



THIS WEEK AT ROTARY . . . Monday, September 14, 2020

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Library for Africa

Speakers: Veleta Jenkins and Darius Ricks

Today's program is sponsored by the Peace Committee. Darius Ricks is a native of Liberia. He was a refugee student in the Job Corps Center in Dayton, where Veleta Jenkins was a teacher. In an effort to



tidy up the school library, Veleta asked Darius to discard some books. He in turn asked if rather than discard them, he could instead send them to Liberia. It turns out Liberia had nary a library, and he felt these books could find a home in his native country. And the idea of Library for Africa was born. Today's program will tell the incredible story of this move to establish Liberia's first library. We'll learn about the progress that has been made in establishing this library, the impact of COVID-19 and moderate change in focus as a result (without losing sight of its' primary mission) and along the way learn of the close relationship the United States has had with Liberia since the antebellum days (did you realize the capital city of Liberia is named after an American president?). **Chair of the Day: Leronda Jackson**

Rotary Calendar



September 7 NO MEETING—LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

September 14 Veleta Jenkins & Darius Ricks, co-founders of Library for Africa

September 21 Gen. John Allen, USMC, Ret., President &

CEO, Brookings Institution in Washington, DC

September 24 Board of Directors Meeting 12 Noon

September 28 Mayor Nan Whaley October 5 Carolyn Jones

Coalition

October 22 Board of Directors Meeting 12 Noon
October 28 Foundation Trustee Meeting 4:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE WE WILL CONTINUE TO HOLD ZOOM VIRITUAL MEETINGS EACH MONDAY AT 12 NOON.

This Happened Last Monday

The meeting was called to order shortly after 12 noon by President Brian Martin. Bill Nance led an invocation focused on a "time for every season". Bill then led us in the 4-Way Test and the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the news of the day. Secretary Kim Bramlage acknowledged the guests in attendance: Maureen Patterson, Mary Bane, Violet & John Nauseef, Amy Pulles, Jean Masthay, General Lester Lyles, Phil Greenberg, Matt Jessup, Ron Whitehead, General Tom Owens, Scott Sullivan and Johanna Hartley. She then recognized this week's birthdayites Dennis Helmig, Glenn Costie and Greg Birkemeyer. Kim shared one of Greg's favorite childhood memories which was a trip to Washington DC and getting to enter the White House through the kitchen door. Kim then called on Rotarians to share Day-10s. Bill Nance gave a Day-25 for riding for the Tour de Gem over the weekend his team completed 100 miles. Steve Naas gave a Day-25 for the Tour de Gem as well riding 71 miles with Gerry Chadwick, Steve Conklin and Walt Hibner. Glenn Costie gave a Day-100 for his birthday and for he and his wife recovery from COVID. Greg Birkemeyer gave a Day-60 for his birthday and to ask all Rotarians to keep our Rotarian friends in Lake Charles LA suffering from the results of the recent hurricane.

Brian Martin called on John Lyman to present a Dayton Rotary Foundation Check for \$3000 Prevent Blindness Ohio for their Vision Care Outreach (VCO) Program provides access to vision screenings, vision education and our voluntary system of comprehensive, professional eye exams, follow-up care, and eyewear to medically underserved children and their families living at 200% of the federal poverty level or worse. Vision screenings provide an avenue for early detection in residents who do not have regular eye exams and case-find medically underserved residents in need of vision care. The ultimate goal of the VCO Program is to reduce the incidence of unnecessary vision loss and impairment.

Jeff Hoagland gave a brief bio of J.P. Nauseef, President & CEO of JobsOhio. Jeff then called on special guests John and Violet Nauseef (JP's parents) who continued to introduce him and told of his childhood and growing up. JP's dad John is a Rotarian in Tullahoma, Tennessee.

JobsOhio is Ohio's privatized economic development organization it was spun out of the State Department of Development in 2011 to move it outside of government. The vision is for Ohio to be recognized as the best place to live, work, invest and live Your American Dream with a mission of Economic Development.Continued on page 3

Rotary International Theme 2020-2021



Greg Birkemeyer District Governor 6670 Rotary Club of Dayton

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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Birthday Wishes



Amanda Burks 937-239-9179 September 9



lan Butt 937-426-1313 September 9



Bill Duncan 937-223-7272 September 9



Roger Vanderhorst 937-222-2290 September 9



Donna Childs 937-238-3559 September 14



Debbie Lieberman 937-836-6330 September 15



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Foundation Contributions in the Bank

Mike Pabst Cathy Ponitz Brian Martin Nick Warrington Greg Birkemeyer Elmer Martin Darlene Langhout Iris Juergens Jack Lohbeck Kelly Lehman Kim Bramlage





This Happened Last Monday Continued

Jobs Ohio's values are to Act with Integrity, Value People and Make a Difference. In 2013 JobsOhio acquired the Liquor Enterprise and the profits help fund JobsOhio operation they do not receive any tax dollars for operations. With 100 people in Columbus, 6 regional partners throughout Ohio and 10 International Markets. The regional partner here in the Dayton area is the Dayton Development Coalition. JobsOhio is governed by a 9 person board one of which is General Lester Lyles and the boared was appointed by the Ohio Governor. Since 2011 they have competed 2500 projects with a 56.6 Billion capital investment, 9.3 Billion in new payroll and nearly 200,000 new jobs. Because of their privatized structure it allows for JobsOhio to move discreetly with agility and speed that is sometimes needed to gain a deal. They also have stable funding source that allows them to move quicker and not have to go through appropriations and they also have the advantage of a statewide network.

J.P. then moved into talking about JobsOhio's response to COVID. On March 17th they held a virtual board meeting and made the decision to designate \$250 million into new economic development programs which impacted more than 300,000 potential jobs and 15,000 businesses. They also used funds to procure life saving PPE for healthcare workers. Local company CROCS wanted to donate footwear for healthcare workers—they donate 7000 pairs and JobsOhio matched their donation and local company Heidelberg helped to distribute the footwear. They made arrangements to partner with Battelle on sanitizing PPE.

The unemployment rate is improving in the state, the U.S Rate is 10.2 % and here in Ohio the rate is 8.9%. Ohio seems to be emerging positively compared to other states. This is a real opportunity to leverage positive global awareness of Ohio. Ohio's value proposition has never been more evident: National focus on reshoring secure supply chains aligns with Ohio's diverse industry, workforce and location.

Ohio is the best state for military missions, members, families and veterans with 93,000 jobs and more than 30 installations its part of Ohio's Heritage. Ohio has a strong track record with the Military.



Why a Military & Federal Sector?

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What started here as Hometown Heroes with the donation of Dragons Tickets to military families has grown to 73,000 tickets donated for local sporting events, theater performances, concerts and museums since 2004.

Working together with the DDC and JobsOhio the plan is to expand the program to Ohio's other major cities in 2021.

Job's Ohio has an unequaled team to lead and advise a statewide effort to take the latent and experience and map lessons learned to creating success statewide.

After a short Q&A session President Brian Martin adjourned the meeting reminding the group that there would be no meeting next week due to the Labor Day Holiday.



Membership Anniversaries September

1 year Ed Tomme

Lisa Holmes Rusty Clifford

2 years Diane Ewing

Dick Hattershire Darlene Langhout

Lisa Wagner

3 years Anne Pfeiffer
5 years Neal Ratliff
6 years lan Butt
8 years Rachel Butt
10 years Gerry Chadwick

Heather Martin

11 years Bob Hoopes 17 years Ken Herr 27 years Jack Lohbeck 32 years Kim Haverstick

35 years DeNeal Feldman 33 years Ed Smith

40 years Frank Gilland





2019-2020 Annual Club Report

You should have received an email this week containing the Annual Report for the Club's 2019-2020 Rotary year. If you did not receive it you may access it from the Rotary website at the following link:

https://

clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/0000004098/en-ca/files/homepage/dayton-rotary-annual-report-2019-2020/Dayton-Rotary-Annual-Report-2019-2020-Rev-2-08-26-20.pdf

Dayton Rotary Virtual Breakfast Friday September 4th @ 8AM

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85158760054?pwd=Vm9BSTUwZUdneWx3aDMxcWh3eGtuUT09

Meeting ID: 851 5876 0054

Passcode: 125231

Breakfast is BYOB - Bring Your Own Breakfast/Coffee

It's a Great Time to catch up with fellow Rotarians

