

# Rotary



## Club of Dayton SMILE



### Club Leaders



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### Birthdays



Mollie Hauser  
July 24th



Lisa Grigsby  
July 25th



Lori Poelking-Igel  
July 26th

### This Week at Rotary

MONDAY, July 24, 2023

*Sinclair Community College - or on Zoom*

**"WE ARE GEM CITY: Meet Your Local Roller Derby"**

Did you know Dayton's roller derby league is one of the top-ranked teams in the world? Their charter team, Purple Reign, ended the year with a perfect season after winning every game they played. Here's your chance to learn all about Roller Derby, how you can join, support or cheer on the team or partner with them for community outreach.

Chair of the Day: Lisa Grigsby

### This Happened Last Monday...

The meeting was called to order by President, Kim Bramlage, at 12:11 PM. Kim welcomed all and reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded. She thanked Nancy Farkas for volunteering to do the Smile Report today. Kim then called on Fran Rickenbach to present the compelling Words to Live by penned by Robert Louis Stevenson: To laugh often and much; To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty; To find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeeming social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived; This is to have succeeded. Kim led the Pledge of Allegiance and then called on Bill Nance to do the News of the Day. Particularly noteworthy in the news was the announcement by Bill that a new Rotary chapter has been founded in Southern California which is specifically focused on mental health and wellness, and which is one of a growing category of cause-based Rotary clubs around the world.

Bill then called on Mollie Hauser to introduce the guests present today: Adam Horseman introduced Phoebe Martin who is an intern at the Light Foundation and a senior at Dennison. Kim Bramlage introduced her friend Lynn Hodge, an artist and whose father was a Rotarian in Pennsylvania. Jeremy Turner introduced Amanda Gleim who was in the army with him and is very involved in property management. Dave Williamson introduced his oldest daughter, Mary Louise, who is home visiting and is currently a teacher in Korea. She hasn't been home for four years. Nicole Sturk introduced Kayleigh Clark with Girls on the Run. They were college interns together. She also introduced Dusty Sturk, her husband, who is a pastor, pianist and DJ, and is available for events.

Mollie then called on Sarah Hippensteel Hall to make the Secretary's Announcements. She began with birthdays which included Linda Groover on 7/17, Mark Ruetschle on 7/20, Kelly Lehman on 7/23, and Tom Lasley on 7/23.

Sarah then gave the following announcements:  
**Rotary District Night at Day Air Ballpark** will be Saturday August 5 at 7 PM. Tickets are \$14 per person, with \$7 of each ticket being donated to the **End Polio Now Fund** at The Rotary Foundation. The deadline to order tickets is this Friday July 21. See the SMILE for the link to purchase your tickets. Sarah also advised that as Carolyn Rice was not able to be present today, she would make the announcement for the Peace Committee. They will be initiating Peace Hikes, and



R. Alan Baker  
July 26th



Alexis Larsen  
July 29th



Matthew Jessup  
July 29th

## Speakers

### July 24, 2023

[Gem City Roller Derby Members](#)  
WE ARE GEM CITY: Meet Your  
Local Roller Derby

### July 31, 2023

[TBD](#)

### August 07, 2023

[TBD](#)

### August 14, 2023

[Colonel Christopher B. Meeker](#)  
Wright Patterson AFB

### August 21, 2023

[TBD](#)

### August 28, 2023

[Vanessa Ward](#)  
Omega CDC

### September 04, 2023

[NO MEETING - LABOR DAY](#)

### September 11, 2023

[Doug Buchy, District Governor,](#)  
[Rotary District 6670](#)  
Rotary...Creating Hope in the  
World

### September 18, 2023

[TBD](#)

International Peace Day

### September 25, 2023

[TBD](#)

### October 02, 2023

[Kevin Riley](#)

### October 09, 2023

[Jason Woodard](#)  
Woodard Development

### October 16, 2023

[MaryLynn Lodor & Dan Foley](#)  
The Miami Conservancy District  
and The Great Miami Riverway

### October 23, 2023

[Valerie Beerbower, Sinclair](#)  
[Workforce Development](#)  
Propelling Your Small Business  
with Goldman Sachs

### October 30, 2023

[Rabbi Aubry Glazer](#)

the first will take place on July 27 at Cox Arboretum. Those wishing to participate should meet at the Cox Arboretum Yellow Trail at 6 PM on the 27th.

She then advised that Rotary Rewards will not be the same each week. This week she randomly selected four people for rewards who are sitting next to new people today. They included Ed , Dona, Chuck and Kappy.

Day 10's/Foundation donations followed: Linda Groover did a day 100 for her birthday, Kelly also did a day 100 for her birthday and additionally gave a shout out to the cardiac team at Miami Valley and to the Rotarians who supported her. Dick Hattershire did a day 50 for Nancy Farkas for doing the Smile Report, Paul Gruner did a Day 12 in honor of the Bearcats game, Susan Hayes did a Day 100 for her 47<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and for the loss of her last brother, Chuck Watts did a Day 20 for two different issues, an article on empathy in the Rotarian magazine and for the humanitarian efforts towards Ukraine; he advised that they are looking for 7 Rotary donors to participate. Sarah finally noted that the Rotarian magazine featured water this time and advised that the Miami River is one of the healthiest rivers in the state of Ohio.

She then called on President Kim Bramlage who gave a shout out to the newest Rotary members: Ann is present today and Vince is on zoom. Red Ribbon members Kappy Kilburn and Mollie Hauser had their red ribbons removed for completing all the requirements. She then called on Frank Scott who announced that the New Member Orientation Meeting is being reinstated and will be held next Monday at 11 just prior to the Rotary meeting. He invited all new members to attend.

Finally, Kim shared an important video message from Rotary International President, Gordon McNally, who advised that Rotary will not only be focused on eradicating polio and creating hope in the world for our areas of focus but will also be focusing on mental health this year. He wants Rotary to be a safe place for sharing and experiencing well-being. He suggested that we should not just ask "how are you", but "how are you, really? He wants to erase the stigma regarding mental illness and wants us to become more supportive to everyone. Following the video, Kim noted that he speaks openly and honestly about his brother's suicide due to mental health issues, which is a primary reason for his focus on mental health and wellness.

Kim then asked Adam Horseman, Chair of the Day, to introduce the speaker. Troy Eden, COO of The Light Foundation. Adam advised that Troy is retired from the US Air Force, with 32 years in intelligence. Troy then presented a comprehensive video which highlighted the many aspects of the Light program. The Light Foundation was started by Mac Light with the goal of empowering youth and transforming lives, helping young people become strong, contributing members of society and tracking their progress annually. The Light Foundation campus is located on a 500-acre space near Greenville, OH and was established in 2001.

It has two yurts which sleep 26 persons each, an outdoor pavilion, a 100- seat amphitheater, pond, trails, a tree house, covered bridge, a bell tower and more. 9000 kids go through this camp annually and it is available to any non-profits in the Miami Valley to use for free for their youth. Camp Vohokase is a nationwide camp with a 4-year commitment. There is a fishing program, wild turkey hunt, a conservation camp and a football camp. There is also a project focused on twenty-two 1<sup>st</sup> grade classes in Darke County.

Upcoming events include Timberframe, Gauntlet Mad River, HoF fishing events, Winter Wonderland and more. Troy advised that they are always looking for volunteers and donations. Following the presentation Kim announced that Rotary would make a \$35 donation to his nonprofit of your choice.

She then asked him to draw the Queen of hearts ticket who was Rhonda. As she was online, Kim asked Frank Scott to pick the card for her. Although she did not win, she will receive the 4 tickets to the air show and the parking pass which were contributed by Walt Hibner.

Kim then advised that next week's program will be about the Gem City Roller Derby. Mary Louise announced that she was a charter member of the Gem City Roller Derby, however she will be back in Korea next week, so she won't be able to attend. Finally, she then asked Jeremy Turner to lead the group in The Four Way Test and the meeting was then adjourned at 1:01 PM.

[Link to the recorded meeting](#)

## Queen of Hearts Drawing

Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle

Weekly at Monday Meetings to benefit the Dayton Rotary Foundation

\$1 per ticket/\$5 for 6 tickets

Weekly winner draws a card from the deck if they draw the Queen of Hearts the winner takes ½ the pot. If the card is not the Queen of Hearts card then the card is destroyed & we try again next week. Meanwhile the pot continues to grow.

**CURRENT POT: \$2101**

See Secretary Linda or Laura for more information.

**ATTENTION ZOOM PARTICIPANTS**

\*\*\*\*For those members who would like to participate via zoom - please let Laura know ahead of time or place your request in the chat prior to the start of the meeting and we will assign you ticket numbers and bill your foundation account.



**RULES FOR THIS ROUND**

- You must be present to win and/or purchase tickets (either in person or on zoom)
- The drawing is for members of the Dayton Rotary only.
- The winner will need to complete a W-9 form and will be issued a W2-G form.
- The drawing will go to the very last card.

**New Rotary Activity...Peace Hikes**



**The Dayton Rotary Peace Committee is starting a new activity, "Peace Hikes".**

These hikes will take place *every other Thursday at 6 pm at various Five Rivers MetroParks*. The goal is to build relationships, get out in nature, and have some fun all at the same time. No need to sign up in advance— just show up if you want to participate. As long as two people show up, the hike is a go.

The first hike will take place on *July 27th at 6 pm at Cox Arboretum MetroPark*. We will be walking the Yellow Trail.

**Bring a partner— friends, family, spouse, children. All are welcome!**

**Rotary District 6670 Night with the Dragons at Day Air Ballpark**



**Saturday, August 5th**  
**Game time is 7:05 PM.**  
**Tickets - \$14 pp**

*\*\$7 from every ticket will be donated to the End Polio Now fund at The Rotary Foundation.*


Come join friends, family, and fellow Rotarians from all over southwest Ohio in District 6670

for a fun night out at a Dragons game on

Saturday, August 5th.

Game starts at 7:05pm, with gates opening at 6:00pm.

**Deadline to order tickets is Friday, July 21st**



You can use this link to purchase tickets: <https://fevogn.com/RotarySWOhio23> and pay for your tickets by credit card. Dragons' tickets are virtual and tickets can be put right on your phone OR, for only \$2, you can have all the tickets printed and mailed.

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