



SMILE

THIS WEEK AT ROTARY . . . Monday, March 30, 2020

A Message From Your Club President

Hello Rotarians,

It's been almost three weeks since we last met and Day #4 of the governor's "Stay at Home" order. When we adjourned on March 9, who would have imagined we'd be here today? I hope that this note finds all of you complying, coping, staying healthy and appreciating a little time with your family.

DISTRICT PROJECTS UPDATE. Thanks to your support and the oversight of Alisa Zink, Rotary of Dayton supplied almost 150 City of Dayton students with coats, hats and gloves this year. At the request of school nurses and administration, we also provided them with a wide selection of uniform khaki pants and youth underwear, apparently often-needed items. Attached are reports from Kelly Lehman and Sarah Hippensteel-Hall updating us on the Water Safety and Water Signage projects respectively. As you know, these projects are funded 50% by District monies; our club's foundation provides the balance thanks to your financial support of the Dayton Rotary Foundation.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT. Speaking of the Dayton Rotary Foundation, our local projects and grants are funded primarily through your weekly Day-10 contributions to the Foundation. Since meetings were abruptly cancelled due to the CoronaVirus impact, your opportunity to share information with your Day-10 at the weekly meetings has ceased as well. The Board has committed to continue member communication through the weekly SMILE, emails, personal contacts and social media posts. We are currently considering virtual meetings as an option to stay in touch. Won't you please consider supporting our Club's projects with a virtual Day-10 to the Dayton Rotary Foundation? At the same time, you can share your stories, your celebrations, your announcements, and your birthdays or anniversaries. Just contact me (jean@vancongc.com) or Laura (laura@daytonrotary.com) with your message and your Day-10 amount. It will be included in the next SMILE. I'll start the ball by pledging a Day-\$100 in honor of all the medical professionals working tirelessly to tackle this virus and care for those in need.

CANCELLATIONS. It seems at this point that if you can think of an event scheduled in the next 5 weeks it's been cancelled. That goes for Rotary as well. Cancellations include Rotary International Conference in Hawaii, Rotary District 6670 Conference in Wilmington, District 4-Way Test Speech Contest, RYLA, and, of course, our weekly meetings at Sinclair thru the end of April. The current plan is to restart weekly meetings at Sinclair on May 4. Some of these events are being rescheduled, but only time will tell. More to come!

IN CLOSING, I ask that you all take care, practice social distancing, and stay in touch. I would love to hear from you – and I'm sure others would love to hear from you as well. Reach Out!!

Jean Maychack, President 2019-2020
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Rotary Calendar



March 23—April 27 - NO MEETINGS

- May 4 Tom Morrow, The History of Dayton Transportation
- May 11 Irene Dickey, UD, Marketing Ethics in the Age of Social Media
- May 18 Marti Taylor, OneFifteen
- May 25 **NO MEETING—MEMORIAL DAY**
- June 1 Vince Lewis, University of Dayton
- June 6-10 **Rotary International Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii—CANCELLED**
- June 8 Tim Gallagher, Sports Autographs and Memorabilia
- June 15 Buddy LaChance, onMain, Redeveloping the Former Fairgrounds into Dayton's "Imagination District"
- June 24 **Rotary Presidential Gala at The Dayton Club**
- June 29 Changing of the Guard

Greetings from Honorary Rotarian Bill Anderson

Rotarian Jim Deuser recently spoke to Honorary Rotarian Bill Anderson recently for about half an hour. He's going to be 101 years young on 29 March!

Jim reported that Bill specifically asked him to send his best wishes to everyone in Dayton Rotary. He was in good spirits and sounded good but is definitely suffering with his eyesight (macular degeneration)

The Rotary Foundation continues to receive donations from our Club members. It is also easy to donate through your MyRotary.org account. Please remember that any amount you give is meaningful. The Annual Fund Share will allow funds to come back to District 6670 in three years to fund more local community projects like those you will read about on page 3 and 4.



The Rotary Foundation
Of Rotary International

Rotary International Theme 2019-2020



Sigrid Solomon
District Governor 6670
Rotary Club of Wilmington AM

The Mission of Rotary International

To support its member clubs in fulfilling the Object of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and providing a system of international administration.

The Mission of Dayton Rotary

The Rotary Club of Dayton is a fellowship of diverse business and professional leaders who commit their time and talent to staying informed and serving the club, the community and the world.

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March 30



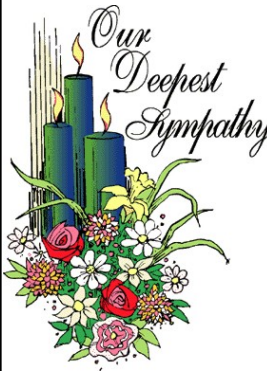
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Our Sympathy

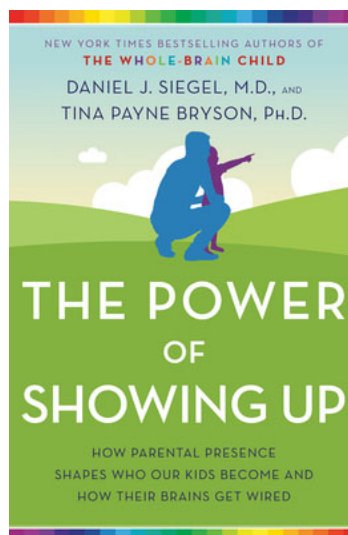


Our sympathy to Rotarian Don Prizler on the passing of his wife, Ellene on Saturday March 21st. Please keep Don and his family in your thoughts and prayers. If you would like to send Don a note or card of sympathy you may do so to his home address.

Don Prizler
249 Greenmount Boulevard
Dayton, Ohio 45419

Rotary Book Club

The next book is: ***The Power of Showing Up: How Parental Presence Shapes Who Our Kids Become and How Their Brains Get Wired*** by Daniel J. Siegel & Tina Payne Bryson.



For information purposes, we discussed a book one of our members is reading called *The Boy Crisis* by Warren Farrell & John Gray. We may decide to read this book in the future.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 12, 2020, upstairs at Flyboys Deli, 2515 Far Hills Avenue, Oakwood, Ohio 45419, 937 723-6135, www.flyboysdeli.com, 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

Any questions please contact Susan Hayes at sm.hayes@me.com or 937-750-7400



Safety Locator Signs for the Great Miami River Bike Trail

This project will improve signage and make the Riverway, particularly the bike trail, feel more inviting, comfortable, and safe. For many years, the Dayton area has invested in the development and promotion of bike trails to help our communities stay active and healthy. The Great Miami Riverway, a coalition of cities, counties, and park districts, is working with first responders and bike trail users to design and install a unified, regional safety locator sign program.

The emergency locator signs will be installed on existing bike trail signs to help first responders locate people who call 911 for assistance more quickly. The signs are 3" by 12" vinyl stickers that will wrap on the current bike trail sign posts. Currently, no emergency locators are installed on the Great Miami River Recreation trail, making it difficult for first responders to locate recreation users that need assistance. Trail users find it difficult to know exactly where they are on a trail because there are few location signs and jurisdictional boundaries are not marked. Emergency access and safety was identified as a top priority by the Great Miami Riverway stakeholders.

In order to ensure trail users know how to use the locator signs to receive emergency responder assistance, an outreach and education campaign will be conducted. Rotarians can get involved with this project by helping educate trail users at events like "Bike to Work Day", and "Trails Opening Day". Rotarians can also get involved by helping survey trail users at these events and ask questions about safety conditions, known concerns, and perceived threats. The information gathered will help the Great Miami Riverway plan future safety projects.

The Rotary Wheel and club name will be displayed on promotion materials about the emergency locator sign program. The support of Dayton Rotary will be mentioned in media releases about the program.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Sarah Hippensteel Hall
shippensteel@mcldwater.org



Youth Water Safety Program

During the remaining months of the 2019-2020 Rotary calendar year, the Youth Water Safety Program is partnering with the City of Dayton and the Miami Conservancy District to provide water safety educational materials.

At the 2017 Rotary International convention in Atlanta, past Club President Sue Taylor and Kelly Lehman became interested in bringing a water safety program being used by Rotary Clubs nationwide, "Josh the Otter," to our own community after a series of local drownings.

After a small trial run in 2018 & 2019, our Club, with the help of a matching grant from the District Grants Committee, was able to purchase 1,000 books, coloring books and stickers for pre-K through 5th grade students.

This year, the outreach with the City of Dayton recreational center pools will benefit young people in Dayton primarily. We had planned to conduct a teacher's workshop and distribute materials at The UD Children's Water Festival unfortunately the event has been cancelled for this year. However we will look for other ways to get the educational materials into the hands of our community.

Rotarian Volunteers are needed to attend one (or more) of several events to help distribute the books to students. Anyone interested, please email kellymarielehman@gmail.com or call (937)760-4100 (email is preferable). She will create a list of volunteers and give to Dana Prazinsky from the City of Dayton and she will contact each volunteer with specific details regarding the two-hour and four-hour shifts available.

Underwater Easter Egg Hunt at Greater Dayton Rec Center Wednesday **April 15th at 6pm**; expecting 50 participants (Event may be cancelled due to current public health)

World's Largest Swim Lesson will take place **Thursday June 18th 11:30am to 12:30pm**. Mostly Day Camp participants ages 3-12; approximately 100 participants.

Block Parties – communities block parties featuring bounce houses and other inflatables for kids, variety of informational booths and tables (Fire Department, local hospitals, etc.), and food on the grill. Weather permitting, up to 200 participants. One of which will be:

-Lohrey Saturday **June 20th 12pm-4pm**

The cost of 1,000 educational packets was \$3,950, half of which was provided by a District Matching Grant. From our own generous membership, we are requesting help making up the difference. While you are welcome to make a donation specifically directed to the Youth Water Safety Program, the first Monday in April and May, **undesignated Day 10's** will be directed there as well.



The goal of the Josh the Otter Water Safety Program is to educate children with a fun and simple message:

TO STAY AWAY FROM WATER UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

"Josh the Baby Otter" was created to help children comprehend and remember this important message. Ultimately, we want to create a water safety behavior for all children that will be passed on from generation to generation.