

# Rotary



## Club of Dayton SMILE



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

### Club Leaders



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Assistant Governor

### Birthdays



Scott E. MacDonald  
September 27th

Nicole Renee Sturk  
October 1st

### This Week at Rotary

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

*At the Sinclair Community College for those who have reserved a spot. Also there is a ZOOM option for those who wish to attend virtually.*

*"Serve to Change Lives"*



#### Speaker: Carol Hughes

Carol Hughes, District Governor 6670 will be discussing Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta and his goals and initiatives for the year plus some plans that she has for our District this coming Rotary year.

Chair of the Day: Greg Birkemeyer

### This Happened Last Monday...

President Shaun Yu called the meeting to order shortly after the noon hour. President Yu shared that Cathy Ponitz got married over the weekend and congratulated her on the occasion. He then shared that former long-time Rotarian Bill Yanney passed away last week and asked Fred Abrams to share a few words to honor Bill.

Bill Nance was invited to the podium for invocation, pledge, four-way test and news at noon. Bill then welcomed Secretary, Linda Groover for announcements, birthdays, recognize guests, visiting Rotarians and DAY-10 Foundation gifts. Linda called on Kim Bramlage to make a reminder announcement regarding the bed build this Saturday and that we are still accepted bedding donations. The floor was opened up for DAY-10 Foundation Gifts. Kelly Lehman started off with a Day-200 to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the Books & Bordeaux Rotary Book Club and to thank Susan Hayes for her leadership and growing the club. Susan Hayes reported that book club has had 24 meetings and 24 books. Books are in! Linda Groover joined the Club-125 with her pledge. Mike Houser did a Day-500 for all his absences. Diane Ewing did a Day-200 for her Paul Harris for her birthday and in recognition of all the front line workers in this pandemic and then also to waive the flag for the White Sox and the Bears. Iris Juergens also did a Club-125 pledge. Frank Scott did a Day-100 for the coat project. Gary Gottschlich gave a Day-100 in honor of Jim Gallagher and his efforts on programming over the years. Nick Warrington gave a Day-10 to ask for volunteers to join



Elmer S. Martin  
October 1st



Steven Conklin  
October 2nd



Richard M. Wegmann  
October 2nd

## Speakers

**September 27, 2021**

[Carol Hughes](#)

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[Carol Hughes, District Governor, Rotary District 6670](#)

Serve to Change Lives

**October 04, 2021**

[Kari Tucker, Associate Director of Development](#)

Shriners Hospital Dayton

**October 07, 2021**

[Becky Benna, Director of Community Outreach](#)

Overview of committees: Ethics in Business; Marketing and PR; RYLA; Interact/Rotaract; Peace Committee; Restored Citizens

**October 18, 2021**

[Paul Day, Former NASA Flight Director](#)

**October 25, 2021**

[Phil Jenkins](#)

International Polio Day

him at the Greek gate on Sunday from 2-4 at Oktoberfest. Sarah Hippensteel-Hall gave a Day-25 for her guest and also join the Club-125. Fran Rickenbach gave a Day-50 for the coat project for a recent multi-access meeting that her company ran. Suren Singhvi gave a Day-50 for the bedding drive.

Linda announced that we would once again hold our annual Coat Drive for the DPS Students. A \$50 suggested donation will get a coat, hat and gloves for those students in need. Please have your donation in by October 25th. Linda welcomed her guest Latisha Taylor to the meeting and two guests on zoom Sarah Hippensteel Hall welcomed Leslie King and Tracey Tomme introduced her guest Jill Kreig. Rick Thie introduced his guest Sharlet Briggs from Kettering Health. Linda warned the group that starting in October fines will be reintroduced so be sure and wear your Rotary pin and we will reinstate our policy of one red ribbon member per table. Linda then recognized all Rotarians celebrating their birthday during the upcoming week.

Linda then called President Shaun Yu back to the podium who then called Frank Scott up to make several Paul Harris Presentations. Recognized were Carolyn Rice who received her 7th Paul Harris pin, Penny Wolff who received her 6th Paul Harris pin and Alan Moscovitz who received his 5th Paul Harris pin. Thanks to each for their generosity. Frank also announced that Rotarian Steve Geib created a Paul Harris Fellowship in memoriam for his wife Sandra Kay Geib and received his recognition directly.

Carolyn Rice, chair of the day announced that tomorrow would be international peace day and introduced our speaker George Ironstrack a citizen of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and Assistant Director of the Myaamia Center at Miami University. George spoke to our group about Peace from a Myaamiaki perspective. The objectives of the presentation were to deepen the understanding of the Myaamiaki "Miami Indians" as a vibrant living people with a past but not a people of the past and why this understanding matters. Peace is all about relationships and to form lasting relationships with people then you need to have an understanding of each other. He shared with us a map of the Indian Nations. There are three populations centers of the Miami Tribe one in Indiana, one in Kansas and the largest in Miami, Oklahoma. This area of Oklahoma was Indian Country was the landing point forced removals of the 1800's of many of the tribes. Ottawa County Oklahoma has nine different tribes located a majority of which came from the Ohio/Indiana area. Myaamia currently has over 6,000 citizens located in 49 states. Rights and responsibilities of Citizens of Tribal, State and United States - responsibilities can overlap one another most days they are frictionless but they can conflict one another. Tribes possess a nationhood status and retain inherent powers of Self-Government such as Tribal Police, Tribal License Plates, Governance Buildings, Museum and Cultural Education Facilities, Ecological Land, Elder Care and Daycare Facilities and all the infrastructure is maintained by their tribal nation. Miami Tribe of Oklahoma hold an Annual Gathering every year and swear in new leaders. To retain political sovereignty they must reconstruct and educate their youth on their language and culture. It is very important that the youth learn the language and culture. Beginning in 1795 the Treaty's began to relocate the tribes such that by 1840 they were landless as a Tribal Nation except for small individual parcels of land. The Miami Tribe approached the 1795 treaty as a relationship of Peace and Family and neighbors. Peace is the establishment of groups of people and kinship in the tribal perspective. Unfortunately that was not how it worked out and they were forced to move west of the Mississippi. As the treaties came to an end children were put into boarding schools taught in English only and this had damaging affects to their language and cultures. 1960-1990s the language went into a period of dormancy until they began works to revitalize the language. They have 300 years of written language documents and data that were used to revitalize their language and they have created an online dictionary. They currently have 39 student citizens of Myaamia at Miami University. Shaun thanked George for his presentation and reminded all to make their reservations for next week's meeting.

<https://vimeo.com/611837633> link to the meeting recording

## Annual Coat Drive for Students of Dayton Public Schools



We will once again be providing coats, hats and gloves for Dayton Public School children\* (as well as other necessary clothing items that are needed like uniform pants, shirts and undergarments). These children attend different schools throughout the district, and many are HOMELESS and living in shelters or are living in economically disadvantaged home situations. \*We will help as many kids as funds allow (last year we helped 150+!) We thank Alisa Zink for serving as our coat drive chair again this year. [AZink@myusacu.com](mailto:AZink@myusacu.com) (937-409-7355)

How Can You Help?

We ask that you donate money to the coat fund, and we will do the shopping for you!! (Simply donate \$50 or whatever you feel comfortable giving, and we will purchase a coat, hat and gloves for a child - checks should be made payable to Dayton Rotary Foundation with Coat Project in the memo section.) Or you may donate online at our website under the member area member donation scroll down to designate for Coat Project.

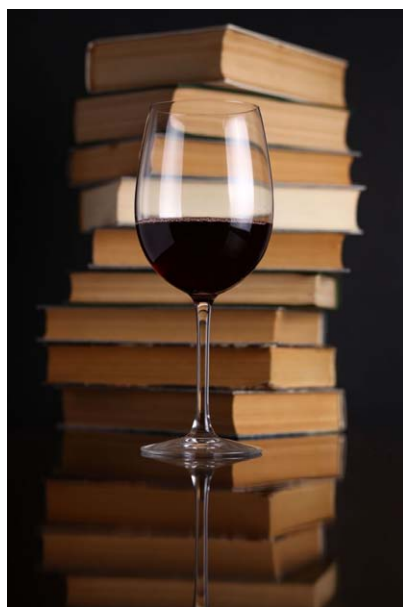
We received a generous matching grant of \$3000 from the District 6670 Foundation to use for this project but we still need YOUR help to reach the match goal.

Since our weather is unpredictable and unseasonable, we would like to get the coats to the students by mid-November. Please turn in monetary donations no later than October 25th. The earlier we have the funds, the more time the committee will have to complete shopping and sorting!



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## Books & Bordeaux Book Club is Five Years Old!



This book club began after a lady's room conversation about one book someone recommended. Synergy began, and a club started with a discussion at a Rotarian's home. Wine and food were a part of the event, hence the name Books & Bordeaux book club.

Meeting places changed, but the friendship and personal benefit became meaningful and lasting. This book club works because it is an intimate, social experience with few demands. If read, the book is one more opportunity to learn of a unique perspective, bring back a memory once lived through, or learn about a new topic. It is fun to get to know other Rotarians at a different level from the Monday noon meeting.

It must be meaningful because it lasted five years, twenty-four meetings and books later, Covid and all, and it is still going!

If you would like to join the book club please contact Susan Hayes [sm.hayes@me.com](mailto:sm.hayes@me.com) or 937-750-7400

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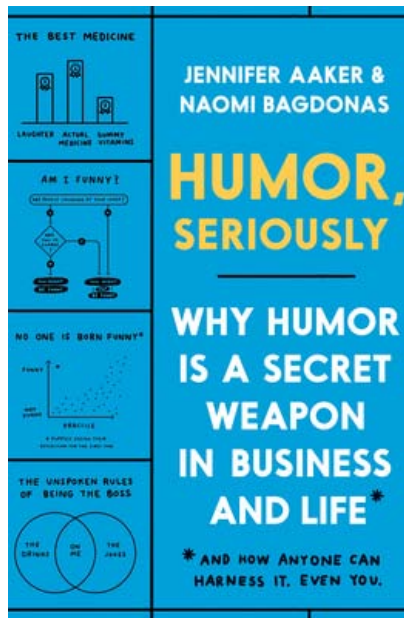
## Rotary Book Club

Rotary Book Club met this week and had an interesting discussion about the book *Life's Edge*. Some came for clear answers of when life began, and others came for information they didn't know. The author said there were as many definitions of life as there are people, so we didn't come away with any clear explanations. We did enjoy the many stories told in the book. The group is ready to read something other than science and research, or anything very serious.

We took the suggestion of Jason Hilliard, who is reading a book about laughter, as our next book. Surendra chimed in and said he wrote a book about laughter and invited us to read it also.

So, our following two books are: *Humor, Seriously: Why Humor is a Secret Weapon in Business & Life* by Jennifer Aaker & Naomi Bagdonas,

And, *Laughter is the Best Therapy: 1000 Jokes* by Dr. Surendra Singh Singhvi. This book is available on Amazon, or Fred Abrams will bring ten copies from Surendra to our next Rotary meeting and give them free of charge to those

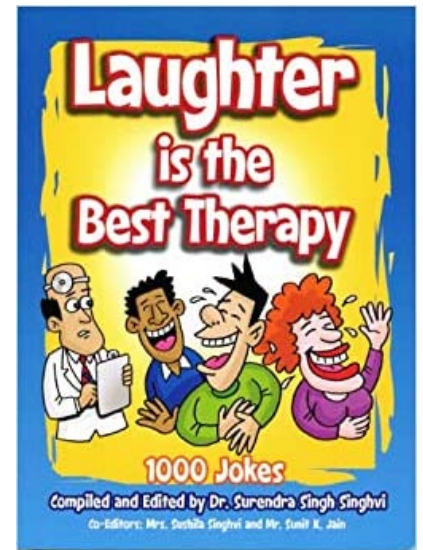


who request one.

**Our next meeting is Tuesday, October 12, 2021.** Some have

asked if we could experiment with a blended in-person/Zoom meeting. John Lyman agreed to explore reserving a room at Boston Stoker, and I will provide the Zoom part of the call, so stay tuned for future details.

Any question please contact:  
 Dr. Susan M. Hayes 937-750-7400  
[sm.hayes@me.com](mailto:sm.hayes@me.com)




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## Join the 125 Club and Support the Rotary Foundation

Check this out

# Join Now in Our First Year



## 125 CLUB

Recognizing Rotarians who contribute at least \$100 to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund and \$25 to PolioPlus for the 2021-2022 Rotary Year.

## 5 Easy Steps

- 1** Contribute at least \$100 to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund
- 2** Contribute at least \$25 to PolioPlus
- 3** Notify your Club President that you have completed Steps 1 and 2
- 4** When you receive your District 6670 125 Club lapel pin – Wear it proudly!
- 5** Encourage fellow Rotarians to join the 125 Club! As Rotarians Let's all donate to the Rotary Foundation.

(Pins will be distributed by Assistant District Governors periodically throughout the Rotary year)

