

Rotary



Club of Oak Ridge-Breakfast

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Birthdays

Mary Lou Auxier
January 28th
Peter Bancroft
February 7th
Liz Tucker
February 7th
Daniel Robbins
February 8th
Christina Kloker Young
February 14th

Years of Service

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

Events

No Events found

Club Meeting This Week

Club Meeting - Wednesday at 7:30 a.m.!

January 24 Program - **Erin Elizabeth Smith Oak Ridge Poet Laureate**

SPECIAL!! In case of bad weather, we will follow the Oak Ridge School's schedule. If Oak Ridge Schools are closed the Oak Ridge Breakfast Rotary Club meeting will be cancelled. President Tom will also send out an email by 6:00 am notifying the membership if the meeting is cancelled.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 876 6542 6094
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2023 -2024 Programs

January 24 Erin Elizabeth Smith Oak Ridge Poet Laureate

January 31 Jim Smith. Hiking the Triple Crown

Christina Young Letter

Christina sent this letter to Chris Osborne, and we thought members of the club might like to read it.

Be Well Christina!!

Dear family and friends who reached out to me when dearest Jerry passed away,

Your prayers, being at his memorial in person and online, calls, visits, and cards, food, books, and flowers have filled me with gratitude and love. I also thank those of you who sent a memorial gift to 2nd Presbyterian church in Knoxville, TN or to the Michael J. Fox foundation for Parkinson research. It has taken me a while to respond as adjusting has been difficult. I am so grateful for the 40 years Jerry and I were married as we experienced your caring & much joy. It was so special to be surrounded with our blended family of 7 children and 12 grandchildren at the Nursing center and the beautiful memorial service. We were thrilled Yuri Tachi from Japan was able to be with us in August to say goodbye to Jerry.

I have an excellent grief counselor, pastors and close family helping me through the ups and downs of this time of grief. And often I hear from you by phone or text and it is a joy. Please forgive the typed letter as my essential tremors have worsened and writing by hand is a challenge. These times of adjustment and change are so helpful as I remember and read again your cards, email, gifts and again I thank you. I am spending some time with my daughter Lisa Wolfe and family in Oklahoma and Katy Wolfe and family in The Great Smoky Mountains, during the holiday season. I have moved to a beautiful retirement community near Katy's place. Katy and Lisa's family are helping me celebrate my 80th birthday February 14, in January at a warm place. I welcome any of you to call or text; please stay in touch in this new year. You are each the light in dark places in this time and a gift of gratitude. My sincere thanks for your love, friendship and kindness. You are God's gift to me.
Love and peace,

My new address is Christina Kloker Young 804 Shannondale Way Apt 121 Maryville, TN 37803.
ckyoung1944@gmail.com 865-414-8272.

David Olsen
02-20-2002
22 Years

Brian Buuck
01-30-2008
16 Years

Andy Boyer
02-18-2009
15 Years

Kesha Waters
02-04-2019
5 Years

Matt Tucker
02-07-2022
2 Years

New Peace License Plate!

An initiative by Rotary District 6760 to have a specialty plate dedicated to Peace has been approved by the TN State Legislature and the campaign to get 1,000 registered motorists signed up is underway. Here are the details:

1. The first year's \$35 will be covered by donations from the Districts. The goal is for \$35,000 to be donated from Club Foundations so that no one has to pay the \$35 the first year.

2. You don't have to be a Rotarian to have the plate, which is a big deal. Anyone can sign up for the plate and the money still comes to the Rotary Districts of Tennessee. As a bit of information, the Don't Tread on Me plate has almost 29,000 motorists who display it, and it generates about \$1million dollars to their organization.

3. This needs to be accomplished by June 1, 2024.

4. \$20,000 has been pledged so far by clubs.

Click The Link Below to purchase this license plate!
<https://us-ppf.org/>

Our American Roots 2024!

"Our American Roots" is pleased to inform you that starting next month a new series of lectures will be presented in Oak Ridge. As with last year, this series will focus on the achievements and challenges of various ethnic groups that have made our community and nation so strong. The series of talks is hosted by a partnership between the Oak Ridge Institute for Continued Learning (ORICL) and the Oak Ridge Breakfast Rotary Club Foundation (ORBRCF). The partnership hopes that this lecture series will foster unity among our community's diverse groups of people.

Each of these talks is free to the public and will be held in the Wamp Auditorium at the Y-12 New Hope Center, 602 Scarboro Rd., Oak Ridge, TN. The doors will open at 5:00 for a reception for the speaker and light food will be served. The presentation will begin at 6:00 PM.

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Our American Roots

An Exploration of Cultures: A NEW Four-Part Series



OUR AMERICAN ROOTS
AN EXPLORATION OF CULTURES

The implementation of *Our American Roots* is based on the following premise:

The "us vs. them" mentality is pervasive in many areas. And yet, as members of the human race, we are all more alike than we are different. Even so, there are differences among us – differences in culture, language, beliefs, and values. If we can understand, respect, and appreciate these differences, we can bridge the gap between "us and them." *Our American Roots* is designed to build bridges.

Our American Roots is presented by the Oak Ridge Institute for Continued Learning in partnership with the Oak Ridge Breakfast Rotary Club.

- ***Understanding Appalachia – The Most Misunderstood Region in the Country.***
Thursday, **February 8, 2024**, 5 p.m.,* CNS New Hope Center, 602 Scarboro Rd.
Speaker: Dr. Chad Berry, Vice President for Alumni, Communications and Philanthropy at Berea College.
- ***Persecution of Uyghurs in China – A Uyghur's Perspective.***
Tuesday, **March 26, 2024**, 5 p.m.,* CNS New Hope Center, 602 Scarboro Rd.
Speaker: Dr. Abdurahim Oguz, ORNL Physicist and Uyghur.
- ***Navigating Identities and Borders – The Evolution of Latino Immigration and U.S. Policy.***
Tuesday, **April 9, 2024**, 5 p.m.,* CNS New Hope Center, 602 Scarboro Rd.
Speaker: Arléne Amarante, Assistant Professor of Law, Lincoln Memorial University.
- ***From Peddlers to PhDs – The Jewish Experience in East Tennessee.***
Thursday, **May 16, 2024**, 5 p.m.,* CNS New Hope Center, 602 Scarboro Rd.
Speaker: Wendy Besmann, Author of *A Separate Circle: Jewish Life in Knoxville*.

*Doors open at 5 p.m. for a reception for the speaker. Light food will be served.
Presentations start at 6 p.m.

For more information on *Our American Roots*, please go to the following website: <https://www.roanestate.edu/oar>

Alternatively, scan the QR Code at right.



Special Sheila Arnold Scarborough 85 Public Event!

FLATWATER TALES is sponsoring this Amazing Event!

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<p>FLATWATER TALES PRESENTS</p> <h1>SCARBORO 85</h1> <p>AS TOLD BY MASTER STORYTELLER SHEILA ARNOLD</p>	
<p>EVENT HIGHLIGHTS: Sheila tells the “secret” story of the 85 brave Scarborough students who were FIRST to desegregate a school system in the Southeast.</p> <p>PUBLIC PERFORMANCES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feb 20 - 3:00PM Scarborough Community Center, 148 Carver Ave.• Feb 21 - 11:00AM ORICL Roane State Community College, 701 Briarcliff Ave. Goff Building #107• Feb 21 - 7:00PM Oak Valley Baptist Church, 194 Hampton Road• Feb 22 - 7:00PM Oak Ridge Heritage & Preservation Association at American Museum of Science and Energy, 115 E. Main Street	
<p>FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FIND MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.FLATWATERTALES.COM</p>	<p>OUR SPONSORS: TENNESSEE ARTS COMMISSION, CNS Y-12 CONSOLIDATED NUCLEAR SECURITY, PINNACLE FINANCIAL PARTNERS, SUNSET ROTARY, BREAKFAST ROTARY AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF OAK RIDGE</p>