

Don't Miss This Program!



Join us Tuesday, June 11 at 7:30am, either in person at Scioto Country Club or on Zoom, for an engaging presentation by Brad DeHays of Connect Real Estate. He will discuss the innovative building methods his firm employs to address residential construction challenges. DeHays' brilliant solutions promise to revolutionize our perspective on the housing shortage.

Changing of the Guard

You and a guest are invited to the Installation of Officers and the Board of Directors on June 25 from 5-7pm at the Columbus Brewing Company Beer Hall.

Please see details in the invitation below, and RSVP to emechapman@gmail.com by June 18.



Congratulations to the Pivot Point Scholarship Recipients



Last week, on June 4, we recognized the recipients of our Pivot Point Scholars - with the help of Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education Mike

Speakers

June 11, 2024

Brad DeHayes, Connect Real Estate Urban Mixed use Development

and Modular Construction

June 18, 2024

Molly Kreuzman

Ohio Goes to the Movies, A Signature Event of America 250 Ohio

June 20, 2024 Third Thursday Food, Fun & Fellowship

June 25, 2024

<u>Installation of Club Leaders</u>



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The mission of Columbus Rotary in providing our Pivot Point Scholarships is to support positive and enduring change in the

lives of lifelong learners. The Pivot Point Scholarships are intended to support learners who are on a journey to reinvent their lives or make a career change.

Not every student knows their path to a job and a career when they graduate from high school. For some graduates, life gets in the way with challenges that cause them to "pause†their education and/or change direction to follow a path to a new career. Most post-secondary scholarship programs do not consider the obstacles these non-traditional students face. Balancing childcare and multiple jobs to pay for their education and providing for their family is a struggle. That's how the Columbus Rotary Pivot Point Scholarships can make a difference in the lives of these students and their families.

CONGRATULATIONS 2024 PIVOT POINT SCHOLARS

Kenneth Agyemand

Mount Carmel College of Nursing J. Robinson McCormick Family

Shae Wilkinson

Chamberlain University
Osteopathic Heritage Foundation - Richard L. Sims

Melisa Ryan

Mount Carmel College of Nursing John Mariotti Family

Jacki Walsh

Chamberlain University
In honor of Bryan R. Noton

Sallu Kiawo

Mount Carmel College of Nursing J. Robinson McCormick Family

Aliyah Hamilton

Chamberlain University Nadine and Keith Pierce

Maura Ramos Yanez

Mount Carmel College of Nursing Columbus Rotary Club

A special thanks goes to the **Columbus Rotary Scholarship Committee** for its dedication and commitment to helping students in our community succeed. Committee members are Bob Bowers, John Easton, Dan Wander, Luke McCormick, JoAnne Schorsten, Keith Pierce, Galen Graham (chair), Jack Graf, Ron Harris, Roger Nourse, Mike Kehoe, Hugo Trux, Judy Kimchi-Woods, Sandy Knoesel, John Mariotti, Nanci McCorkle, Violet Meek, Steve Sundre, Jim Duzan, Jim Wojta, Christian Tamte, Todd Ambrosia and Preeti Saboo.

Letter from the President

Dear Rotary Family,

As I reflect on this past year as your president, I am filled with a deep sense of gratitude and pride. Our journey together has been one of significant achievements, meaningful service, and profound community impact. It has been an honor to lead such a dedicated and compassionate group of individuals.

Accomplishments and Highlights:

 Community Projects: We successfully executed multiple community service projects, which brought together over 100 volunteers. Our projects included Colerain Christmas Party, Dictionaries for all third graders in the CCS, Windsor Stem Academy School Supplies and Winter Festival, Ronald McDonald House, Linden Dream Community Picnic, Service Above Self projects with Downtown Columbus High School, Fort Hayes, Celebration of Excellence Career Path Awards, Young Heroes and Pivot Point Scholarships benefited over 2,000 community members.

- **Fundraising Efforts:** Through our collective efforts, we raised \$103,900 which will go a long way in supporting our local and international causes in 2024-2025.
- **Membership Growth:** This year, we welcomed 14 new members into our Rotary family. Their fresh perspectives and enthusiasm have invigorated our club and expanded our reach.
- Global Initiatives: Our participation in international projects, such as, CG Womenâ∈™s
 Empowerment in Ethiopia, Engineers Without Borders in Guatemala, Peace Builders in St.
 James, Rafiki Orphanage in Kenya, Tanzania Water Project in Marwa, and our Youth Exchange
 Program sponsoring a student from Africa, reinforced our global commitment to service above
 self. We are proud to have made a difference beyond our local community.
- Enhancing Communication and Organization: We are making strides in improving our communication and organization. We've transitioned to using DACdb for our member database, offering tools to streamline communication. Our new website went live on February 1, providing a central hub for all club-related information. Additionally, adding a fresh format to our newsletter utilizing the tools of DACdb.

Social Fellowship Events:

- **Third Thursdays:** Our monthly Third Thursdays have become a cornerstone of our fellowship, providing us with a relaxed setting to bond, share ideas, and strengthen our Rotary family. These gatherings have not only deepened our connections but also sparked new initiatives and collaborations.
- Wine Down Wednesdays: Wine Down Wednesdays have been a delightful addition to our
 calendar, offering a midweek respite where we can unwind and enjoy each other's company.
 These evenings of camaraderie and conversation have been instrumental in building a stronger,
 more united club.

Gratitude and Farewell:

As my term comes to an end, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you. Your unwavering support, dedication, and passion have been the driving force behind our successes. I am especially grateful to our board members and committee chairs for their tireless efforts and invaluable contributions.

Looking ahead, I am confident that our incoming president, Emily Chapman, will lead us to even greater heights. Let us continue to work together, with the same spirit of camaraderie and service, to make a lasting impact on our community and the world.

Thank you for an unforgettable year. It has been a privilege to serve as your president.

Yours in Rotary,

Manana Fribley, MBA, CTA 2023-2024 CRC Club President

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