

ROTARY FORWARD

The Weekly Newsletter of the
Rotary Club of Knoxville



December 1, 2020

Club Meeting Location: Zoom at 12pm

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

RCK Meeting - Zoom
Speaker: Capt. Dan Nelson,
Knoxville Salvation Army
Commander

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

RCK Annual Meeting
Speaker: Georgiana Vines

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

RCK Meeting
Knoxville Opera Presents A
Christmas Program

Tuesday, December 22, 2020

No Club Meeting

Tuesday, December 29, 2020

No Club Meeting

Tuesday, December 1, 2020
Location: Zoom

RCK's weekly meeting will be held **virtually** on Tuesday, December 1, 2020. You may join us via Zoom from your PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android using the link below:

<https://zoom.us/j/92215413313>

Meeting ID: 922 1541 3313

Presiding: President Paul Kedrow

Pledge & Invocation: Ray Mowery

Program Chair: Paul Kedrow

Program: Captain Daniel Nelson, Salvation Army

4-Way Test: Wes Price

*December is Disease Prevention and Treatment
Month*

2020-2021 Officers & Directors

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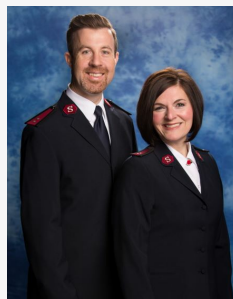
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Virginia Babb, Kim Isenberg, Frank



Upcoming Program:

**Tuesday, November 24,
2020**

**Captain Dan Nelson,
The Salvation Army**

Captain Dan & Major Sarah Nelson presently serve as Area Commanders/Corps Officers of The Salvation Army of Knoxville, having arrived in June 2019. They give oversight to the mission and ministry of The Salvation Army in Knoxville, Sevierville and Maryville. They have served in The Salvation Army as employees and as officers (ministerial and administrative leadership). Their previous ministry experiences had them in St. Petersburg, FL; Danville, KY; and Atlanta, GA.

Robinson, and Emma Webb

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The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideals of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster the following:

- **FIRST.** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- **SECOND.** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- **THIRD.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- **FOURTH.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotary Office Holiday Schedule

September 7
Labor Day

November 11
Veteran's Day

November 26 & 27
Thanksgiving

December 25
Christmas

January 1
New Year's Day

January 18

Dan was ordained and commissioned a Salvation Army officer in 2008 and Sarah in 2004. Dan holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from Western Illinois University and a Master of Arts in Religion from Trevecca Nazarene University. Sarah holds a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries from Trevecca Nazarene University and is presently working on a Master of Arts in Religion through Trevecca. She also graduated the Arrow Leadership Program in 2010.

The Nelsons have two children. Their daughter, Hannah is a senior in college attending Trevecca Nazarene University. Their son, Nolan is a virtual 7th grader at Hardin Valley Middle School. Dan's hobbies include running and outdoor recreation. Sarah enjoys long walks, decorating, and cooking as little as possible. Together they love to travel and spend time with family.

Rotary Record - November 24, 2020

President **Paul Kedrow** called the meeting to order.

Rob Johnson led us in the pledge, followed by the invocation.

Paul Kedrow welcomed our visitors and guests.

Secretary **Shannon Holland** made the announcements via Zoom.

Jim Cundall introduced speaker **Dr. Barry Rouse**, Distinguished Professor of Biomedical and Diagnostic Science at UTCVM.

The Four Way Test was led by **Bob Samples**.



Program Recap November 24, 2020

Dr. Barry Rouse,
University of Tennessee

Rotarian **Jim Cundall** introduced our guest speaker, **Dr. Barry Rouse**. Dr. Rouse is a Distinguished Professor of Biomedical and Diagnostic Science at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Rouse has studied viruses similar to COVID-19 for a number of years, and shared his thoughts related to the recent COVID-19 pandemic.

Many viruses over time have been spread by bats, rodents, and in some cases, domestic animals. As an example, measles was spread by cattle. He shared some statistics regarding the death tolls for many of the more wide-spread pandemics in history, including seven known human Corona Viruses.

Dr. Rouse provided answers to some of the most

Martin Luther King, Jr Day

February 15
President's Day

May 31
Memorial Day

July 4
Independence Day

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burning questions related to COVID-19:

1) From where did it come? It came from bats in China, likely in wet markets such as Wuhan. An intermediate host, the pangolin, may have been involved.

2) How is it contracted and spread? It is spread mostly via aerosols and droplets and is more infectious than influenza.

3) Who gets COVID-19? Obviously, it affects the human population, but also affects bats, cats, and tigers (although with no symptoms). Pangolins, ferrets, hamsters, and minks can also be affected. Just recently over 17 million minks were killed in Denmark to prevent the spread to humans.

4) How do you usually get infected? Close exposure to symptomatic persons, especially if shouting, singing, sneezing, or playing a musical instrument such as a trumpet. Exposure to non-symptomatic infected persons is at a lower risk and exposure to contaminated surfaces is at extremely low risk.

5) How is it transmitted? Most people are not efficient spreaders. A recent study showed that 80 percent of transmission is by less than 10 percent of the cases, the so-called "super spreaders."

Transmission factors include duration and nature of exposure, indoor vs outdoor exposure, social distancing, and age/health status.

6) What is the means of transmission? Mostly achieved by aerosols and droplets. Large droplets settle, while smaller ones can access the lower lungs, bypassing immune activation.

7) What about wearing masks? One critical issue that defines the outcome of infection is the dose and formulation of the initial infection. Masks cut down on the dose and may transform a potentially lethal dose into an immunizing dose.

8) How can we intervene in a pandemic? Behavioral modification (social distancing, masks, etc.), some pharmacological intervention, use of biologicals, anti-inflammatory drugs, and vaccines. The recent announcements regarding vaccines is encouraging.

In closing, Dr. Rouse had the following take-home messages. COVID-19 is here to stay. Eventually we shall have herd immunity, and this could be greatly enhanced by effective vaccines. New pandemics are to be expected. We need to change our greeting habits (less handshakes, hugs, and kisses).

Meeting Scribe: Jim Decker

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Meeting: the Fundraising Committee will meet via Zoom on Thursday, December 3 at 4:00pm.
[Zoom Link](#)

Volunteer Opportunity: Sign up to ring the bell for the Salvation Army at West Town Mall on December 12th! See below for more information. We still have several open shifts!

Holiday celebration at Beaumont Elementary: The Local Community Service Committee is collecting funds for a holiday celebration for the children at Beaumont Elementary. Many of these children did not have a Thanksgiving celebration and won't have a Christmas celebration either. If you would like to contribute, you may do so through [Paypal](#) or by sending a check to the Rotary Office, with LCS Beaumont in the memo line. Contact Ray Mowery or Emma Webb for more information!

AmazonSmile benefits the Rotary Foundation of Knoxville: As you do your holiday shopping, navigate your browser to smile.amazon.com and set your charity to the Knoxville Rotary Student Loan Fund Inc. AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the purchase price for your orders to our Rotary Foundation! Don't forget to bookmark the site for next time!

2021 RCK Peace Award Nominations: The Peace Committee is accepting applications for the 2021 Peace Award! The nomination form can be found [here](#) and the information sheet [here](#). The completed nomination form should be returned to the Rotary Office by December 15th.

Are you good at taking notes? The Newsletter Committee is always looking for people who regularly attend meetings (in person or via Zoom!) to join their ranks and assist in summarizing the Speaker presentations for the Rotary Forward Newsletter! Contact Chair [Tim Howell](#) if you're interested.

Do you know someone who tells great stories? The Program Committee is always looking for speakers! Contact Program Chair [Annette Winston](#) with suggestions.

Do you have an upcoming Rotary committee meeting or event? Please notify the Rotary Office (office@knoxvillerotary.org) to include it in our weekly announcements.

VOLUNTEER TO RING THE BELL FOR THE SALVATION ARMY



It's that time of year again! The Rotary Club of Knoxville has reserved two locations to ring the bell for the Salvation Army on **Saturday, December 12th**. 2-hour shifts are available at West Town Mall near the Cheesecake Factory and at the Dillard's entrance facing Kingston Pike from **8am-8pm**.

The Salvation Army is working to keep volunteers safe from COVID-19. Every volunteer will be given a PPE kit prior to their shift. This kit will include a mask, disposable gloves, disposable apron and disinfectant/sanitizer.

Contact the Rotary Office to schedule your shift! Email Cate at office@knoxvillerotary.org or call the office at 865-523-8252.

MORE THAN \$5,000 RAISED FOR MÁTÉSZALKA



Bravo, RCK! This year, we raised over \$5,000 in just three weeks to purchase Christmas gifts for the orphans and foster children of the Mátészalka Children's Home! The funds have been sent to Hungary, where our Twin Club Rotarians and Inner Wheel members are purchasing the gifts. Due to your generosity, every child will have a gift on Christmas day!

We are especially grateful to the following Rotarians and Friends of Rotary: Frank Addicks, Sam Albritton, Virginia Babb, David Butler, Suzanne Carriere, Bo Croley, Jim Cundall, Jim Decker, John Dempster, Kim Denton, Kent Farris, Terry Igoe, Katheryn Johnson, Rob Johnson, Paul Kedrow, Libby Kennedy, Bill MacGrath, Bob Marquis, Sandy Martin, Joe McDonald, Doug McKamey, Brent Midyett, Todd Moody, David Moser, Ray Mowery, Townes Osborn, Margie Parrott, Whitney Ray Dawson, Frank Robinson, Frank Rothermel, Alan Rutenberg, Bob Samples, Jennifer Sepaniak, Wes Stowers, Alice Torbett, Fred Trainer, Ginny Weatherstone, Annette Winston, Anthony Wise, Brown Wright, and the Webb Interact Club for their generous donations.

VOLUNTEER WITH MOBILE MEALS



You can still sign up to volunteer with Mobile Meals! You can volunteer once, or on a regular basis.

Mobile Meals delivers lunch to homebound seniors, who have been especially hard hit during these trying times. The Local Community Service Committee has arranged for a Wednesday delivery date, and the route should take about an hour. For your first time visiting/delivering you'll need to arrive about 9:45 for orientation. You can volunteer for one specific Wednesday, or several! Application linked [here](#), and info form [here](#). Contact [Ray Mowery](#) or [Bill Forbes](#) with questions!

WEEKLY POLIO UPDATE

Polio Headlines:

- Fahima Ahmed Hassan is a 25-year-old community mobilizer who goes the extra mile to ensure parents of children under the age of five are informed of Somalia's polio vaccination campaigns and are ready for their children to be vaccinated. [Read about Fahima and other Community mobilizers](#) who build trust with communities ahead of crucial vaccination campaigns.
- The GPEI has published an [Interim guidance document](#) on the use of Novel Oral Polio Vaccine type 2 (nOPV2) which is meant to provide context and policy guidance on the use of nOPV2 in response to Type 2 circulating Vaccine-Derived Poliovirus (cVDPV2) during the Initial Use Period. This document is an addendum to the "Standard Operating Procedures: Responding to a poliovirus event or outbreak", Version 3.1' (SOPs) (5).



Afghanistan: 2 wild polio type 1 (WPV1) cases were reported this week. There have been 56 cases reported in 2020, while the total number of cases reported in 2019 remains 29.

Pakistan: 0 wild polio virus type 2 (WPV1) cases were reported this week. Reported cases in 2020 total 81, while the total number of 2019 cases remains 147.

Wild poliovirus (WPV)

Total global cases in 2020: 137 (compared to 107 for the same period in 2019)

Total global cases in 2019: 176

Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV) cases

Total global cVDPV cases in 2020: 672 (compared with 179 for the same period in 2019)

Total global cVDPV cases in 2019: 378

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, December 3 - Fundraising Committee Meeting on [Zoom](#)

Tuesday, December 8 - Rotary Club of Knoxville Annual Meeting

Saturday, December 12 - Salvation Army Bell-Ringing at West Town Mall

Monday, December 14 - 11am Board of Directors Meeting on [Zoom](#)

Tuesday, December 22 - No Club Meeting, Christmas Holiday

Tuesday, December 29 - No Club meeting, New Year's Holiday

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



The Rotary Club of Knoxville wishes a very **Happy Birthday** to the following members celebrating a birthday this month:

12/2 - **Allen Pannell**
12/4 - **Frank Robinson**
12/6 - **John Criner**
12/7 - **Jeff Loos**
12/7 - **Odacir Oliveira**
12/13 - **Crit Parrott**
12/18 - **Amy Sherrill**
12/21 - **John Billings**
12/24 - **Frank Addicks**
12/26 - **Tom Pryse**
12/31 - **Roy King**



Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Congratulations to the following members who are celebrating their Rotary anniversary this month:

Harry Sherrrod - 38 years
Al Bedinger - 37 years
Frank Rothermel - 24 years
Jake Brezeale - 20 years
Whit Addicks - 19 years
Libby Kennedy - 19 years
Randy Corlew - 18 years
Todd Moody - 12 years
Tom Pryse - 11 years
Jason Murphy - 4 years
Will Rothermel - 2 years

AREA ROTARY CLUBS

Monday: [Lenoir City](#)-12Noon, Loudon County Visitors Bureau;[Oak Ridge Sunset](#)-5:30pm, Emory Valley Center

Tuesday: [Clinton](#)-12Noon, Clinton Community Center;[Loudon](#)-12Noon, Blairland Baptist Church; [Morristown A.M.](#)-7:30am, Morristown Country Club

Wednesday: [Farragut](#)-12:15, Fox Den Country Club;[Knoxville Breakfast](#)-7:00am, Gus's World Famous Chicken; [Maryville](#)-12Noon, Blount County Public Library; [Morristown](#)-12Noon, Morristown Country Club; [Oak Ridge Breakfast](#)-7:15am, The Unitarian Universalist Church of Oak Ridge

Thursday: [North Knoxville](#)-12Noon, Litton's Restaurant; [Oak Ridge](#)-11:45am, Doubletree Hotel;

Friday: [Knoxville Volunteer](#)-12Noon, Blount Mansion; [Bearden](#)-12:15pm, Bearden Banquet Hall

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