

Rotary

Club of Westerville Sunrise



Happening This Week

Club Meeting

Westerville Sunrise
Meets at The Old Bag of Nails Pub
24 N State St Fl 3
Westerville, OH 43081-2119
Time:
Wednesday at 07:15 AM

Speakers

September 18, 2024
[Angie Hamberg and Nicole Marshall](#)
Westerville City Schools

September 25, 2024
[Gary Baker](#)
District Governor Visit

Birthdays

Troy Cochran
September 17th
John L. Comerford
September 26th
Linda Lou Bokros
September 28th
Mark A. Massen
September 28th
Timothy Gose
October 4th
Skyler M Juhnke
October 6th
Adam Price
October 13th
Dan Hare
October 13th

Years of Service



September 18, 2024

Program: Westerville City Schools
Speakers: Angie Hamberg and Nicole Marshall

Greeter: Skyler Juhnke
Invocation/Pledge: Ben Jay

Call to Action: Bring letters for veterans (Ron and Chip) for the October Honor Flight

Save the Date! Upcoming Social and Service Events



September 17: Pizza, Beer & Rotary Open House for potential Impact members
September 19: WSR Board Meeting
September 23: Star House Family Dinner
September 25: District Governor visit during club meeting
October 10: Honor Flight
October 19: District 6690 Fall Assembly
October 24: Pints for Polio Social with Noon club
November 2: District Awards Celebration
April 25-27: District Conference
April 25: District Foundation Gala
June 23-27: RI Convention, Calgary

Welcome Our Newest Member

Tim Bowers
 08-18-1999
 26 Years
 Jason A. Buehner
 08-24-2011
 14 Years
 Thomas F. Schmitt
 08-26-2015
 10 Years
 Anthony Mujic
 08-30-2017
 8 Years
 Dan Hare
 08-28-2019
 6 Years
 Jackie Washburn
 08-16-2023
 2 Years
 Jeff Washburn
 08-16-2023
 2 Years
 Skyler M Juhnke
 08-14-2024
 1 Year
 Ben Jay
 08-14-2024
 1 Year

By Tiffany McGinnis

Congratulations to our new recently inducted member, Beth Ware! Please do your best to get to know her!



Thank You, Cookie Bakers!

By James T. Caldwell

On behalf of Chuck Durant and Jim Caldwell, thank you to all the bakers out there who contributed 103 dozen (over 1,200) cookies for our upcoming Kairos weekend.

The residents who receive the cookies are always amazed that people on the outside would bake for them. These are guys who, in some cases, have no contact with their families. The cookies really provide hope to these guys and open their eyes and ears to the message of the weekend. Your generosity has eternal rewards!



Cookies being trucked into the prison.



Cookie counting and inspection.

Two Sunrise Rotarians Take Honor Flight

By Julie Ann Colley



On Thursday, October 10, 2024, Honor Flight Columbus' Mission 136 will send its 10,000th veteran to Washington, D.C. to visit the nation's memorials built to commemorate their service and sacrifice. Among the veteran group will be our own Sunrise Rotarians and Vietnam veterans, Ron Pusateri and Chip Bruchac.

Our veterans did not always receive a warm welcome when they came home from war. But we can give them that experience now! Please join us at John Glenn International to welcome Ron, Chip and the other veterans home! Plan to arrive between 8:30 and 8:45 pm on October 10. The flight is scheduled to land at 9:10 pm.



In addition, you can also send Ron and Chip a letter for the traditional mail call. You can either bring them to a Rotary meeting on or before Wednesday, September 25 and give them to Diane Conley -- or you can mail them directly to the Honor Flight Columbus office at:

Honor Flight Columbus
PO Box 20133
Columbus, OH 43220
Name of Veteran - Mission 136

Impact Membership

By Tiffany McGinnis



Rotary club leaders are exploring a new membership tier* (called *Impact*) for people who want to be part of Rotary but can't consistently attend weekly meetings. Intent: *Get in. Serve. Go home.*

We are hosting open-house events to ask community members how they would like this membership to be structured. Open house events are intended for prospective members and the purpose is to gather information.

- Our first open house was this past Wednesday and potential members shared interest in connections and service.
- *Next open house:* Tuesday, September 17th at Blair IT from 6-8pm

*Our Club needs to vote on the Impact membership tier before we move forward, so this proposed membership option is currently pending. Contact our Club President if you have questions via email at tiffany.t.mcginnis@gmail.com.

Buckeyes and Volunteers Needed for Buckeye Bash

By Albert Bruchac

We will be hosting our Annual Buckeye Bash for low-income seniors on October 3 from 11 am to 2 pm at Westerville Area Resource Ministry.



During the event, we will serve lunch and participants will make their own Buckeye necklaces with help from volunteers. They will also receive Buckeye souvenirs.

We need many buckeyes for the event, help with drilling holes in buckeyes, and volunteers to help with the event on October 3.

If you have buckeyes to donate or can help with the event, please contact Chip Bruchac at chipfitohio@gmail.com.



Join the Make a Difference Committee

By Char Stille

**Make a Difference
GET INVOLVED**



The Make a Difference committee is a program for new members that allows them to propose non-profit agencies the club can support with a monetary donation and community service activities. Participation in this committee also gives new members an opportunity to socialize with and get to know other newer members of our club.

Committee meetings will be held on October 9 and November 13 at 6 pm to review nominations. The committee will vote on the nominations/ select winners on December 11 at 6 pm. Meetings will take place at Char Stille's house.

If you are interested in participating in this committee, please contact Char at Char.Stille@holderbaums.com.

Star House Monthly Dinner

By Chris Herbert



Make a difference for homeless youth at Star House by helping prepare or serving a family meal.

Westerville Sunrise Rotary, in partnership with our friends in the noon club, hosts a Family Dinner once a month on Mondays. Our remaining Mondays in 2024 will be:

- September 23
- October 28
- November 18
- December 16

Serving Meals

If you are interested in serving meals or assisting with other activities at Star House, you must be [registered](#) as a volunteer with Star House, provide emergency contact information, have a background check completed and complete a trauma training. When completing the registration form, indicate you are with the Westerville Rotary Club in the comment section.

There is a trauma training session scheduled specifically for our club and noon club members on September 17th at 7 pm at Chris Herbert's office - 285 N State St, Ste 202, Westerville, OH 43081. RSVP to Chris: cherbert@pendulum-pr.com

Preparing Meals

Anyone can help prepare a meal. You do not need to attend the dinner, and there are often items needed that do not require cooking. Items can be brought to Star House, or dropped off at a location in Westerville prior to the dinner.

Serving Meals

Arrival time for meal set-up at Star House is 5:30 pm, with the meal served at 6 pm. Clean up after the meal should be completed by around 7:30 pm. Volunteers will enter through the front door and sign in prior to serving.

Sign Up to Help

If you are able to provide items for this month's dinner and/or help serve the meal, please use the sign-up link below:

[September 23.](#)

2025 Rotary International Convention

By Michael Herron



The Rotary International (RI) Convention is coming to Calgary, Canada from June 21-25, 2025. There is a lot of interest from our club members and we are creating a club group list so we can all keep in touch during the event as well as possibly create a post-convention trip. If you have already registered (or are interested in attending), please email Mike Herron at mdherron68@gmail.com with your name, how many are traveling, hotel (if already booked), mobile phone and email address. For more information (or to register for the RI Convention), please visit this website: <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>.

WARM Food Pantry Volunteers - Save the Dates!

By Mary T. Chandler



Rotary volunteers strengthen our community in many ways. One Saturday per quarter we sort and box food at the WARM warehouse at 150 Heatherdown Drive from 10 am to noon. We still have one scheduled Saturday in 2024:

- November 9

We invite you to join in on the fellowship and fun. Feel free to invite your family, friends, and prospective Rotarians to join us too.

Please sign up using the [Sign Up Genius link](#).

For more information, please contact Mary Chandler at (614) 523-0437.

Club Leaders



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