

Birthdays

Gina Scarpetta
December 20th
Richard J. O'Neill
December 28th
Randall L Summit
December 29th
Jeff Taylor
December 29th
John S Petersen
December 31st
Bradley Uken
January 8th
Jon Salvani
January 9th
Amanda Borden
January 11th
Tracy Wahlfeldt
January 16th

Wedding Anniversaries

Carl Burkybile
December 21st

Events

December 21st
[Holiday Celebration](#)
January 11th
[Game-Based Learning](#)

January 4th
[State of Illinois, Sixth Judicial Circuit](#)

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December 21, 2020: Holiday Party

Join us for our annual Champaign Rotary holiday celebration. Please let **Marlys Scarbrough** know by December 20 if you plan to participate in the holiday sweater and tie contest. A special North Pole guest will read a children's book to conclude the festivities!

NOTE: This meeting will be conducted online, via [Zoom](#).



Santa Claus, Source: [Twitter](#)

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Friday, December 18, 2020

The annual Rotary Club of Champaign Salvation Army bell ringing on December 12 was a great success, despite the challenges posed by this year's pandemic. All 9 locations staffed by Champaign Rotary were filled thanks to the tremendous support of Rotarians and their families. The donation total has not yet been finalized, but **Major Randall Summit** estimated that the collective effort of all area Rotary Clubs yielded at least \$29,300, which included \$27,300 in cash and checks and a \$2000 special donation. Coins are still being counted, which should put the total at or above \$30,000. Thank

you to everyone who participated!

Check Presentation: October Cup

Friday, December 18, 2020

Hollie Thompson announced a check from our October Cup Collection, awarded to [Prairie Dragon Paddlers](#). The organization uses the sport of dragon boat paddling to support and encourage breast cancer survivors. Vanessa Faurie (pictured) accepted on behalf of the organization. The funds will support a partnership with Christie Clinic to develop content for on-line and in-person resources for the education and self-empowerment of those undergoing diagnosis and treatment.



Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

Friday, December 18, 2020

Several members who recently attained [Paul Harris Fellowship](#) and "plus" milestones in giving were recognized. Paul Harris Fellows have made cumulative donations of at least \$1000 to the [Rotary Foundation](#). Fellowship may also be achieved through a combination of giving and matching points, and Rotarians may designate their points to be awarded to another individual such as a fellow Rotarian, family member, or friend.

- **Carol Timms** was recognized by **Janet Ellis-Nelson**, who donated 600 of her points to the effort.
- **Ken Buel** recognized **Gina Scarpetta** for attaining Paul Harris Fellowship +1 (for \$2000 in cumulative donations), as well as the following:
- **Chet Alwes** for Paul Harris Fellowship +3
- **Lott Thomas** for Paul Harris Fellowship +5

Congratulations and thank you all for your generosity!

Football Guessing Update

Friday, December 18, 2020

Another season of football guessing is in the books, as **Joe DeLuce** projects that the club will finish in 4th or 5th place when all the dust settles. That is not last! **Katie Walker** was best among Champaign Rotarians across the entire season with 51 total correct picks. She had to hold off a late charge by **Scott Burge** who made a final-week high of 9 picks to finish with 50 on the year. The always competitive **Connie Walsh** also made 9 correct picks to tie Scott for the best of the final week.

Upcoming Chat & Chew Events

Rebecca Ries and **Shandra Summerville** are planning a few upcoming Chat & Chew events for the New Year. Please save these dates! More details will follow.

- Monday, January 25
- Tuesday, February 23
- Monday, March 22

Announcements

By Tim Born on Friday, December 18, 2020

DECEMBER ♦PAY FOR LUNCH♦ FOR THE ROUND BARN BANQUET CENTER

Many people are ordering take-out meals from local restaurants to help support them during these difficult times. Our usual lunch meeting venue, the Round Barn Banquet Center, is not equipped for carry-out service to help it stay afloat, and we will not be meeting for lunch in the coming weeks.

As a special holiday gift, please consider supporting the Round Barn and Phil Katsinas by clicking the **Pay for Lunch** link on our club website (champaignrotary.org) and ♦buy♦ one or more lunches. Lunch payments received through December 21st will be sent to Phil as a holiday gift from Champaign Rotary. If you would like to give but do not want to do it online, you may make out a check to Champaign Rotary with ♦Round Barn♦ in the memo line and mail it to Todd Salen (1222 Lancaster Drive, Champaign, IL 61821) before Dec. 21st.



SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

In addition to ringing bells for the Salvation Army on December 12th, please consider making your own generous donation to the organization. Since we will not be able to collect checks at a club meeting this year, you can put ♦Champaign Rotary♦ in the memo line of your check and submit it in one of these ways:

1. Put your check in the red kettle during your bell-ringing shift.
2. Mail your check to: The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 618, Champaign, IL 61824.

Drop your check off in person at: 2212 N. Market Street, Champaign, IL 61822.



2020-21 MATCH POINTS CAMPAIGN

Our Rotary District 6490 is doing a Points Match on all contributions of \$100 or more to the Annual Fund or Polio Plus during the months of December and January. The Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) recognition points you receive from the contribution will be matched, moving you up the PHF levels quicker. If you wish to contribute, either write a check to The Rotary Foundation and fill out the attached form, send it and the check to Mike Hirschi at the address on the form at the link below, OR, go to rotary.org, click on Donate, log in, and donate with your credit card. Fill out the attached form, and when you get the confirmation email, send it to Mike Hirschi along with

the form. Either way, you will be "doing good" in the world.

If you currently give via Rotary Direct and the contributions during the campaign are at least \$100 and you give to the Annual Fund or Polio Plus, those points will be matched as well.

If you wish to contribute and participate, [use this form to claim your points](#). Either way, you will be "doing good" in the world.

If you have any questions, or need to know your RotaryID, just email michaelchirschi@gmail.com and let me know how I may help.

Mike Hirschi, Foundation Chair & Past-President
Champaign West Rotary Club
Assistant Governor (Area 6) and Foundation Committee



HOLIDAY MEETING ON DECEMBER 21ST

Although our holiday meeting will be virtual this year, we are planning some fun activities, special music, and contests. You can help to make the meeting extra festive by:

1. Sending a few photos of your own holiday decorations for a slide show.
2. Participate in the ♦Best Holiday Attire♦ contest on December 21st. If you wish to participate, submit your name in advance so it can be included in the Zoom Poll that will be created for club voting. Those participating will have a moment to show off their attire on the video call before we vote for a winner.

If you want to participate in the Holiday Attire contest, notify Marlys Scarbrough (scarbrou@illinois.edu) by December 20th.

Charity Cup & Happy Bucks giving available on our website

In addition to paying for in-person lunch meetings and donating to Happy Bucks, you can now donate to our monthly Cup recipient online. Go to champaignrotary.org and scroll down to the payment links. Thanks to member **Edward Delaporte** for making these payment links possible.

You may wish to consider making several months of Charity Cup or Happy Bucks donations at a time. Our club pays Charity Cup organizations a minimum of \$300, even if we do not collect that much.

Duty Roster

	December 21, 2020	December 28, 2020
Introducer	TBD	No Meeting
Invocator	Esther Ngumbi	