

## Newark Rotary Committees 2024-2025

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Fundraising	Dustin Neely	Cell	740-403-7336		
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Student Visits	Barb Quackenbush	Home	740-334-9107	Office	740-670-7041

ALWAYS IN OUR MEMORY 2015-16 PRESIDENT ERIN KENNEDY (1960-2015)

### DISTRICT GOVERNORS FROM NEWARK ROTARY

•FRANK L BEGGS: 1927-28 •ROBERT C. BATTAT: 1970-71 •DONN E. ALSPACH: 1988-89  
 •DARREL JONES: 1957-58 •THEODORE D. GRILEY: 1976-77 •ROBERT H. MCGAUGHY: 2003-2004  
 GARY BAKER: 2024-25

### DIRECTOR, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

THEODORE D. GRILEY: 1990-1992

### TRUSTEE, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

THEODORE D. GRILEY: 2001-2005

# ROTOGRAM

2024-2025

Rotary



## WEEK OF MARCH 09, 2025

All Meetings At Noon Tuesday

### THIS WEEK'S MEETING

## Residential Development in Licking County



### Presented by Amy Albery, CEO of Wallick Communities

This week's Rotary Meeting will feature Amy Albery, CEO of Wallick Communities. A servant leader, Amy fosters a people-first culture that empowers associates to provide exceptional service to residents. She will discuss housing needs in the county and region, along with details on Wallick's latest project in Heath, Ohio.

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Mar. 18 - Mark Kwamme - Business Entrepreneur and Venture Capitalist

Mar. 25 - Club Member Steve Layman - Commercial Development in Licking County

### A ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CLUB

[newarkohiorotary.org](http://newarkohiorotary.org)

[District6690.org](http://District6690.org)

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## LAST WEEK'S MEETING NOTES

**President Janice LoRaso** rang the bell. **Tom Slater** and **Peter Larson** started us singing R-O-T-A-R-Y. **Eschol Curl** led us in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. **Peter Larson** and **Tom Slater** then led us in the singing of "When We Meet at Rotary."

Guests: **President-Elect Brendan Underwood** introduced today's guests. **Chuck Moore's** guest was Jay Snyder. **John Paul Munhall's** guest was Cathy Stofac. **Kelly Jones's** guest was Maryann Crist. **Janice LoRaso's** guest was Stephanie Crockatt. Zach Pipoly was a visiting Rotarian from Strongsville.

Student Guests: **Heather Powell** introduced Northridge HS students Ethan and Tara. **Nate Adams** introduced Licking Heights HS students Isabelle and Jillian.

Sergeant-at-Arms: **Pat Jeffries** was absent and **Bill Cost** fined no one. Whew!

Last Week Reporter: **Lee Heckman**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Heather Powell** announced that Ride for Polio will occur on May 3 and we are looking for riders and walkers. Sign ups are on your tables. See Heather if interested.
- **Caitlin Wilson** announced our support for Operation Feed this month. Bring in food or monetary donations to club meetings. We are looking to improve on last year's efforts.
- **Carol Thress** announced that we are looking for invocation and pledge folks for this month, particularly if you're Irish (even if only on March 17).
- **Brendan Underwood** announced that Rotary's District-wide service project organization is Soles for Souls. See Brendan if interested in donating.

## PROGRAM

**Eschol Curl** introduced today's guests from Denison University's The Reporting Project (TRP): Professor Alan Miller, Executive Editor Julia Lerner, and Denison students Ellie Owen and Owen Baker.

The Reporting Project is Denison's non-profit news source dedicated to in-depth coverage of Licking County. While journalism has been offered as a class for some time, it became an official major only three years ago. He emphasized that despite challenges in the industry, local news remains vital.

TRP publishes stories nearly every day, filling gaps in local coverage, telling community stories, and training future journalists. Stories appear on TRP's website and in other publications.

Denison students Ellie Owen and Owen Baker shared their experiences with Denison's Experiential Reporting course, which encourages students to "Get Off the Hill." Ellie spent last summer working full-time for TRP. Both discussed reporting on homelessness in Licking County and the importance of covering underrepresented voices.

Managing Editor Julia Lerner highlighted TRP's investigative work, including reporting on the Louis Sullivan Building and Arcade renovations. TRP has also covered major events like election day, interviewing more than 100 voters.

Since its founding, TRP has played a critical role in covering local government and development issues. The Intel announcement has been a major focus, alongside concerns raised by residents. Recent investigations covered the proposed asphalt plant in Alexandria and Denison's plans to annex land into Granville for faculty housing.

TRP publishes a free weekly newsletter featuring highlights from the week's stories and uplifting community news. Those interested can sign up at [thereportingproject.org](http://thereportingproject.org).

One of TRP's latest initiatives is the Observers Collaborative, a partnership with the Licking County League of Women Voters. This program trains residents to attend and report on government meetings, increasing transparency. Reports are freely available online.

Looking ahead, TRP hopes to expand the Observers Collaborative and raise funds to hire two full-time reporters. TRP is also working to grow its subscriber base and increase community engagement to support its mission of delivering in-depth, impactful journalism.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

*"The people must know before they can act, and there is no educator to compare with the press." -Ida B. Wells.*