

The MarRotagram



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President-Elect



Tasha Werry
President-Nominee



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Club Executive Secretary



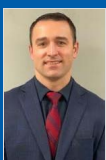
Terry Edward Rataiczak
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Elizabeth Godfrey
Club Membership Chair



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Past President



Anthony Mark Huffman
Past President
Club Grant Coordinator



Lori Hart
Club Public Image Chair



Kathy Schalitz
Club TRF Chair



Patricia L. Peoples
Club Peace Committee Chair

Speakers

Fellow Rotarians,

I hope your week is off to a fabulous start! I know the best part of your week is Thursday at noon, so here is what you can look forward to!

THIS WEEK (February 20th, 2025)

**Duty Roster (Attendance, Ticket Sales and Greeter: Arrive by 11:30;
Invocation and Can Collector: Arrive by 11:50):**

- **Attendance:** Sarah Parker
- **Ticket Sales:** Lori Hart
- **Greeter:** Jacky Miner
- **Invocation:** Need a volunteer
- **Can Collection:** Evan Streator

SAVE THE DATE

- **Next Board Meeting:** Wednesday, March 5th, 4pm @ the Levee House

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- We are up to 441 service hours for the year! You can log your service hours on the Ignite app or on the Service Hours Report at the attendance table at the Thursday meeting.
- Don't forget to bring your 'soft plastics' to the meeting. **STILL 200 pounds to go!! SOOO CLOSE!!!**
- **SE Ohio Foodbank's Washington County Mobile Market** - Our club was asked to help distribute food at the Washington County Fairgrounds on Friday, March 21st. Volunteers will arrive at 9am to package frozen foods and produce items. The food distribution runs from 10am to noon and volunteers will help load food into cars. Last time they served 256 families. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Thursday meeting or you can email McKenzie if you are interested in volunteering.
- **February Service Project with Habitat for Humanity** - volunteer dates coming soon.

LAST WEEK (February 13th, 2025)

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests of Rotarians:

February 20, 2025

[Erin Augustine](#)

Lafayette 200-Bicentennial of
Lafayette's Farewell Tour 2024-
2025

- Jill Hall, guest of Laura Miller.
- Todd Burge, guest of Bill White.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Blue Badge Presentation:** Andrew Parsons received his Blue Badge.
- **Johnny is doing well.** His surgery is on February 25, and the club members donated a helpful sum of money to help Johnny when he gets home with incidentals (or however he needs to use the \$). For an amount, please ask Colleen at the next meeting.
- **Our club is a sponsor of the Annual Marietta Chamber of Commerce Dinner.** We used \$450 from our PR budget. There will be a vender table during the networking hour which is a great way to promote the club and advertise to new members. If you plan on going to the dinner and want to be involved with the planning for the vender table or be at the vender table please talk to McKenzie.
- **We are looking for a Team Member and Team Leader for the upcoming Rotary USA District 6690 nGSE Adult Exchange Program to Brazil in June 2025!** You DO NOT have to be a Rotarian to be eligible as a Team Member on the trip, but you DO have to be a Rotarian to be a Team Leader. A Team Leader serves as the point person for the group during and leading up to the trip. Our hope is to send at least one person from our club as a Team Member or Team Leader. If you are interested, please talk to Laura Miller or McKenzie Allen.
- **We are looking for hosts for the Mongolians in June!** As part of the nGSE Exchange, the Mongolians plan to make their way to Ohio In June. This exchange with the Mongolian group has been delayed for a few years now and we are excited to host them soon! Please talk to Laura Miller or McKenzie Allen if you are interested in hosting Team Members of the Mongolian group.

UPDATES FROM THE BOARD:

- **Aleece Dye** has been added to the presidential slate for 2027-2028.
- Approved a 3-Month Leave of Absence for **Ethan Lamb** while he fulfills his military duty.
- Approved an additional \$2,000 from the district grant to be used this year toward scholarship grants - creating a grand total of **\$20,000 to be given in Rotary scholarships this year.**
- Approved \$2,000 from the district service project budget to **support the Soles4Souls 4EveryKid initiative** which aims to provide new shoes for kids in need across the state of Ohio.
- Other discussions: We have added a new slide to the meeting slideshow to include a QR code to our **new member application**. There will also be a printed version at the attendance table. If you bring a guest and they are interested in being part of our FANTASTIC CLUB, point them to the QR code to fill out an application - a process that will increase the efficiency of our new member process.

PRESENTATION: Last week our Club enjoyed a program from the Ohio Arts Council Organizational Programs Coordinator for central and southeastern Ohio, Brianna Dance. Brianna has been part of the Arts Council staff for the last 12 years and eloquently described the 14 grants available through the OAC, which is a state agency supporting Arts and Culture. Brianna stated only 6% of their

funding comes from the Federal Government so she sees no issues with potential government cuts. She explained the various grants, their monetary levels and who should apply. She stated the Peoples Bank Theatre has taken advantage of numerous grant opportunities (and the Ely Chapman is also a recipient of a few grants). Brianna was informative and passionate and we are thankful for Bill White and Tasha Werry coordinating efforts to get Brianna Dance to our club meeting.

Split the pot: Daily- \$41, Jackpot- \$327. Winner of daily only- Dave Wesel.



SORTING OUT WHERE CONTRIBUTIONS GO

Where do your contributions go? There are three main organizations where we as Marietta Rotarians direct our Rotary Giving. Sometimes it can be confusing, so here is something to hopefully help keep things straight.

ORGANIZATION	DONATION DESIGNATIONS	ADDRESS	MEMBER CONTACT	EMAIL
Rotary Club of Marietta	Club Dues	PO Box 1138 Marietta, OH 45750	Terry Rataiczak	treasurer@mariettanoonrotary.org
Marietta Rotary Foundation	Unrestricted Fund, Safetytown, Scholarships	424 2nd Street Marietta, OH 45750	Colleen Cook Bob Kirkbride	cook@theisenbrock.com rekirkbride@yahoo.com
Rotary International Foundation	\$125 Club, Paul Harris, Annual Fund, PolioPlus	PO Box 1138 Marietta, OH 45750	Terry Rataiczak	treasurer@mariettanoonrotary.org



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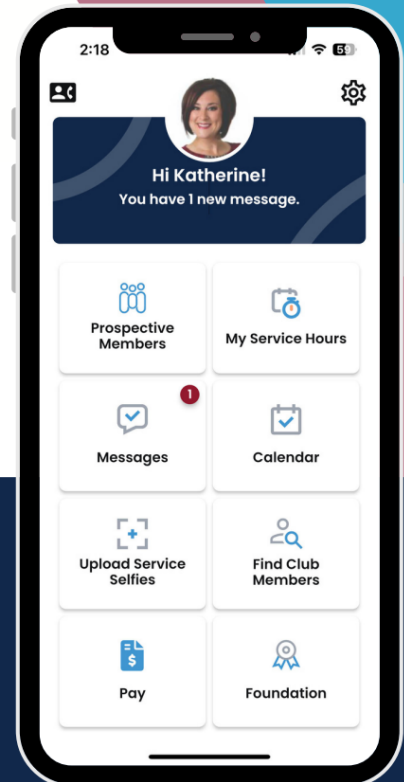
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