

Rotary

Club of Caesar Rodney of Wilmington



Club Leaders



Brian Martinenza Jr.
President



Helen Apostolico
President-Elect



Neal Donaldson
Treasurer



Chris Malmstrom
Club Comm. Offcr - CCO
Club Public Relations Chair
Club Webmaster



Thomas Shumusic
Secretary



Robert B Fischer
Sergeant-at-Arms



Tim Mihok
Club Admin Chair
President-Nominee
Vice President



David Tallmadge Andrews Jr.
Club Director
Club Programs Chair
Lee Dotson

Speakers

March 24th
Service Activity - TBD

April 14th
Committee Meetings

March 31st
NO MEETING due to social event

Events

No Events found

Birthdays



Desmond A. Baker
April 9th

Years of Service



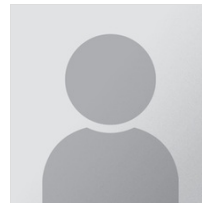
Matthew McMenemy
13 Years



Brian Martinenza Jr.
8 Years



Helen Apostolico
3 Years



Katherine Martinenza
0 Years

Committee List 2023-24

This Week's Meeting



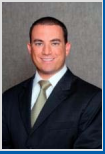
Club
Director
Club
Service
Chair



Gregory L.
Finkle
Club Activity
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Chr
Club
Director



Debbie
Janocha
Club
Director



Matthew
McMenemy
Club
Director
Club
Membership
Chair



Nancy
Reilly
Michener
Club
Director
Club
Fellowship
Chair



Trevor
Peirce
Turner
Club
Director



Robert G.
Elder
Club
Foundation
Chair



Donald T.
Fulton
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Richard
Harra
Club
Chaplain



Sarah
Elizabeth
Jones
Club
Foundation
Chair

James E.

Whist Club 7:20 Wear Green!

Fourth Friday Offsite Meeting

Down On the Farm! We Return to West End

As some of you may know, we have decided to make the fine folks at West End a strategic partner for the next year or so. While we will incorporate some other charities in our volunteer efforts, we will try and focus on supporting West End in their various endeavors. They are in our geographic area of focus, they have numerous projects that mesh well with our core mission, and they are great people! Next Friday we will be returning to help them on their farm, which was a blast last time. More info and directions will be provided this week.

Upcoming Greeters

Doing a little better on greeter attendance. Please try and swap with someone if you can't make it. If you have no intention of attending meetings please give Rob a shout so he can modify the greeter list accordingly.

Mar 17: David Andrew, Jim Vachris, Tony Vassalotti
April 4: Helen Apostolico, Desmond Baker, Jack Barr
April 14: Alisha Bryson, Jim Cloonan, Xavi Decaire
April 21: Neal Donaldson, Lee Dotson, Rich Dudek

Sunday Breakfast Mission

By Chris Malmstrom on Monday, March 6, 2023





Vachris Jr.
Club
Scholarship
Chair



Allison
David
AG Area 10

At Caesar Rodney Rotary we take the Rotary motto of service above self to heart and do at least one service project per month. This month we went to the Sunday Breakfast Mission and helped them sort food donations. As you can see by the pictures, we had a great turnout, and more than a little fun.



New Member - First Posting

We are pleased to announce that Katherine (Katie) Martinenza has applied to be a Base member of CRR. Katie has been a teacher for 20 years and is currently teaching Performing Arts at the Wilmington Friends school. Katie lives in Newark with her husband Brian and her four kids, Avery, Easton, Bennett and Sutton. Katie has been active with other charitable organizations including Miss Delaware, the Lukemia & Lymphoma Society, and the DE Music Educators Association. In her spare time she enjoys flowers, gardening, theater and Lily Pulitzer (Google it, I did). While many of us have already met Katie at a variety of Rotary events, if you have not, please introduce yourself and make her feel welcome!

Other Cool Stuff Coming Up

Fifth Friday Social - We will be getting together at the Chancery Market Food Hall and Bar on Thursday March 30 to hang out, have a drink, and check out this great new space. This is at 1313 N Market St with free parking available after 5:30. Feel free to bring a spouse, partner, guest, co-worker, or prospective member. Shoot Matt an RSVP e-mail with a head count if you can. This helps him reserve us some space, and he feels loved when he gets e-mails from you!

Ninja Warrior Park Fundraiser - Saturday April 22 at Tonic. 111 W. 11th St. Wilmington - The area 10 Rotary clubs have committed to raising a big chunk of money to help in the building of the Ninja Playground, which will be an addition to the Can-Do Playground we are all familiar with. We are kicking off our fundraising drive with get together at Tonic with other area Rotarians. Tickets are \$25/person. For more info go to: <https://www.tonicsns.com/store/event/rotary-fundraiser/>

Engineers Without Borders - You might remember Rebecca Berwick, one of the U of D Engineering students who spoke to us a few months ago. She has invited us to their benefit brunch on May 7th, from 10 to 1 at the Executive Banquet and Conference Center on the U of D campus. if you would like to attend or get more info, the link is: [Engineers Without Borders Benefit Event Brunch : University of Delaware \(alumniq.com\)](https://www.alumniq.com/Engineers-Without-Borders-Benefit-Event-Brunch-University-of-Delaware)

MARCH 13, 2023 MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Fellow Rotarians,

Over the last couple of weeks, our clubs have had several new members join Rotary. I had the distinct pleasure to take part in three of those installations when Marie Evans (Georgetown-Millsboro), Dr. Steven Lucas (Harrington-Greenwood-Felton Centennial), and Tracy McCullough (North East) joined their clubs.

It is rewarding to see that two thirds of our clubs are experiencing membership growth in this Rotary year. They are utilizing the tools and ideas extended to them from our Membership Summit last September. These clubs have become intentional about membership growth and understand why growth is important to the vitality of their clubs.

Over the past two weeks, I have received word about three of our clubs utilizing "Discover Rotary" or "Rotary Information" events to cultivate prospective members. Fifteen prospects attended these events and seven are expected to join Rotary. Not a bad batting average!

Some of our clubs realize that not everyone can meet when they meet and they can grow their clubs by creating Satellite or Companion Clubs. The members of this type of club are members of the host club but meet at a different time. They participate in their own service projects, but also help with their host's projects. We have reported to you regarding Camden-Wyoming's Satellite Club at Nobles Pond, an age 55+ community. They started with eight members and this week I will have the pleasure of installing four new members at Nobles Pond. Two other clubs have grasped onto this idea and are working on creating Satellite Clubs in age 55+ communities.

Congratulations to our newest Rotary Club of Newark Star! They are having their Charter Celebration this week. They will be installing 21 charter members and 4 additional members who have joined since Rotary International approved their club application. We are told they will be at 30 members by June 30th. Outstanding!

Attracting and recruiting new members is only part of the membership journey. We must nurture and engage our new members to meet their expectations when they joined. Having an orientation process and providing a mentor for new members makes a huge difference. Conducting periodic surveys with all our members helps retain our members. Are we continuing to meet their expectations? Are our clubs flexible and be willing to adapt to what we learn from our members?

We urge you to reach out to us to help you with the membership journey and helping your club be the best it can be.

Yours In Rotary Service,

DG Cliff

Club Meeting

Caesar Rodney of Wilmington
Meets at University and Whist Club - Washington Room
805 N Broom St.
Wilmington, DE 19806
Time: Friday at 07:15 AM