



The Presidents Club

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Presidents Message

The Dayton Arcade



Our Wednesday, February 21, 2024, meeting will be a 45-minute tour of the historic/renovated Dayton Arcade. The Arcade was first built in 1902 and was an important asset to the Dayton community. It served as a hub for shopping, dining, and entertainment. It was known for its distinctive architectural style, featuring elements of Beaux-Arts and Romanesque Revival design.

After years of disrepair, The Dayton Arcade has been renovated and comprises a series of interconnected buildings and has been transformed into a mixed-use development, combining residential spaces, offices, retail establishments, and community spaces. The Arcade management is making an exception and providing The Presidents Club of Dayton a tour of this magnificent Dayton Gem.

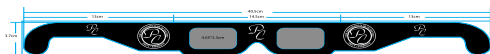
We will eat lunch at "Gather" restaurant at 37 W. 4th St, Dayton, Ohio 45402. Not to be rushed, please enjoy a meal around 11:00 a.m. Our tour will begin in the Arcade at 12:15 p.m. Please RSVP when you receive your EVITE, call me to confirm your attendance. NOTE: Gather restaurant is between N. Main St. and Ludlow St. on 4th St.



PARKING METERS Parking meters surround the Arcade block and are enforced from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. They are free overnight on weeknights and all weekend. **PARKING GARAGES** There are numerous parking garages within walking distance of the Arcade with varying prices based on the length of time parked in the garage.

In Case You Missed It..... Last month we had a delightful conversation with Dr. David Wright from the University of Dayton about the April 8, Ohio's Total Solar Eclipse2024. We learned so much about what to expect, and how to prepare for this once in a lifetime event. Listen to our outstanding meeting that has prepared us for this exciting event. **Click on Link to enjoy Dr. Wright's discussion:**

<https://youtu.be/ct-Ldal-XHY>



Presidents Club of Dayton Solar Eclipse Glasses \$2.00 each. Order yours today through your club. Your President or Point Person should email: president@presidentsclubdayton.org with your club's name, contact person, and how many glasses you would like to purchase. Do not forget the telephone number.



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Celebrate Black History Month, open your hearts and minds to the essential contributions that African slaves and their descendants made in making America the great country it is today. With my career in Real Estate and my husband a home builder, I would like to introduce you to Mr. Paul Williams (1894-1980), a prominent American architect who designed homes, and commercial buildings in Los Angeles, Arizona, Las Vegas, Palm Springs, New York, Washington D.C., and Tennessee. Williams is an example of what perseverance against all odds can do. He and his brother were orphaned when he was 4 years old. Many unproven stories of who raised the two brothers are unfounded. However, someone encouraged Paul Williams' love of art.



Paul Williams was known for his significant contributions to architecture, especially during the mid-20th century. He gained recognition for his work in designing luxurious homes for celebrities, including many in Hollywood specifically, Frank Sinatra, Lucille Ball. Notably, Williams was one of the few African American architects practicing during the era of racial segregation in the United States.

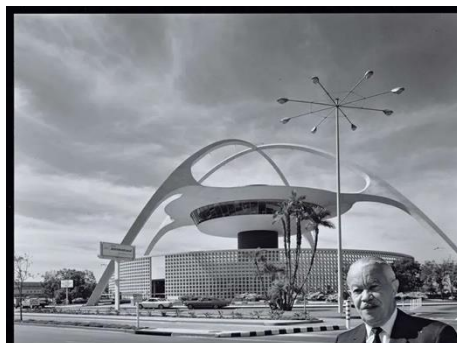
Some of his famous projects include the iconic Theme Building at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), the first building at the airport designed for a specific purpose rather than as a terminal. The building that I frequented in Los Angeles that he designed is Saks Fifth Ave. on Wilshire Blvd. in Beverly Hills. Williams also designed numerous elegant residences, commercial buildings, and public institutions. His architectural style ranged from traditional to modern, and he was skilled in adapting his designs to the preferences of his clients.

Throughout his career, Paul Williams faced challenges due to racial discrimination, yet he persevered and left an indelible mark on American architecture. He graduated from USC in 1919, received his architectural license in 1921, started his own practice in 1922. He became the first African American member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) in 1923 and later served as its national president. His legacy continues to be celebrated for his talent, innovation, and trailblazing achievements in the field of architecture.

Click on the Link and watch Frank Sinatra take you through a tour of his home: <https://youtu.be/vhsVVGZ5S2c>



Frank Sinatra Home designed by Architect Paul Williams.



The theme building designed by Architect Paul Williams at LAX (Los Angeles International Airport).



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- Bob Chiles Golf Outing • May 10, 2024, • Beaver Creek Country Club
- Outstanding Community Volunteer Breakfast • May 9, 2024, • Presidential Banquet Center
- Citizen Legion of Honor • Thursday, October 3, 2024, • Dayton Convention Center

This Month's Meeting is Wednesday, February 21, 2024,

IN-PERSON LUNCH MEETING at THE DAYTON ARCADE: Put our monthly lunch meeting



(the third Wednesday of every month) on your Calendar and listen to speakers who can bring informative material to share with your membership. **We will eat at 11:00, the Arcade tour begins at 12:15 p.m. and ends promptly at 1:00 p.m. "Gather" restaurant, 37 W. 4th St, Dayton, Ohio 45402.**

Subscribe to our monthly newsletter and submit any flyers and information you would like to share in the newsletter to Tony Massoud before the first of every month. Email Tony at: presidentsclubdayton@aol.com

Use our website to register your events and update your organization's information on our Calendar. We offer members the use of our Zoom account for virtual meetings also. Go to: www.presidentsclubdayton.org.

Your organization can join the President's Club of Dayton on our website; also, applications are there: www.presidentsclubdayton.org

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 works 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 2023-2024 [pccod_application_2023.pdf \(presidentsclubdayton.org\)](https://presidentsclubdayton.org/pccod_application_2023.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. This year's event brochure is May 10thth.

Our Citizen Legion of Honor Award is one of the most Prestigious Volunteer Awards in our community. We are donating four scholarships a year to Sinclair College each at \$3000 a year. Our current endowment for the four 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 raised these monies.

May 9, 2024, The Breakfast Award Banquet Event is scheduled at the Presidential Banquet Center, and your organization can honor up to two persons to be appreciated at this banquet. Each Member Organization receives two free breakfast coupons.

Each member organization can nominate someone for the Citizen of Legion Honor Award to be held October 4, 2024, at the Dayton Convention Center. Each member organization will receive a nomination form to select someone and the

The deadline to submit this nomination is April 31, 2024, so get your dues paid for 2023 – 2024 and submit your organization's nomination when you receive the form. Banquet tickets for our members are priced \$10 lower than nonmembers and your organization is honored in the Citizen Legion of Honor Annual brochure.

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 try to 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>



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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.

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 2022-23 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.

• • For your organization to use Zoom, these are the appropriate steps you must take to use Zoom

• • 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 **videotaped**? **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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The Civitan Club would love to help see as many veterans as possible remembered and honored **December 14, 2024**, and ask for your support to make it happen. There are 60,000 veterans laid to rest at Dayton National Cemetery. You can find all of their event details by visiting our website at: www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/OH0388P and scrolling down for all the information including ordering you wreath(s). Each Club should consider ordering 5 Wreaths.



★ **December 14, 2024** ★

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.wreathsacrossamerica.org/OH0388P



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The **Air & Space Forces Association, Wright Memorial Chapter** event in February...

“Networking Luncheon and Guest Speaker

AFA’s Wright Memorial Chapter is proud to host Mr. David Tillotson (SES), Director of the National Museum of the United States Air Force (NMUSAF) as our guest speaker. Mr. Tillotson will discuss both Air Force heritage, as well as future plans and objectives for the NMUSAF.

Luncheon Details:

Date: 14 Feb 2024 @ 1130

Place: Pentagon Towers, 3500 Pentagon Blvd, Beavercreek, OH 45431

Luncheon Cost: \$25

Please register at the following link: <https://www.afadaytonwright.org/events/february-2024-networking-luncheon>”



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Miami Valley Military History Museum's 3rd Annual Military History Muster May 25th - 26th, 9AM to 5PM



**Reenactors - Living Historians - Lineage Groups -
Veterans Service Organizations - Military
Weapons and Equipment Displays - Military
Vehicles - 4 Freedom Equestrian Team**

FREE ADMISSION AND PARKING!

**Location: "CALAMITYVILLE"
506 E. Xenia Drive, Fairborn, OH 45324**

**Information: Miami Valley Military History Museum
(937) 318-8820**



The easy way to visit our website.



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The Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. (FNHI) is a 501(c)3 non-profit that supports the guests and operations of the three Greater Dayton-area Fisher Houses. The houses are compassionate care facilities that offer active military, Veterans, and their families housing at no cost during times of medical treatment. Some come for a day, some for a year, some return often for treatment for ongoing issues such as cancer care. The houses are fully stocked with everything that is needed, so the patients and families can focus on one thing, which is healing. We pride ourselves on being a "home away from home" that is tranquil. Community is also often built between the families in the houses as they can relate to others facing similar challenges, and life-long bonds have been forged as a result.

A gift to FNHI directly benefits the guests of our houses. We are proud of our 4-star rating with Charity Navigator, which is an organization that monitors and rates non-profits and their stewardship of donations. FNHI has earned and enjoys the top rating year over year.

There are many ways to support the Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. We have volunteers that engage in many ways, from helping with fundraising events to operating our popcorn machine in the lobby of the Wright-Patterson AFB Medical Center. Monetary donations can be mailed to PO Box 33871, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433; or donated on-line at www.fnhi.org; or presenting a check in-person. We love to give tours of our houses, so if you want to schedule a tour, simply contact Executive Director, Dr. Kimberly Luse at KLuse@fnhi.org, or 513-544-9408. Throughout the year, many local organizations also raise funds for FNHI through events such as golf outings, so you can get engaged there!

Save the Date! Our gala "Compassionate Care Heals" will be held on Saturday, May 18th, 6pm at Sinclair Conference Center. We will enjoy an engaging program, wonderful food, and fellowship as well as a silent and live auction. Dan Edwards will be the Master of Ceremonies and Doug Sorrell will serve as the auctioneer. There is more information on the website. Registration will open after the New Year.

Please consider getting engaged with Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. We serve those who have served us all.

Best of luck with your upcoming surgery. Have a blessed holiday season. Kimberly

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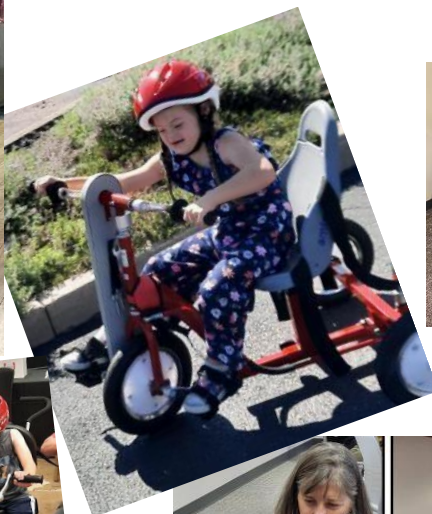
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January was very exciting for Greenebucs in Beavercreek! On January 27, the group spent the day building seven therapeutic tricycles and giving them away to very deserving children. It is always a joyful event to see the excitement when children receive the first bike that they can ride.

Each bike is built to fit each child and their abilities with adaptations that allow them to build on their abilities. The bikes will help the children develop their abilities and also allow them to join other children socially.

Thanks todonors.

Greenebucs has had a fantastic 2023 giving therapeutic trykes to children and veterans!



help uscontinuein 2024:
<https://greenebucs.org/donations/>