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**THIS WEEK AT ROTARY . . . Monday, April 6, 2020**

# Let Me Tell You A Story...

## Speaker: Fellow Rotarian Lisa Holmes

Lisa is a story teller who believes in the power of sharing stories that connect people. Tune in to our Zoom Meeting and she will be sharing a story with us.

You will be encouraged to share your own stories if you want!



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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

# A Message From Your Club President

Hello Rotarians,

It is my hope that this note finds all of you healthy and safe. Thanks to everyone for continuing to keep our Rotary Club active and vibrant through these uncertain times.

Certainly, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed all our lives over the past month, and in his briefing yesterday Governor DeWine has extended the stay-at-home order another 30 days until May 1. This will obviously have a major impact on our lives and our businesses. But how can the inconvenience be measured if these actions save lives? Please stay home when possible and continue to exercise the social distancing protocols when out in public.

The Board has elected to implement a first-ever (to my knowledge anyway) virtual meeting of the Rotary Club of Dayton at noon Monday, April 6. You should have received by now your Zoom invitation to join the meeting. This will be our dry run so your patience is requested. By no means am I an expert!! To date, I've attended exactly three Zoom meetings. But, thanks to Google, I will offer a few tips for those of you able to attend:

Plan to log-on 15 minutes early to get situated and fellowship. If you are a regular Zoom user, maybe you can log on before noon to help those who require assistance adjusting audio, video, etc.

- Try to meet in a quiet, indoor location
- Provide a plain background when meeting
- Adjust your lighting so that you don't sit directly in front or beside a bright light source
- Bandwidth can be a problem. If you are wireless, try to remain close to the wireless router. When you have the option, choose wired for video conferencing.

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## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Please continue to keep Rotarian and Past Club President Dave Neer in your thoughts and prayers as he continues to rehab from a fall resulting in broken ribs and hospital stay. He cannot have visitors at this time however a card would be appropriate and appreciated.

**Please send to:**

**Dave Neer**  
**C/O Oak Creek Nursing & Rehab**  
**& Assisted Living**  
**2316 Springmill Road**  
**Kettering, Ohio 45440**



**IF YOU KNOW OF OTHER ROTARIANS WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED OF HELP PLEASE LET LAURA KNOW EITHER BY PHONE OR BY EMAIL. 937-228-3331**

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**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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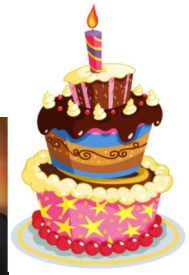
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Glenn Costie	Director (2020)
Diane Farrell	Director (2021)
Becky Benná	Director (2021)
Walt Hibner	Director (2021)
Laura E. Erbaugh	Executive Director

**Birthday Wishes**



Ron Slanker  
937-298-2459  
April 3



David Neer  
937-434-3644  
April 7



Anne Pfeiffer  
937-220-6860  
April 7



John Neff  
937-609-6677  
April 8



Penny Wolff  
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April 9



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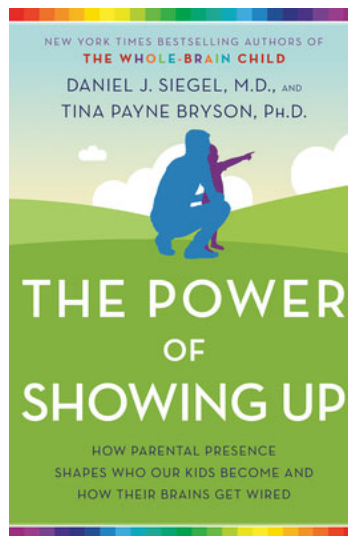
Bill Martin  
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April 12



Tracey Tomme  
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**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](http://www.flyboysdeli.com), 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

Any questions please contact Susan Hayes at [sm.hayes@me.com](mailto:sm.hayes@me.com) or 937-750-7400

## Day-10+ Contribution Pledges

Nick Warrington has pledged a Day-100 to share:

"That last time we met in-person you were wowed by the amazing talents of Wright State's Musical Theater Students performing a few numbers from MAMMA MIA! Unfortunately due to everything happening in our world, both MAMMA MIA! & ArtsGala have been canceled.

It is my understanding that MAMMA MIA! Will debut this fall (maybe a Rotary outing?) and we were forced to pivot ArtsGala to an **ArtsUNgala**. Take a moment (because you have plenty of time on your hands) to watch our ArtsUNgala video and learn more about the campaign here: <https://www.givecampus.com/qxua4m> "

## Foundation Contributions in the Bank

Nora Vondrell  
Charlie Simms  
Connie Mahle  
Susie Weaver

John Patterson  
Kelly Lehman  
Frank Scott

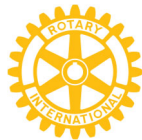


**Thank You!**

## Save the Date



## *Rotary Presidential Gala*



**Wednesday June 24th**  
**at**  
**The Dayton Club**

*More Details Soon.*

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- Zoom has a "Mute Microphone" option that cuts down on feedback from the audience. When there is a lot of back-and-forth discussion you will turn this off, but you should mute yourself when listening to a presenter.
- You are able to send a question or statement to everyone or privately to a participant
- Always remember that everyone can see you. Avoid eating or engaging in other distracting activities while in a Zoom meeting.
- Zoom is easy to use, but you might want to practice with friends or internal employees if you haven't already. It's easy to sign up for a free account.

### Our Monday meeting will be simple:

Call to order at noon

Bill Nance will lead us in invocation, 4 Way Test and News

Kim Bramlage will announce birthdays and invite members to pledge Day-10's

Our program, Dayton Rotarian Lisa Holmes, will share a story to help brighten our day and promote the benefits of staying connected

The "floor" will be open for members to share or ask questions.

Adjourn no later than 1:00

I look forward to meeting with all who can attend on Monday. Until then, be safe.

Jean Maychack, President 2019-2020

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## Surendra and Sushila Singhvi Family Foundation: Man's Charitable Journey Is Rooted in Faith and Family

*(reprinted from the Dayton Foundation Spring Newsletter)*

Originally from Jaipur, India, Dr. Surendra Singhvi came to the United States in 1962 with only eight dollars in his pocket. Four years prior to his arrival, he received a certificate in homeopathy, a pseudoscientific system of alternative medicine. He worked in a free clinic after graduation to treat patients naturally, an experience that fueled his desire to give back. "I encouraged people to come to the clinic. People would come, get great medical service, get well and go home," said Surendra, former vice president of financial management at Edison Brothers Stores, Inc. "It was a great experience and a great feeling. I made a lot of friends during my time there." Surendra, a faithful man, started his journey of giving back in India and has been devoted to this philosophy since.

He serves the community as a member of the Dayton Rotary Club and a Paul Harris Fellow of the Rotary International Foundation. He credits these ideals to his religion, Jainism, which encourages followers to give to those who may not be as fortunate. "Jainism emphasizes not to collect things or money for oneself, but to donate to those who are in need," he said. "This has inspired me to share my blessings with others." Once in the U.S., Surendra worked as a graduate assistant while earning his MBA at Atlanta University, now known as Clark Atlanta University. He earned the Fulbright Scholarship to attend Columbia University, where he earned his PhD. He taught at several universities and later worked at Armco Steel Company. While employed at Armco, Surendra felt inspired to give back to the communities that gave him his new beginnings. He established several endowment funds through local universities because he wanted to provide scholarships to deserving individuals.

After moving to Dayton, Surendra learned about The Dayton Foundation through this newsletter. He and his wife, Sushila, were inspired by friends, who also are Foundation donors, to establish the Surendra and Sushila Singhvi Family Foundation in 2019. "I feel I have achieved a lot in the U.S., so now it is my turn to give back," he said. "There is no better charitable giving institution than The Dayton Foundation." Although the fund is fairly new, Surendra and Sushila hope to help others achieve an education, as well as benefit humanity at large.

They've passed this mindset onto their children and grandchildren. Their son and daughter-in-law work tirelessly to raise money for various causes, and their daughter has established her own foundation in Chicago that provides financial aid to immigrant youth. Their granddaughter also is following in the family tradition and currently is doing social work in Africa. "My religion encourages followers to share wealth with others since it is not going with you when you leave this world. I hope to do this along with the rest of my family," Surendra said. "If we are to be remembered for anything at all, it is that we are a compassionate and caring family who gets joy and peace from helping the communities in which we live. Whether in India or America, we want to give back for mankind."

