadium Credit, and lots of fun!!, and \$5.50 from each ticket sold goes directly to help fight Polio!

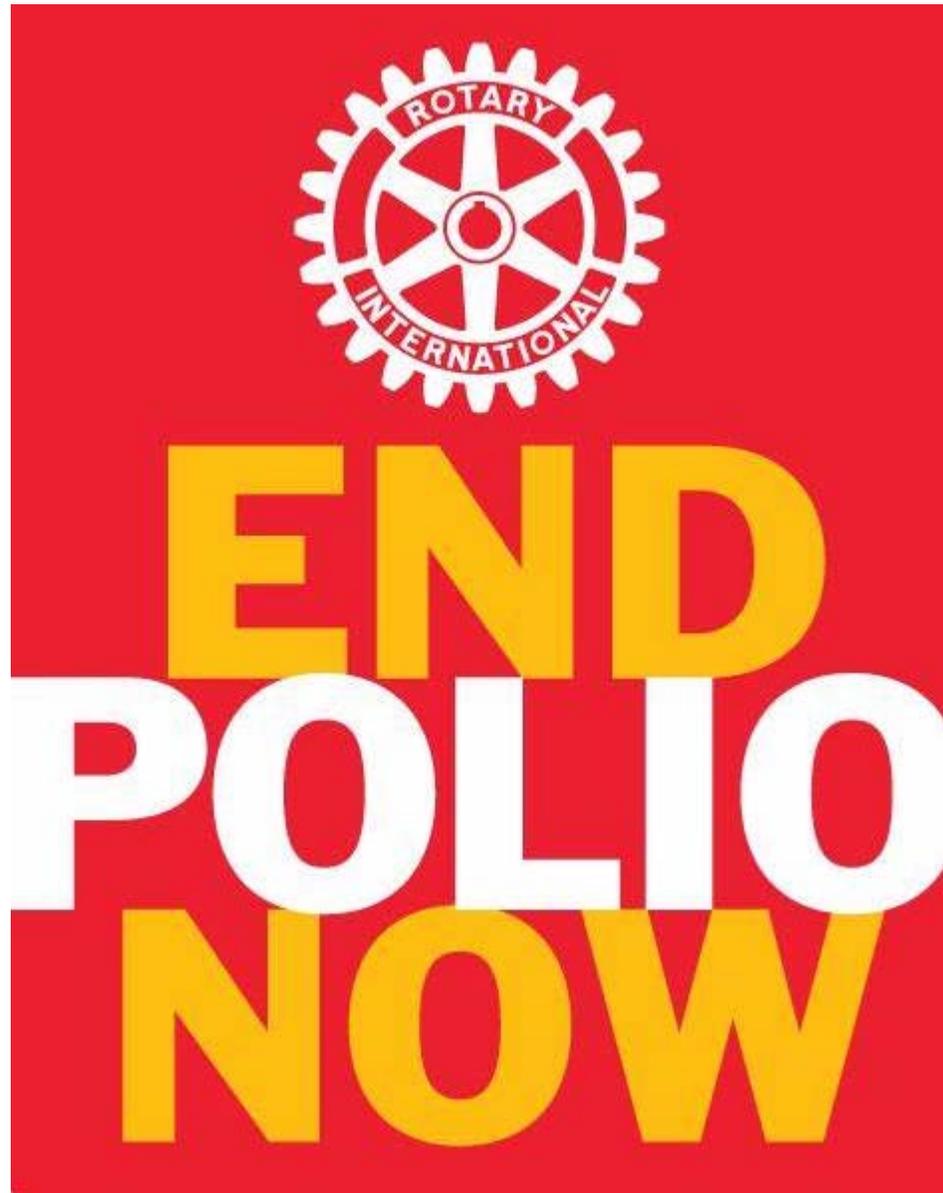
You'll find details on the District 6780 website and Facebook page.

DG AI will throw out the first pitch at 7:00pm EDT so don't miss this chance to spend some time with fellow Rotarians from across the district while supporting a great cause.

~ If you are interested in coming to the game but don't have a ticket, get in touch with me and we'll work something out ~

If you have any questions about PolioPlus, goals, awards, or anything of that nature please feel free to call, text or email me. If I don't have the answer, I'll do my very best to find it. Thanks for all you do in support of Rotary, I hope you are having a great year!

John Downs
Chair - End Polio Now!



Kentucky Flood Relief

KENTUCKY FLOOD RELIEF INFORMATION

As you are aware, Eastern Kentucky has been hard hit with flooding these past couple of weeks. Many of our Rotary clubs have been asking how they can help. Here is that information for you.

Eastern Kentucky Disaster Relief Fund
ONLINE DONATION OPTION IS NOW AVAILABLE.

Please use the link below to make online donations for Pikeville Rotary Club Eastern Kentucky Disaster Relief Fund spearheaded by Rotary D6740.

<https://appalachianky.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund...>
or
<https://bit.ly/PikevilleRotaryEKYRelief>

If you would like to send monetary donations, please mail your checks to
Pikeville Rotary Club Eastern Kentucky Disaster Relief Fund

PO Box 988
Pikeville, KY 41502

These funds would be used for immediate disaster relief for the affected families as decided by a group of local Rotarians.

The fund is being set up as a 501(c)(3) account with our Pikeville Community Foundation (local chapter of Foundation of Appalachian Kentucky).

Please report any donations made by your Rotary Club or Rotarians to our District Treasurer, Jenifer Campbell at hackettj@aol.com. Please attach a copy of the check or a receipt from an online donation. This is so we can report on the giving of our Rotarians.

As we found out when we worked the Gatlinburg Wildfires disaster, monetary funds are needed more than supplies. It has been reported that fresh water and other necessities are being donated and distributed to those in need. The beauty of having the funds is that they can be used for the immediate need at hand which changes weekly or daily sometimes. Here is the link to Rotary District 6740's Pikeville Rotary Club Facebook page which details the current situation. <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=pikeville%20rotary%20club>

Our District will be working on a Disaster Relief Grant as soon as the Ukraine Disaster Relief Grant is closed out.

Direct any questions to DG Al Clark at aclark176@comcast.net.

Thank you for your generosity in this matter.

DG Al Clark
Serving Rotary Well

Upcoming Programs

- August 10. Luis Jimenez. Microsoft
- August 17. Joe Thompson. Medal Of Honor Celebration Knoxville September.
- August 24. Ray Garrett and Ray Smith, Hutment Replica

Have Program Ideas? Contact Tony Wright

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