



THE PRESIDENT'S CLUB of DAYTON
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NEWSLETTER
August 2025

Connecting Dayton's Service Clubs Since 1932
www.presidentsclubdayton.org

President's Message

As summer winds down and fall planning begins, we are reminded of the enduring impact our service clubs have on Dayton. Whether you're organizing back-to-school drives, community picnics, or leadership programs, your commitment to service shines. The Presidents Club of Dayton is here to support your mission and amplify your work. Let's keep collaborating and inspiring.

Leadership Tips



“How to Re-Energize Membership After Summer”

- Reconnect with a fun event
- Start a new community project
- Highlight member accomplishments
- Invite guests to monthly meetings



**Citizen Legion of Honor Award
and Scholarship Luncheon Wednesday, October 8, 2025**
• Sinclair Conference Center “*The Great Hall.*”

Click on the Link below and share the Sponsorship Package

[CLOH Sponsorship Package](#)

You can also go to www.presidentsclubdayton.org Events and register as a member, guest, or sponsor. Let's celebrate our final home of our Wall of Honor and new venue for our Scholarship Luncheon.



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Did you take a Vacation this summer?

Send us your photos with a caption and let us share them at our August meeting on Wednesday August 20, 2025. Join us and inspire others with your trip experience!



Send your photos to: president@presidentsclubdayton.org

Deadline to submit is August 13, 2026



Clubs, go to our website

www.presidentsclubdayton.org and go
to Membership and Member
Clubs...check to make sure your club
information is correct.

In Case You Missed It, at our recent meeting, we had the privilege of hearing from *Charles Emerson "Chuck" Johnson*, a 91-year-old retired engineer, educator, and public historian with a career that bridges science, aerospace, and historical preservation. Chuck shared stories from his early days working alongside automotive pioneer Charles F. Kettering at the C.F. Kettering Research Laboratory. He later led engineering work supporting the NASA Apollo program through partnerships with Aerojet General, Systemed Corporation, and UC Irvine.

Chuck also revealed his current focus: restoring one of Kettering's original renewable wind energy experiments. He continues to write manuscripts and develop digital exhibits based on decades of research. One highlight is his revitalization proposal for Paul Laurence Dunbar's Oak & Ivy Park, which he mentioned in his talk, "PLD's Oak & Ivy Park: A Vision."



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We also welcomed *Laura Carlson*, Director of the Kettering Democracy Prize at the Charles F. Kettering Foundation. She introduced the foundation's mission to strengthen democracy worldwide and shared news about the inaugural Democracy Prize, set for November 2025. Honorees include racial justice advocate Judith Browne Dianis and, posthumously, Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny, both recognized for their courage and commitment to democratic values.

Ask ChatGPT



IN-PERSON LUNCH MEETING Put our monthly lunch meetings (the third Wednesday of every month) on your Calendar and listen to speakers who can bring informative material to share with your membership. **Join us on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, from 11:30a.m.-1:00p.m. at The Dayton Woman's Club 225 N. Ludlow St., Dayton, Ohio 45402.**

Look for our "Evite" Invitation to learn more about this month's meeting.

Thank you for all you do to make Dayton stronger through service and leadership. Let's keep the momentum going!

Serving Those Who Serve

Pray for Peace,

Veronica Bedell-Nevels

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Information of Events from our Clubs and Community

Please pass these newsletters on to your members because this information should be distributed to support our member organizations like yours, we all do excellent work in this community and the work we do needs to be acknowledged for others to see and promote growth for our service member organizations. Do not hesitate to send your fundraising information and events to us to publish. Our website is very professional, and our member organizations should verify the information accurately.

Here is the Membership Application for your organization to download and submit with update information for 2025-2026 [pcod_application_2025.pdf \(presidentsclubdayton.org\)](https://www.presidentsclubdayton.org/pcod_application_2025.pdf)

Value of Membership in The Presidents Club of Dayton

The Presidents Club of Dayton is a Non-Profit organization that accomplishes many things in our community and with your help can do more:

We are providing paid members (**only \$100 annual membership fee**) free use of our Zoom Account for meetings with no time limit. Just schedule your meeting through Tony Massoud via presidentsclubdayton@aol.com to make sure the time you want is available. We will provide assistance for you to log on and use.

We are co-sponsors for the Bob Chiles Golf Outing, The Presidents Club of Dayton with Miami Valley Military Affairs Association since 1990 has donated over \$171,000 to the Fisher houses & over \$19,000 to First Sergeant's Association at WPAB. Next year's event is May 9th.

Our Citizen Legion of Honor Award is one of the most Prestigious Volunteer Awards in our community. We announced the 5th Scholarship, The Anthony (Tony) Massoud Scholarship and donated to Sinclair College for the 5 Scholarships, each received \$2500. Our current endowment for the 5 Scholarships is self-sustaining to help maintain higher education for worthy students in our area who achieve high scholastics and volunteerism. The Presidents Club has raised over \$400,000 for Sinclair Scholarships because organizations like yours over the years with their \$100 membership fee, and fund-raising support have helped raise these monies.

The Presidents Club's Citizen Legion of Honor Award's Program Booklet listed each Club/Organization Presidents Club Member. Annual Membership Dues for 25-26 will be sent in November. Your organization will have a page in the Presidents Club Website. This is a great tool for promoting your organization to prospective members. Your organization's contact information and website link plus any marketing materials can be included on this website. Our webmaster does all the work that you submit to be included.

We secure excellent speaker programs, and we share them with our members for their use. See excellent Program regarding Non-Profit Website Dayton Serves <https://youtu.be/nKWgyPPduiA>
The Presidents Club of Dayton will advertise your organization's events and fund-raising activities in our monthly newsletters as well as the Presidents Club Facebook Page.

We place your organization's name in our programs for the Outstanding Volunteer Award Ceremony and the Citizen Legion of Honor Award.

[Presidents Club, Inc. | Outstanding Club Member Breakfast](#) and Citizen Legion of Honor Award.
[Presidents Club, Inc. | Citizen Legion of Honor Award](#)
[Presidents Club Brochure](#) that provides all the activities of The Presidents Club of Dayton.



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Presidents Club Members can use Zoom Meeting Free for Paid Members

- The Presidents Club of Dayton has subscribed to Zoom for the purpose of providing our member organizations a way to conduct virtual online meetings that they can use. Your organization can schedule programs and board meetings using Zoom and it is free to our members if you reserve time ahead of others, and your membership for 2024-25 has been paid.
- Our subscription provides unlimited meetings for up to one hundred participants for each meeting. You can try this on your own, if you have any problems, contact Tony Massoud daytoncivitanclub@gmail.com or daaf.org@gmail.com or text 937-238-0595.
- A. For your organization to use Zoom, these are the appropriate steps you must take to use Zoom.
- B. Please email the details to tmassoud211@cs.com and include in the details of the meeting who the **Leader** will be with their **email address**, do you want a **password** for your participants to enter Zoom or Waiting Room or Both. Do you want your meeting **videotape**? **Tony Massoud will set up your organization's Zoom meeting for you if you need help contact Tony.**
- • Use someone who is familiar with Zoom. It is quite easy to use with a computer, laptop, smartphone, or telephone. You can share this with your organization for them to learn https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206618765-Zoom-Video-Tutorials?flash_digest=49b103a7faa18733bc195ebf5e0c2be49b6fc460
- • Using Zoom to watch a video presentation from Phoenix, Az for the Civitan Club proves that Zoom can be a useful tool for your organization. Please watch <https://youtu.be/KBRPvf3IFXg>



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Personal Message: As a volunteer of The Presidents Club of Dayton, it has been an awesome experience to put the hours into the Annual Breakfast Best Member Appreciation Award to be able to read every accolade our members write for their selected people. It really is an eyeopener to see the vast number of awesome volunteers receiving their certificates.

The PowerPoint slides that were scrolling on the screen during the event have been updated with the photo of the recipient accepting it. All the time I put into doing this brings many reasons why I will continue to do it again next year God Willing!

I asked Mike Leibold to change the input process for events for members and others to enroll in events and give the organizations the ability to make one entry and pay with a credit card or check. Just enter the names of the ticket holders and include their email and the system will send an email with their ticket.

Please purchase your Citizen Legion of Honor Award tickets now so we do not have to spend the time chasing the clubs down to support this event. As a member in good standing with the Presidents Club, each seat is \$10 less than the Public. Members tickets are \$45: [Manning & Associates CPAs, LLC - Citizen Legion of Honor Award 2025 - PCoD MEMBER TICKET](#)

The Public can buy their seats for \$55.

If you appreciate the work I'm doing, please order a Wreath Across America in the Civitan Flyer below.

Best Regards!

Tony Massoud

[Anthony Massoud | Solar and](#)

[Inducted into the 2024 Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SA0WraF51dQ&t=3s>

Renewable Energy Consultant for <http://www.supernovaenergy.solar>

<http://www.civitan.org/dayton>



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★ December 13, 2025 ★
National Wreaths Across America Day



Help the Civitan Club of Dayton honor
local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a
veteran's grave this December at Dayton National
Cemetery.

Scan the QR code to make a donation online or
visit www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/OH0388P



#ServeAndSucceed

The Civitan Club would love to help see as many veterans as possible remembered and honored **December 13, 2025**, and ask for your support to make it happen. There are more than 60,000 veterans laid to rest at Dayton National Cemetery. You can find all of their event details by visiting our website at: www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/OH0388P.



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<https://daytonwomansclub.org/>

Join us for Lunch!
– please call the office at 937-228-1124

Dare to Be: Regal Ballroom Bloom – A Night of Fashion and Power

- Saturday, August 9, 2025
- 5:00 PM 8:00 PM

Dare to Be: Regal Ballroom Bloom is an immersive fashion experience by DonDaDa Collective, celebrating storytelling, style, and self-expression at its boldest. With high-impact runway moments, industry insights, and a focus on community-centered glamour, this debut event brings together emerging talent, fashion leaders, and creatives for a night that redefines

what the runway can be. Proceeds from the evening's silent auction will support future programming at the Dayton Woman's Club.

ADVANCE TICKETS REQUIRED

Click [HERE](#) for more information on this event.

[View Event →](#)

Reservations are required two days in advance for parties of 5 or more. To make a reservation, call 937-228-1124 and leave a message.

Private lunches for groups over 20 can be scheduled any day of the week. Pre-registration required.

Our menu changes monthly – please check our website:

<https://daytonwomansclub.org/>

Brook Beeker | Favorite Chef presented by Carla Hall



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2025 MEDIA KIT



INTRODUCTION

Summerfest, presented by the Rotary Club of Dayton, is back for a fun-filled night of music and community! This summer, we're going to pack the Levitt Pavilion and close out summer with a bang.

Don't miss your chance to connect with thousands of your neighbors while supporting the great work of the Rotary Club of Dayton Foundation - sponsor Summerfest 2025! All proceeds support our Foundation, a 501(c)3 that provides grant funding to nonprofit organizations throughout the Miami Valley.

SUMMERFEST 2025

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
LEVITT PAVILION DAYTON
6:00PM – 9:30PM

2024 RECAP

2,000+ Attendees

Awarded
\$50,000 Signature Grant
to Daybreak, Inc.

Raised over \$ 5,300 for
the Rotary Club of Dayton
Foundation

25,625 pre-event social
media impressions

252 unique website visitors
on event day

Traditional, digital, and
social media exposure

featuring



Rotary Club of Dayton

The Rotary Club of Dayton is one of the largest and most active service clubs in the Miami Valley region. We strive to improve our community through service and philanthropy.

The Rotary Club of Dayton Foundation is the philanthropic arm of our club, supporting local nonprofits through grants. All proceeds from Summerfest 2025 benefit The Rotary Club of Dayton Foundation.

Visit DaytonRotary.com to learn more about our Club and Foundation.

Don't miss this FREE family-friendly event!

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Miami Valley Military History Museum
4 E. Main Street, Fairborn, OH 45322
(937) 318 - 8820
mvmhm2007@gmail.com
Hours of Operation Tuesday - Saturday
11am to 5pm

Open All Patriotic Holidays 9am to 5pm

2025 Speakers Series
2nd Saturday monthly at 2pm
Schedule Below



Celebrating 250 Years of History of Women in the Military

Women have served with, and in, the military since the Revolutionary War, although until World War I, they were many times forced to disguise their true identity. Once America entered the "War to end all wars" women were finally allowed to serve as clerks, radio operators and telephone switchboard operators. More women joined the military as nurses during this time as well. With the attack on Pearl Harbor the role of women in the military exploded, with women now flying aircraft, serving as instructors, and ultimately working on Top Secret projects such as the "Bombe" decoding machine developed and built in Dayton.

With the Korean War and Vietnam War, the role of women continued to expand to a certain degree. However, while there were women's organizations as part of the military (WACs, WAVES, and WAFs) they were not allowed to serve in combat or command men. Pregnancy was the cause for involuntary discharge.

By the end of the Vietnam War, many of these restrictions were lifted, with the exception of the ability to serve in combat roles. This was essentially a moot point as the nature of warfare began to change. From the invasion of Panama and Grenada to Operation DESERT STORM women took on leadership roles in combat, even though technically not allowed to do so.

After September 11th, virtually all restrictions for female service members were done away with. In environments where there are essentially no front lines, and dealing with insurgencies made any such restriction useless.

Throughout the past 250 years women have gone from serving in secret to leading their services as 4-star Generals and Flag Officers; their journey fraught with stereotypes, chauvinism, and at times plain ignorance. They've overcome these obstacles and shown they have always been up to the task of preserving and defending the freedoms we all enjoy today.

Written by Mark Conrad is a retired Air Force Master Sergeant and has been a military history buff for 50 years. During this time, he has contributed to a dozen military periodicals, reference books and a two volume scholarly work on the war in Europe in World War II.

The museum's 2025 Speakers Series Schedule

June 14th	Mark Conrad, MSGT, USAF Retired	"250 Years of Women in Military Service"
July 12th	Dan Kirkpatrick, Colonel, USAF, Retired	"Kuwait"
Aug 9th	Adnan Secic	"The American Allied Veterans & Supporters"
Sept 13th	Bob Potts, Captain, USAF, Retired	"Shenandoah"
Oct 8th	National Park Ranger Roger Osior	"Wright Brothers"
Nov 15th	Thom Guthrie, Lieutenant Colonel, USAF, Retired	"Protocol in the Air Force"
Dec 13th	a Chaplain from WPAFB	"Christmas in the Military"

I'm Cathy Beers-Conrad, Public Affairs/Community Relations with the Museum & volunteer as Hospice, twice a week, on the Dayton VA. A couple of weeks ago the museum was able to provide a family with a dress uniform for burial, his medals, hat and gloves. This is the 11th vet in 7 years that we've been able to provide a uniform and/or medals for burial. This is one of the many free services we provide.



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Civitan Club of Dayton's 13th Annual

CHEESE QUACKERS

presented by **URS & Civitan** *Party*

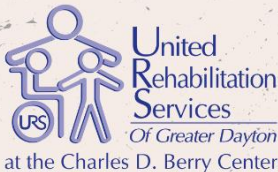


WHERE: Elks Lodge, 2801 Old Troy Pike, Dayton, OH 45404,

WHEN: Thu Aug 21, 2025 6pm - 8pm

HOSTED BY: Civitan Club of Dayton

RSVP TO TONY MASSOUD BY AUGUST 9th
AT 937-238-0595 OR DAYTONCIVITANCLUB@GMAIL.COM



TO ATTEND THIS PARTY, PURCHASE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING
DUCK PACKAGES, FROM THE CIVITAN CLUB OF DAYTON!

\$25 QUACK PACK (6 DUCKS IN THE RACE)

- COMPLIMENTARY FOOD
- COUPON FOR 1 FREE JERSEY MIKE'S SUB

\$50 QUACK PACK (13 DUCKS IN THE RACE)

- COMPLIMENTARY FOOD
- DRINK TICKET FOR BEER OR WINE
- COUPON FOR 2 FREE JERSEY MIKE'S SUB

**SCAN
ME!**



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This event supports the
22nd Annual United Rehabilitation Services (URS)
Rubber Duck Regatta Presented by AES Ohio
At RiverScape MetroPark
Saturday September 20, 2025 at 4:30pm