

Rotary
District 6780



Club of Cleveland



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Speakers

October 05, 2021

Cameron Fisher with David Carroll

October 12, 2021

Doug Berry

Cleveland Economic Development

October 19, 2021

Bill Nichols

Rotary Youth Exchange Program

October 26, 2021

Speaker: Garret Wagley-Make-a-Wish East Tennessee

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Grayson addresses Rotarians

Grayson Russell was just an ordinary seven year-old kid growing up in tiny Clanton, Alabama, when his mom read about tryouts for a kid her son's age. Asserting his outgoing personality, little Grayson won a part in an upcoming movie starring Will Ferrell. The role in Talladega Nights would come to define his early career and set him on a course of starring in roles in 12 feature films.

Grayson's hilarious scene at the dinner table as the wise-cracking son of Will Ferrell's lead character launched his career as a child actor with lines Grayson said were mostly unrehearsed and egged on by questions and promptings from the adult actors.

"They were just looking for something from this little red-headed kid with the quirky Southern accent, and they got what they needed!"

Following Talladega Nights, Grayson landed the role of the awkward character Fregley in the three-film series of Diary of a Wimpy Kid. His performances in the films have captured the hearts of a new generation of youngsters who are watching the films in re-runs.

In addition to Ferrell, Grayson has worked with several other high-profile actors, including Julia Roberts, Jane Lynch, Reese Witherspoon, and most recently, Tom Hanks in the WWII-era film Greyhound.

Grayson's most intriguing part of his presentation to Rotarians was his personal testimony.

"The good Lord just put this in my lap," the Lee University graduate said in reference to his acting career. "Hollywood truly is a mission field." Grayson described the intense long hours of working so close with actors of all backgrounds and the relationships that form in such conditions. "Working 8-10 hours a day alongside people, you get close. People in the industry are a lot like the folks in this room with varied backgrounds and life stories."



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"One of the reasons I came to Lee was because they were so accommodating with my schedule to allow me to continue to work. The professors worked with me during shoots which sometimes lasted entire semesters."

Grayson is currently working at Insurance Incorporated while pursuing a counseling degree at the Pentecostal Theological Seminary. He hopes to continue his acting career as long as the roles keep coming. He is currently awaiting a call back from films for which he recently auditioned.



Grayson poses with Rotarians Zach Brooks, Cameron Fisher and Jimmy Harper who are fellow members of the Lee fraternity, Alpha Gamma Chi

Birthdays

Steve Crump
October 1st

James Barrett
October 3rd

Ken R. Jones
October 3rd

Max Phillips
October 3rd

David Ray
October 5th

Bill Seymour
October 9th

Rufus Triplett
October 12th

William Martin
October 12th

Regions Bank - Ken Dew
October 22nd

Russell Dyer
October 27th



President Vaughn's son and Grayson are close friends



Interactive Member Survey: I wanna be a star I wanna be in movies

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Our September 28 program was movie actor Grayson Russell, who got his start as a kid starring in Talladega Nights.

Were you ever on TV or in a movie as a child?

Yes

No

Having trouble with the survey link image? Click here:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCoC0930Program>

Program Series: First Row Badgers ~ October 5: David Carroll

Friday, October 1, 2021



On October 5th we'll enjoy the second edition of an ongoing series: First Row Badgers.

Cameron Fisher will lead interviews with some of our longest-term members. And it's easy to spot who is on the interview list because you can find these Rotarians in the first row of our name badge box.

Up next: David Carroll, club member since 1989.



Dictionary Done and Ready for Distribution!

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Thanks to help from club members and Interact Clubs, the Dictionaries have their 4-Way Test labels applied and the dictionaries are ready for distribution to our local third graders!





Dictionary Project: Sign up for a delivery date!

By Lyle Swartzel on Friday, September 24, 2021



There is still time to sign up for the dictionary project.

Dates for Dictionary Deliveries
Hopewell Elem ♦ September 27 1:00 PM
Stuart Elem ♦ September 29 10:30 AM

October 1
E L Ross - 9:15 AM
Mayfield ♦ 10:00 AM
Oak Grove ♦ 8:30 AM
Parkview ♦ 10:20 AM
Taylor ♦ 11:30 AM

North Lee ♦ October 11 11:00 AM
Candy♦s Creek - October 13 10:15 AM
Water level Elem ♦ October 14 11:15 AM
Blythe Bower Elem October 14 (delivery only)
Charleston Elem October 15 - 1:30 PM
Arnold Memorial October 15 2:45 PM

Dates TBD
Black Fox
Michigan Ave
Prospect
Valley View

Contact Lyle Swarzel for information: LSwartzel@ShelterInsurance.com

Visit from WVHS Interact Club at September 28th Program

Wednesday, September 29, 2021



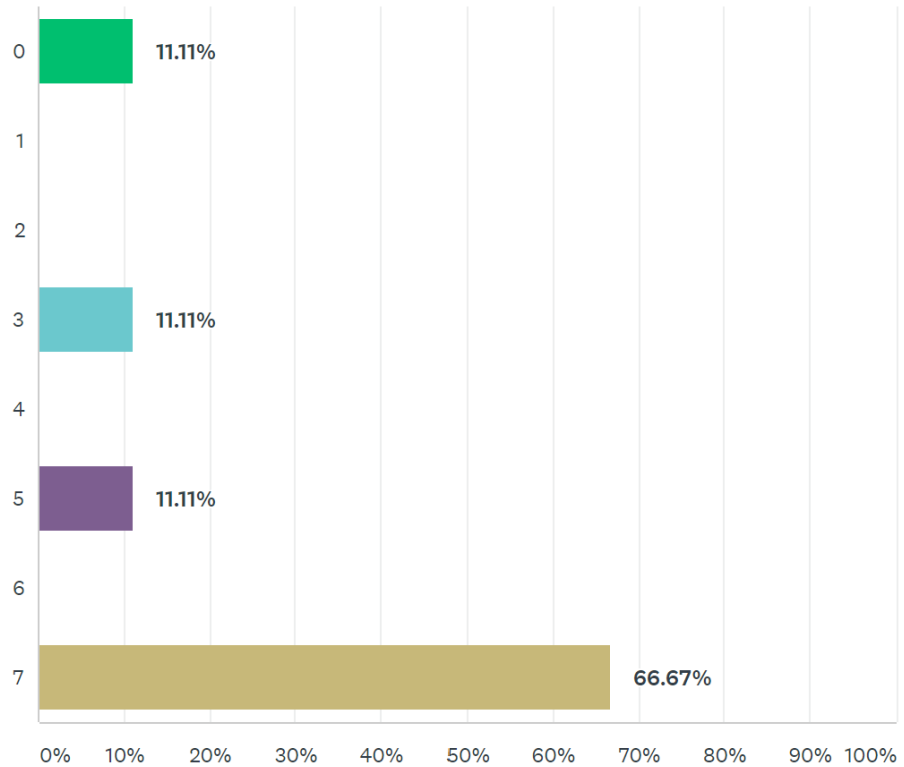
Pictured here are members of the WVHS Interact Club, along with club members Dr. Linda Cash and Vaughn Berger, and their sponsor Jennifer Sacca.

Results from last week's poll: How many days a week do you drive yourself somewhere?

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Our September 21 program was from MyRide Tennessee, a service that links volunteer drivers with older adult riders. Accessible transportation is the number one need for older adults.

It's easy to take our mobility for granted. We asked: In the past 7 days, how many days did you drive yourself somewhere other than work?



Don't forget to answer this week's survey: [Were you on TV or in a movie as a kid?](#)

Zoom Instructions for 2021

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

Please use the below information to join our zoom meetings.

This link will be used through the remainder of 2021.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/93292013465>

Meeting ID: 932 9201 3465

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October 20 is Dunkin' Donuts Purple Pinkie Day



In celebration of World Polio Day October 24 Rotary and Dunkin' Donuts partner to End Polio Now! with the Purple Pinkie Donut Day fundraiser. On October 20 each Dunkin' Donuts location will offer special Purple Pinkie donuts.

Our goal is to raise \$1,000,000 for End Polio Now! - \$600,000 of that from District 6780!

This year we welcome Northern Missouri District 6040 as we expand the project to cover all of Tennessee, Alabama, Northern Mississippi, and now the Kansas City, Missouri area.

Why 'Purple Pinkie'? In countries where the threat of polio remains high, every child under age 5 receives polio vaccine by mouth twice per year during events called



◆National Immunization Days.◆ When vaccinating millions of children in a short period of time it is impossible to document which child has received the vaccine, so every child vaccinated has the little finger (pinkie) nail of their left hand painted purple with marker that doesn't wash off for about a month. Local communities

recognize that children with ◆purple pinkies◆ will never get polio which is cause for great celebration.

Over time the ◆Purple Pinkie◆ has become an international symbol of a polio free world. As of September, only two cases of wild polio have been reported in 2021, compared to 102 cases by September 2020. Thanks to the work Rotary has done, supported by generous donations from people like you, we **will** eradicate polio!

On October 20 each Dunkin' Donuts location will have a limited quantity of Purple Pinkie Donuts available for walk-up customers to purchase either individually or in boxes. However, to ensure an adequate supply with minimal waste, we encourage Rotarians, friends, and families to pre-order, and we've made that easy to do.

For every \$2.50 donated to End Polio Now! through the Purple Pinkie Donut Fundraiser, participants will receive a free Purple Pinkie Donut◆a glazed donut stick, topped with a dab of purple icing◆as a thank you. Through generous matching funds from Rotary districts and The Gates Foundation, each \$2.50 donation becomes a total donation of \$18.75 to help eradicate polio.

Success of the program is driven by Rotarians who pre-order 10-count boxes of ◆Pinkies◆ for a \$25

donation, generating \$187.50 in donations per box! In the first three years, the Purple Pinkie Donut Project has generated more than \$2,000,000 in donations to End Polio Now! Our goal for 2021 is to raise another million.

The Purple Pinkie Donut Project Pre-Orders will be accepted through Wednesday, October 13. Your club may submit a bulk order, or you may place your own order at www.purplepinkies.org. For every \$25 donation, you will receive one box of 10 purple pinkie donuts and, thanks to all the matching funds, \$187.50 will be donated to End Polio Now! Watch your donation multiply by a factor of 7.5 and make a huge impact in the fight to eradicate polio.

To receive Paul Harris credit for your donation, include the name of your club and your Rotary ID number with your order. You can find your ID number on the address label of your *Rotarian* magazine.

Your Club President had additional ordering and reporting information, or you may submit questions to purplepinkies@bluemontgroup.net.

Want to contribute but don't want donuts? Rotary has created a new platform called Raise for Rotary where anyone can donate (even non-Rotarians). Use the email address where you receive Rotary communications to receive Paul Harris credit and include your Club and District in the comments of your donations. You may also mail a check payable to The Rotary Foundation to Bluemont Group, ATTN Purple Pinkies, PO Box 32675, Knoxville, TN 37930. (Do not mail directly to The Rotary Foundation.)
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Club Meeting

Cleveland
Meets at Museum Center at Five Points
200 Inman St E
Cleveland, TN 37311
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM