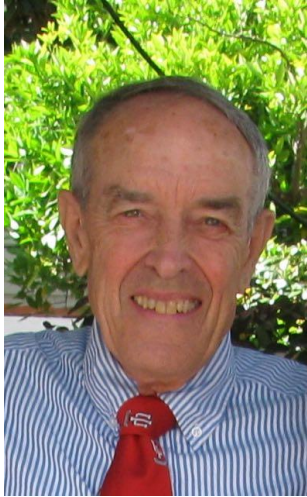


## Roundabout September 22, 2020

### Next week's program



Ben Brabson, IU Emeritus Professor of Physics, will speak to us about “Showers, Bananas, and Climate Change.” Ben received his BA in Physics from Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., and his Ph.D. from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Besides teaching at Indiana University, Ben has held a number of research positions including an NSF Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Istituto di Fisica in Padua, Italy, and research fellowships at the European Center for Nuclear Research, at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, and at the Climatic Research Unit at the University of East Anglia in the U.K.

We will meet by Zoom on Tuesday, Sept. 29. Join us at 11:45 for a visit in a breakout room before the program starts about noon.

### This week's news

Cindy Neidhart Newest Rotarian



**Dave Meyer** inducted Cynthia Neidhart, his spouse, as our newest member. Cynthia has been volunteering in various places since she was in middle school. She was honored this year with a Bloomington Be More Award for her work with the Bloomington Thrift Shop, run by Psi Iota Xi. Cindy graduated from IU with a double major in journalism and English. She has worked in

jobs from teaching to managing stores. She ended her career at the IU Admissions Office as a career counselor for 14 years, and she completed her master's degree in Library and Information Science during those years. She is a lifelong learner and looks forward to continuing her public service through Rotary. Welcome, Cindy!

### **Come to the Stadium Sunday at 5 p.m.**

Because we want this year's Rotary Toast to be the best ever, we urge all Paul Harris Fellows and spouses to participate in the "Rotary Drone Flyover Video Shoot" on the football field at IU's Memorial Stadium Sunday, Sept. 27, at 5 p.m. IU requires everyone entering Memorial Stadium to wear a mask and practice social distancing. To secure your spot on the football field, complete <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y5LQJ97>.

Participating Rotarians will be positioned to form the Rotary logo on the football field. We plan to use the video during the Bloomington Rotary Toast on Friday, Nov. 6.

### **Rotary Toast Nov. 6**

Mike Baker reminded us the Rotary Toast will occur on Zoom on Friday, Nov. 6, when we will honor Bob Hammel. His charity is the Hoosier Hills Food Bank. To make your reservations, go to <https://rotarytoast.com>.

### **Barada an Unmasked Hero**



Rotarian **Jon Barada** is president and CEO of the Bloomington Health Foundation, which the Chamber of Commerce recognized as an Unmasked Hometown Hero in August. The Unmasked Hometown Hero Award went to individuals and organizations who have helped push our community forward this year, despite all of the challenges that have been set out for us. Julio Alonso from Hoosier Hills Food Bank, the beneficiary of our Rotary Toast, was also named a hero.

The Bloomington Health Foundation has awarded Bloomington North Rotary Club funds to facilitate free flu vaccines to participants at Shalom, Wheeler Mission, Middle Way House, New Hope Shelter, and other groups of vulnerable people in our community. Bryan Hane, spouse of DG Jessica Hane, is president.

## Virtual Rotary Zone Summit in October

Attend the Rotary Zone Summit free on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from the comfort of your home. In the morning, we'll get updates on our final push to end polio, timely thoughts on diversity, an energetic pitch on "Do Goodery," and learn how to be better leaders in times of crisis and disaster. For first-timers, there will be quick overviews of Rotary's Membership, Public Image, and Rotary Foundation initiatives.

Afternoon breakouts include in-depth discussions about our new area of focus, Supporting the Environment, Grant ideas for your club or district, engaging younger members, continuity in planning from year-to-year, public speaking, and more.

Register here: <https://3031summit.vfairs.com/en/registration>

## Global Scholar Speaks in Tokyo

Rotarian Jim Bright reports that Rotary Global Scholar **Clarice Cross** spoke Wednesday, Sept. 16, at her host Rotary Club of Tokyo Tamagawa meeting. Clarice is using her \$40,000 Rotary scholarship to pursue a master's degree in Community Economic Development from Waseda University in Tokyo. Among other things, Clarice talked about her volunteer work with the Bloomington Rotary Club.

## Volunteer Opportunities

We offer at least one volunteer opportunity every month. Currently there are four choices, with Salvation Army bell ringing on the horizon.

**-Adopt-A-Road.** Our club manages Pete Ellis Drive from E. Third Street to E. SR 45. We will have a cleanup day on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 9 to 11 a.m. Natalie Blais will send a sign-up so we can volunteer.

**-Helping Hands.** Helping Hands opportunities are still available and will be ongoing. Visit [helpinghands.civicchamps.com](http://helpinghands.civicchamps.com) or call (812) 727-0838 to sign up!

**-Wheeler Mission** serves three meals a day every day and needs volunteer support through either directly serving meals or providing sack meals for the shelter. They also have three "virtual" opportunities that would fill a great need. Anyone who feels these would be a good fit can reach out to Josie at [josierice@wheelermission.org](mailto:josierice@wheelermission.org) or check out [Wheelervolunteer.org](http://Wheelervolunteer.org).

**-Teachers Warehouse** volunteers are needed almost every day Monday through Friday. Please volunteer by emailing [volunteers@teacherswarehouse.org](mailto:volunteers@teacherswarehouse.org).

## This week's speaker: DG Jessika Hane



District Governor Jessika Hane, a 13-year member of the Bloomington Sunrise Club, joined us on her birthday. Jessika, a mother of four, is the human resources director at Oliver Winery and a 2020 Bloomington Woman of the Year. She shared her Rotary story with us, and she asked us to do three things.

First, she asked us to talk about Rotary. Jessika's grandfather was a lifelong Rotarian, but he never talked about it at home, and she was in high school before she began to learn about Rotary. Jessika and Bryan's children attend Rotary events with their parents. She urged us to seize opportunities to connect with others and to serve.

Second, Jessika encouraged us to set our own Rotary Foundation goal. She and her husband are Major Donors—that is, they have given \$10,000 to the Rotary Foundation for international programs and projects. Jessika complimented us on the number of Paul Harris donors and major donors in our club, encouraging others of us to join the effort.

Third, Jessika invited us to attend a district event. This year, events are online, and it is easy to participate. You can even attend the zone summit, which will be October 10 (see the information above about registering).

Jessika lives and breathes Rotary. She closed with a quote from Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

To hear the YouTube recording of the September 22 meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9apIEQDUbx7V4oPH-FWEkg>.

To provide helpful feedback on our speaker, go to <https://tinyurl.com/BtownRotarySpkrFdbck>.

## **Updates**

President **Ashley Sullivan** led our celebration. Thanks to producers **Michael Shermis, Sally Gaskill** and **Natalie Blais. Efrat Feferman** reflected on Ruth Bader Ginsburg's life work, to increase equality.

**Jim Bright** welcomed our guests:

- Liz Grenat of Community Justice and Mediation Center
- Randy Wheeler, Evansville Rotary, District Secretary
- Morgan Adam, Greensburg Rotary, daughter of 2017-18 district 7660 Governor Bryce Adam
- John Bush, Bedford Rotary
- Megan Gearhart, Rotaract President

## **Birthdays this week**

- Rosie Levy, September 24
- Jack McCrory, September 26
- Joe King, September 27

## **Membership anniversaries:**

- Jon Barada, 7 years
- Efrat Feferman, 2 years
- Joe King, 2 years
- Past President Yolanda Treviño, 18 years
- Bill Perkins, 16 years

**Glenda Murray**, Reporter

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