Rotary



Club of Greenfield

Club Meeting

Greenfield Meets at Costa's Grill 1020 W Main St.(US40) Greenfield, IN 46140 Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

Key Statistics

Active Members = 69 R85 Active Members = 18 Active LOA Members = 3 Honorary Members = 12 Proposed Members = 0 Paul Harris Fellows = 80 Active Female Members = 36% Active Male Members = 64% Members < 60 = 39% Members > 60 = 41% Age Unknown = 20%

Rotary Foundation Goals

Participation: "Every Rotarian, Every Year" Requested Average Giving/Member = \$160 Minimum Requested Giving/Member = \$26.50

Board Meeting

Rotary Board Meets 2nd Wednesday/Every Month Bamboo Garden Restaurant Noon

Win 500 Foundation Points

Don't forget; the Rotarian who sponsors the best program and speaker during this Rotary Year will win 500 Foundation Points toward their Paul Harris Fellow.

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Highlights from the August 6, 2020 Club Meeting

By David Anders on Friday, August 7, 2020



Opening of the Meeting:

Ginny Brown opened the meeting with the Pledge, followed by Ron Anderson with the Prayer and Kirk Jocham with the Four Way Test.

50/50 tickets were not sold at this meeting. Jim Greig, however, conducted Happy Bucks Approximately 35 Rotarians were present, in person, for this week s meeting. This does not include those attending via Zoom.

Announcements:

- Kirk reminded all members that we have reset and reinstated the attendance policy for the new year. We will however count attendance via zoom for those of you who are still observing social distancing.
- Brian Lott is organizing this year s Fill A Truck- Fill A Pantry food drive. It will be held on Saturday, September 12th in the Walmart Parking lot. Please save the date and plan to volunteer to work a shift that day. Brian will be circulating sign-up sheets. We are being limited as to what events and fundraisers we can conduct with the pandemic still active, so please do not miss the opportunity to serve our community.
- A reminder that if we collect \$1,500 in Happy Bucks during the month of August for the Scholarship Supplemental Fund, two anonymous Rotarians will then contribute \$1,000 each to this cause. We need every club member to contribute \$20 in August to Happy Bucks for us to hit our goal. If you cannot make the meeting, in person, then send Stacey Wixson a check in the mail, before month end, with a memo entry of Scholarship Fund. Mail your checks payable to the Rotary Club of Greenfield to:

Stacey Wixson Rotary Club of Greenfield P.O. Box One Greenfield, IN 46140

- Stacey reminded members who have not paid their July1, 2020 semi-annual dues of \$140.50 to do so, ASAP. Rick Walker is threatening to post names, prior to him conducting a Burning at the Stake Ceremony for those members.
- A small group of Rotarians spread mulch, pulled a few dead bushes and weeded the
 Rotary Art Park. Ellen Kuker has arranged for a water pump to be installed at the park, if
 we wish to water plants and bushes. We will be scheduling a service day in the Fall to
 weed and plant some hearty, drought resistant perenials. Please consider splitting some of
 your plants and donating them to our art park, in the fall.

Program:

Reverend Dave Scifres sponsored this week s speaker, Dave Spenser. Dave is a member of Kiwanis, a community leader serving on several boards. Most importantly Dave is the father of

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Events

August 13th
Greenfield Weekly Club
Meeting- S. Cobb Program
Sponsor
August 20th
Greenfield Weekly Club
Meeting- J. Thomson
Program Sponsor
August 27th
Greenfield Weekly Club
Meeting- R. Torok
Program Sponsor
September 3rd
Greenfield Weekly Club
Meeting- Program Sponsor
TBA

Years of Service

Joseph T. Duffy 08-25-1983 37 Years R. Aaron Greenwalt 08-21-2014 6 Years Barbara Anders 08-06-2015 5 Years Keely Butrum 08-08-2019 1 Year Jacob Kotter 08-29-2019 1 Year

Birthdays

John P. Senger August 11th Sara Joyner August 15th Karen A. Willits August 24th Gregory Brewer August 28th Jarrod Beeson August 29th

Club Leaders



<u>Kirk Jocham</u> President



Rob Caird President-Elect Rotary Foundation Chair



Monica Price Kowaleski Vice President

Emily Schenk

Avery Spenser, this, and next year s Riley Festival Queen.

Dave is a graduate of Greenfield Central High School and Purdue University. He is the Director of Marketing for Nine Star Connect.

Dave spoke to us, in his capacity as Chairman of the Vawter Society Statue Campaign. Dave and his committee raised \$70,000 to commission a statue of Will Vawter, the famous artist and illustrator from Greenfield.

Will Vawter was an American Landscape artist, known for his Broad strokes and impressionist style. Vawter was also an illustrator for several national magazines and the Indianapolis Sentinel. Vawter and his family moved to Greenfield when Will was 6 years old. While living in Greenfield, Vawter developed a friendship and professional relationship with James Whitcomb Riley. Will illustrated eleven volumes of James Witcomb Riley poems. Vawter was married to Mary Vawter an accomplished poet and landscape artist but divorced in 1923. Will decided to move to Nashville, Indiana and join the Brown County Art Colony. In 1925, 1926, 1928, 1930,1932 and 1935 Will won prizes while exhibiting at the Hoosier Salon and Brown County Art Gallery.

Vawter developed pneumonia and passed in 1941. He is buried in Greenfield, Indiana♦s Park Cemetery.

The Vawter Statue Campaign Committee have commissioned Bill Wolfe(creator of the bronze statue of James Whitcomb Riley) to create a bronze statue of Will Vawter at his easel painting a picture of someone sitting on a park bench (see above photo). This will be an interactive piece of art where the canvas will be open, giving the illusion that Vawter is painting those individuals sitting on a bronze park bench.

This statue will be part of the Greenfield Literary Trail and be in the new Depot Street Park near Riley street and across from the Rotary Art Park. Dedication is planned for April 2021.

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Save the date of **Saturday**, **September 12th** to volunteer for the Fill A Truck- Fill A Pantry food drive. See brian Lott for details and to sign up to volunteer.



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R. Aaron Greenwalt iPast President