

# Rotary

## Club of Oyster Point of Newport News



### Off to the races! Social incoming...

Our annual Kentucky Derby themed social will be on Saturday, May 3rd starting at 5pm at the beautiful home of Michael Daniels.

All rotarians, their spouses/significant others plus any potential rotarians are invited to attend.

We will have games as well as an opportunity to bet with your fellow rotarians on the race and of course, the big race on TV for everyone to cheer on their favorite horse.

Feel free to dress up in your best derby attire!

We will have some beer and wine as well as mint juleps but if there is anything else you would like to drink, please feel free to bring it. We will also have cups/plates/napkins/ice for the party as well as iced tea and lemonade.

We are asking everyone to bring a dish to share, bonus points if it's a Kentucky Derby themed dish.

Please let Betsy Fink ([fink.betsy@gmail.com](mailto:fink.betsy@gmail.com) or [757-](tel:757-871-5188)

871-5188) know if you are able to attend and how many folks will be joining you so that we can plan accordingly.

Can't wait to see everyone on Saturday, May 3rd!

### Companion Club Meetings

Join us on the first Thursday of every month at the Coastal Fermentory Uptown, 5:30pm til whenever!

### Speaker 4/25/25 - Nick Vlattas



Nicholas E. Vlattas was born in Newport News, Virginia, on October 26, 1952, to parents Emmanuel and Anne Vlattas. He has one sister, Maria. He is a Christian and a lifelong member of Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, where he has served in many capacities, including Parish Council President, Sunday School Teacher, Greek Festival Steering Committee, and in Missions, Stewardship, and Finance Ministries. His Greek heritage traces back to his grandparents who immigrated to the U.S. in the early 1900s.

He attended elementary school at Saint Andrews and Hidenwood Elementary School and graduated from Ferguson High School in 1970. Nick went on to study at Virginia Tech, where he earned a Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1976 and met the love of his life, Barbara Burgin Vlattas. After dating throughout college, they married in 1977, settled in Newport News, and later designed and built their home in Yorktown. They have two children: Kristen,

who married David Wickre, and Nicholas, who married Kelsey Kool. Nick and Barbara are proud grandparents of Eleni, age 14, and Andrew, age 4.

In 1979, Nick co-founded the architectural firm Hanbury Wright Vlattas + Company, where he served as Chief Operations Officer and Treasurer. The firm has grown to 164 employees with eight offices nationwide. After more than 40 years of service, Nick retired from the firm on February 1, 2019. During his career, he served as President of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Coastal Virginia Chapter and AIA Virginia. In 2019, he was honored to be invested into the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects—AIA's highest membership honor—held by less than 3% of its 100,000 members.

After retirement and a bucket-list trip to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York, Nick was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer on September 17, 2019. Thanks to God, the talents and knowledge of doctors and healthcare teams at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Riverside Regional Medical Center, and TPMG—and the prayers and support of family and friends—he will celebrate the fifth anniversary of his Whipple surgery to remove the cancer on April 27, 2025. It was the first of three major surgeries.

Nick has loved baseball since childhood and has long been a fan of the Baltimore Orioles. Formerly a Baltimore Colts fan, he is now a Ravens supporter and remains passionate about football, especially his alma mater, Virginia Tech. He attends most home football games at his happy place—Lane Stadium. Nick also loves golf and has attended seven of The Masters tournaments.

His interests include intensive Bible study through weekly involvement in Bible Study Fellowship. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Virginia Tech and in the New River Valley. Since retiring, Nick has taken up gardening and cooking as new hobbies.

He is a charter member of the Rotary Club of Oyster Point and has maintained perfect attendance since its founding in 1984. Nick deeply values the fellowship and the “Service Above Self” motto of both the club and Rotary International.

## Calgary International Convention: Registration Open!

The Rotary International Convention is open to all Rotarians. Register [here](#) for an exciting opportunity to have fun with fellow members from our district and around the world.



# MAGIC ALL AROUND

21-25 JUNE 2025 • CALGARY, CANADA

Register today at [convention.rotary.org](https://convention.rotary.org)

**#Rotary25**

## Rotary Month: April is Maternal & Child Health Month

April is Maternal & Child Health Month. Rotary provides education, immunizations, birth kits, and mobile health clinics. Women are taught how to prevent mother-to-infant HIV transmission, how to breast-feed,



and how to protect themselves and their children from disease.

## MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

### In Person Breakfast Meeting + Zoom

The Rotary Club of Oyster Point is meets at the James River Country Club at 7:30 am for breakfast as well as in a [Zoom Meeting](#).

The Zoom meeting will start at 7:45 a.m. You can log in as early as 7:00 am to enjoy coffee and social time before the meeting starts. There is plenty of capacity to host visiting Rotarians, potential members, and guests. Bring a guest and introduce them to the Rotary Club of Oyster Point!

[Read More](#)

### Events

April 25th, 7:00-8:30 AM

[Oyster Point of Newport News Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Nick Vlattas

**Subject:** My Journey Through Pancreatic Cancer

May 9th, 7:00-8:30 AM

[Oyster Point of Newport News Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Janice Powel Coastal Bath and Shower

**Subject:** Slip and Fall prevention.

May 23rd, 7:00-8:30 AM

[Oyster Point of Newport News Weekly Club](#)

May 2nd, 7:00-8:30 AM

[Oyster Point of Newport News Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Eric Wildemann

**Subject:** The story of "Faust" ,... by 18th century author Johann Wolfgang von Goethe.

May 16th, 7:00-8:30 AM

[Oyster Point of Newport News Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Adelia Thompson CEO Peninsula Community Foundation



## Birthdays



Timothy W. Whitlock  
May 1st



Thomas P Herbert  
May 15th

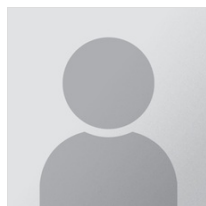


Michael J. Link  
May 19th

## Years of Service



John H Whitley Jr.  
41 Years



Jefferson W. Johnson Jr.  
37 Years



Dale Goodman  
37 Years



Timothy W. Whitlock  
29 Years



Ed Maroney  
16 Years



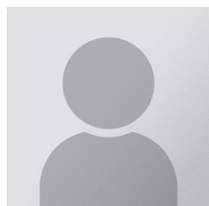
Feryl Marlin Stover  
9 Years



Adam Creekmur  
4 Years



Michael J. Link  
2 Years



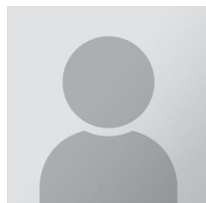
Olivia O'Malley  
2 Years



Kristen Ball  
2 Years



Bertram Wheat  
1 Year



Nathaniel S Garn  
0 Years

## Club Leaders



[Jeffery Andrew Trimbur](#)  
President  
Club Director



[Leslie A. Bryant](#)  
Club Director  
Satellite Club  
Chair  
Community  
Service Chair  
Youth Services  
Chair



[Lindsey Watson](#)  
President-Elect  
Club Director  
International  
Service Chair  
Membership  
Chair



[Delp C. Givens](#)  
President-  
Nominee  
Club Director



[David A Loop](#)  
Club Director  
iPast President



[Feryl Marlin Stover](#)  
iPast President



[Sarah M. Saville](#)  
Club Director  
Secretary  
International  
Service Chair



[Ed Maroney](#)  
Club Director  
Treasurer  
Webmaster



[Robert A. Manzie](#)  
Sergeant-at-  
Arms



[Richard Brandt](#)  
Club Director  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair



[Michael Daniels](#)  
Club Director



[Betsy Fink](#)  
Club Director  
Hospitality



[Philip L. Hatchett](#)  
Club Director



[Thomas P Herbert](#)  
Club Director



[Dale Goodman](#)  
Interact Club  
Sponsor



[Nelson E. Kelley](#)  
Club Programs  
Chair

## Club Meeting

Oyster Point of Newport News

Meets at We are meeting in person at the James River Country Club and via Zoom. Please email the President for the link to join us.

1500 Country Club Road

Newport News, VA

Time: Friday at 07:30 AM