

"Broken Arrow Rotary: community engaged, committed and making a difference"



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## BROKEN ARROW ROTARY BOARD 2020-2021

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## **CLUB DIRECTORS:**

Club Service Projects	Roy Wood
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## **BA FOUNDATION BOARD:**

President	Janie Green
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Past President	Lisa Ford
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Past President	Michael Skates

## CALENDAR

We meet both in-person at Stoney Creek Hotel breakfast room and online via Zoom. Meetings are announced in a weekly email with the Zoom link and RSVP for those wishing to have lunch in person.

## 2021

- 5/20 Joy in the Cause on-site work day at 6 pm
- 5/24 Lloyd Dawes, BA Rotary Scholarship Grants
- 5/31 No Meeting, Memorial Day
- 6/7 Jamie Miller, The Demand Project
- 6/10 Social at the Drillers. \$23 Dinner included.
- 6/14 BA Neighbors on-site service project
- 6/21 Change of Horse at BAPAC on the stage
- 6/28 Offsite lunch social
- 7/5 Holiday. No meeting



# Paul Harris Fellow Awards on 4/19.

During our 4/19 meeting we had several of our members receive their Paul Harris Fellow awards or multiple awards.

Our club receives matching funds every year for our projects from the Rotary Foundation, so part of your donation to the Foundation comes back for our work here in BA. We encourage every Rotarian to give some amount to the Foundation every year. Those who give at least \$100 are considered Sustaining Members, and those who give \$1,000 are awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship (PHF). The easiest way to become a PHF is to donate \$83.34 each month through Rotary Direct. Designating the Rotary Foundation in your will or trust is recognized by the Benefactor award (giving to the Endowment Fund) or Bequest Society (pledging at least \$10,000 to the Foundation)."

Thank you Stan for being our Foundation Chair and ensuring we get all the grants we deserve.



Galen Engel became a member of the Bequest Society.





Roy and Becky Wood along with Eric Vandenburg received their Paul Harris Fellow awards on 4/19.





Bruce Schutte, Jeff Steen and Dan Adams donated a total of \$3,000 for a Paul Harris Plus 2 (PH +2). The pin awarded has two sapphires to signify this level.

Several other members also received awards but were not present to receive pins. These were Jim Beavers, PH+3 and Terry Cupp, PH+1.

## 3/29, Melissa Leedy

Mental Health is a serious topic in a time of crisis. The pandemic has prevented so many people from getting the help they need, and Melissa, owner of Legacy Counseling Service provides safe and judgment-free guidance to help.



#### 4/5 Easter, no meeting

#### 4/12 **Club Assembly**

Lisa Engel and Roy Wood presented updates on the status of our club. Janie Green's Outdoor Board Membership project was presented and received enough member support to begin creation of board design and start 5/1. See page 4 for more details.

#### 4/19 Adam Foreman

Adam became the spokesperson for Broken Arrow Public Schools when the pandemic was causing pandemonium. His communication included daily, even hourly, decisions about closings and dismissals due to the levels of Covid 19 infections as they occurred.

Paul Harris awards were also presented. See story on page one.



## 4/26 Four-Way Test Speech Contest

Our winner Abigail Gray is on the left here. She is a returning competitor and gave a very compelling speech. She was awarded \$150. Jaleigh Thayer, the other contestant earned \$75 for her presentation to our club.



#### 5/1 **District Conference Zoom**

Several of our club members attended and contributed to the District Conference. We look forward to the in-person Conference scheduled for this Fall.

#### 5/3 **Mike Guillen**

The club meeting tested out Shiloh's restaurant. Club members in attendance were inspired by hearing about his Race Across America to help raise awareness for suicide prevention. Co-sponsored by other suicide prevention organizations, including "Hope is Oxgen" in Tulsa, this intrepid cycling team is training to ride in shifts around the clock from the West to East Coast in 7 days.



#### 5/6 Rotary After Hours—Rooster Eqg Winners

Thursday evening After Hours meetings resumed in person. We were pleased to present Egg Hunt winners with their prize, and donate the painted Egg to the Museum.

See photos on page 3.



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#### 5/10 **Kristin Henness**

As Executive Director of Learning at RPHS, the statistics Kristin nresented about the annual "Summer Slide" was sobering. This year with the days missed, distance learning and absences, the slide in knowledae is extreme. She is



promoting that students continue some online contact via "Maintain the Brain." This program is already familiar to students and with a little fun activity, the summer slide won't be as steep, or even reversed! There are also programs to help high schoolers regain credits lost.

### 5/14 **Rotary District Social at Broken Arrow Brewery**

A few of our members enjoyed spending time together in person and in a social environment. 20 Rotarians joined to help attract new and young members. Lisa Engel reported that we have a good prospective member whom she spoke with there.

### 5/17 Lisa DeSpain

Rotary International has formed a partnership with Toastmasters, and Lisa provided information about how to access helpful programs to hone speaking talent and develop leadership. That is exactly what many Rotarians need in order to lead successfully.





Have you wanted to attend a Rotary International Convention, but found the travel costs prohibitive? That won't be a problem this year, as the RI annual event will again be conducted virtually.

Originally planned for Taipei, Taiwan, the decision to present the Convention as a virtual event was made by the Rotary Board of Directors, to protect the health of everyone involved. It will be held June 12 thru 16, 2021. The Virtual Convention will be open to all Rotary members and participants. Event registration opened in mid-April and attendance fee is \$65.



**Register for:** 

2021-2022 District Conference at Inn of the Ozarks Saturday September 18, 2021 08:00 AM - 09:00 PM

## Jerry Stevenson died on March 18.

Although he could not maintain his membership in our club after May of 2019, he had been a member since 1991 and actively supported our all of fundraisers and activities.



Those who worked alongside him will remember his dedication and friendly disposition.

Rest in Peace Jerry. You left the world a better place for your being here.

## **Rooster Egg Hunt Winners Awarded** Their Prize on 5/6 at After Hours.

The Rotary Rooster Egg Hunt lasted almost a full week. Our premier sponsor, Arrow Exterminators, were given an exclusive clue to post on Saturday, and it was enough for Joel and Janae Miller to figure out where to look. I was delighted to get the text following the instructions with the Egg, and when I called to talk further, it just got better. Janae said she has been an annual Egg hunter since she was eight and hunted with her father. This was the first find for both of the Millers and their young daughters enjoyed posing with the Egg.

At our May 6th meeting they were given the \$1000 check and the beautiful Egg was donated to the Museum. Thank you Becky Wood for taking the time and using your talent to produce a splendid work of art. She packaged it carefully to keep it safe until if found its way to

join the previous eggs in the Museum Broken Arrow.





Exterminators for continuing as our Bonus Sponsor and look forward to their sponsorship again in 2022. Board members of the Museum

attended the meeting to receive the Egg for their collection. Shown below are Ina Dilldine, Janie Green the Egg Hunt Chair, Julie Brown and Jan Collins.





# BA Rotary Outdoor Board Project for May 2021.



The proposal that Gordon Outdoor provided for our club to promote itself via his local digital boards was supported by enough club members to proceed. These 10 boards are all alternating once every two minutes. The location is on 71st at the BA Expressway exit, which is in the Collision Works parking lot. There is quite a bit of traffic there and long traffic lights leaving a lot of time for observing the images that come up. I have been waiting at that spot five times so far and have seen one of the boards four of those times. Not bad!

The design concept is to show the public who we are by using images of Rotarians in Action. There are so many activities that could not be included, we could do another unique set of boards in the future if members agree to support it. Thank you to the 10 who each spent the \$75 for their board to make this happen all May in BA. Several just agreed to support a board without wanting any credit, but the business sponsorship message on the bottom does show the diversity of our membership.

Please take note anytime you are at that location to see if one of these signs appears, and if anyone else mentions that they've seen one, note that also. I'd like to present a count of viewings to the club in June, so send that info to me.





Each of the above signs features Rotarians and sometimes includes their families. Action images are used to show us as People of Action, and are inviting viewers to check us out to learn more. The bottom one in the second column is not a Rotary Project, but Rotarian Ethan Brown is an advocate of the non-profit pictured and that shows that our community support extends beyond Rotary.