

# The Sunsetter



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Join leaders  
Exchange ideas  
Take action



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## Upcoming Programs

January 17

## Announcements

**NO MEETING THIS WEEK!** In observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's birthday, the Club will not meet this week.



**5th Monday** On January 31st the Club will meet at Burchfield's in the DoubleTree hotel for our 5th Monday social. We will meet in the bar area so bring a friend and have some fun.

## Kroger Community Rewards

If you haven't already, please sign up for the Kroger Community Rewards. The benefits go to our Oak Ridge Rotary Sunset Community Fund. We have been getting \$100-150 per quarter and would like to get more as the money goes to support our projects.

It's easy to sign up. Just go to [Kroger.com](http://Kroger.com). Scroll to the bottom to where it says Community and click on Kroger Community Rewards. The you just need to follow the prompts; -the Kroger's at which you shop, and then select our fund. If it asks for the organization number, it's 65746. You will need your Kroger Plus card number as well.

Finally, if you know of family or friends who shop at Kroger's ask them to sign up too.

## Want an announcement in the Sunsetter?

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## No Meeting - Martin Luther King Jr Observance

January 24

### The Rotary Foundation, PDG Beth Stubbs

Invocation: Roger Petrie  
Greeter: Dave Mason  
Snacks: TBA

January 31

### 5th Monday - Club Social at Burchfield's in DoubleTree

February 7

### Monthly BOD Meeting/Club Social

Invocation: Wes Singer  
Greeter: Roger Petrie  
Snacks: TBA

### January Birthdays

SueAnne Lewis, 23rd  
Becky Dodson, 31st

### January Club Anniverseries

Loretta Friend (1 Year)

## 2017-2018 Officers

**Jim Dodson**

President

**Margaretanne Ingle**

President-Elect

**Bruce Easley**

Vice President

**Loretta Friend**

Secretary

**Kay Honey**

Treasurer

**Devrin Kuipers**

Immediate Past President

If you have pictures, information, or announcements that you'd like to share with the rest of the club, please email them to **Devrin K Devrin Kuipers** at [devrin@devrin.com](mailto:devrin@devrin.com).

## Rotary Business

- **What is Rotary?** Rotary is an international organization that **joins leaders** from all continents, cultures, and occupations to **exchange ideas**, bring our expertise and diverse perspectives to help solve some of the world's toughest problems, and **take action** to bring about lasting change in our communities and around the world.
- **If you miss a meeting, be sure to make up during the two weeks before or after the missed meeting.** You can make up at another club or on line at one of these e-clubs:

E-club of Southeast USA [www.recswusa.org](http://www.recswusa.org)

Rotary E-club NY1 [www.rotaryclubny1.com](http://www.rotaryclubny1.com)

Rotary Club of District 7890 [www.rotaryclub7890.org](http://www.rotaryclub7890.org).

- Please notify Secretary **Loretta Friend** when you make up a meeting. Her email address is [Loretta.Friend@orau.org](mailto:Loretta.Friend@orau.org).
- Rotarians who make up at the Sunset Club pay \$10.

## 2018-19 RI President Barry Rassin wants Rotary members to *Be the Inspiration*

By Hank Sartin

Rotary International President-elect Barry Rassin laid out his vision for the future of the organization on Sunday, calling on leaders to work for a sustainable future and to inspire Rotarians and the community at large.

Rassin, a member of the Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas, unveiled the 2018-19 presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "I want you to inspire in your clubs, your Rotarians, that desire for something greater. The drive to do more, to be more, to create something that will live beyond each of us."

Rassin stressed the power of Rotary's new vision statement, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." This describes the Rotary that leaders must help build, he said.

To achieve this vision, the president-elect said, Rotarians must take care of the organization: "We are a membership organization first. And if we want to be able to serve, if we want to succeed in

## 2017-2018

### Directors

**SueAnne Lewis**

Club Service Chair

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Membership Chair

**Chuck Darling**

The Rotary Foundation Chair

**Leonard Abbatiello**

Service Projects Chair

**Becky Dodson**

Youth Services Chair

**Devrin Kuipers**

Public Relations Chair

**Roger Petrie**

Past President Director

our goals — we have to take care of our members first.”

Rassin asked the incoming district governors to “inspire the club presidents, and the Rotarians in your districts, to want to change. To want to do more. To want to reach their own potential. It’s your job to motivate them — and help them find their own way forward.”

#### Progress on polio

Rassin noted that one source of inspiration has been Rotary’s work to eradicate polio. He described the incredible progress made over the past three decades. In 1988, an estimated 350,000 people were paralyzed by the wild poliovirus; just 20 cases were reported in 2017 as of 27 December. “We are at an incredibly exciting time for polio eradication,” he said, “a point at which each new case of polio could very well be the last.”

He emphasized that even when that last case of polio is recorded, the work won’t be finished. “Polio won’t be over, until the certifying commission says it’s over—when not one poliovirus has been found, in a river, in a sewer, or in a paralyzed child, for at least three years,” he said. “Until then, we have to keep doing everything we’re doing now.” He urged continued dedication to immunization and disease surveillance programs.

#### Sustaining the environment

Rotary has focused heavily on sustainability in its humanitarian work in recent years. Now, Rassin said, Rotarians must acknowledge some hard realities about pollution, environmental degradation, and climate change. He noted that 80 percent of his own country is within one meter of sea level. With sea levels projected to rise two meters by 2100, he said, “my country is going to be gone in 50 years, along with most of the islands in the Caribbean and coastal cities and low-lying areas all over the world.”

Rassin urged leaders to look at all of Rotary’s service as part of a larger global system. He said that this means the incoming district governors must be an inspiration not only to clubs, but also to their communities. “We want the good we do to last. We want to make the world a better place. Not just here, not just for us, but everywhere, for everyone, for generations.”

### The Four-Way Test

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?**

### International and District Officers

**Ian H. S. Riseley**, Sandringham, Victoria, Australia – RI President  
**Deborah Alexander-Davis**, Kingston – District Governor  
**Brenda Thornburgh**, Oak Ridge Breakfast – Assistant District Governor  
**Jim Roxlo**, Chattanooga Breakfast – District Governor-Elect (2018-19)



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## Oak Ridge Rotary Clubs Meetings

### **Rotary Club of Oak Ridge**

Thursday, 12:00 Noon, Double Tree Hotel, 215 South Illinois Avenue

### **Breakfast Rotary Club**

Wednesday, 7:15 am

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Oak Ridge, 809 Oak Ridge Turnpike

## Area Rotary Club Meetings

### **MONDAY**

**Rockwood:** Victorian Square, 6:15 pm

**Lenoir City:** First Baptist Church, Noon

### **TUESDAY**

**Loudon:** First Baptist Church Annex, Noon

**Clinton:** Clinton Community Center, Noon

**Knoxville:** Knoxville Marriott, Noon

**Kingston:** Michael Dunn Center, 6:00 pm

### **WEDNESDAY**

**Knoxville:** Gettysvue Country Club, 7:00 am

**Maryville:** Blount County Library, Noon

**Farragut:** Fox Den Country Club, 12:15 pm

### **THURSDAY**

**Harriman:** Roane State Faculty Dining Room, Noon

**North Knoxville:** Litton's Restaurant, Noon

### **FRIDAY**

**Tellico Lake:** Tellico West Conference Center, 8:00 am

**Knoxville Volunteer:** Marriott Hotel, Noon

**Bearden:** Buddy's Barbecue Bearden, 12:15pm