



Rotary Club of Anderson



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Two new members were inducted in the Club - Welcome Tina Brown and Mark Joczik!



Honored Guests - Rep. Jay West, Rep. Anne Thayer, Chief Jim Stewart, and Lt Governor Evette.



Lt Governor Pamela Evette's presentation was informative and positive.



Past President, Tim Self, was presented with a much delayed, Rotary Plaque for his dedicated and fruitful service last year!

Financially the State is in a good place (surplus \$\$) inspite of the "hit" COVID has had on resources.

The legislative culture in Columbia is collaborative (party to party and business and industry).

SC COVID response including Accelerate SC have been examples for many of States.

Call to Action - Fill out your 2020 Census documents and mail them in! Census numbers are used in Federal Funding formulas (allocations to states) and it is estimated that SC unreported our census by approximately 20% in 2010. **Ask your family and friends if they have filled out their 2020 Census.** Census data is not shared (confidential) and it does make a financial impact on our Federal funding!

October 20th.



"It's a little different approach —it's more of building a relationship and then working on the work,"- Gary Bruhjell

We had a great meeting last Tuesday. Gary Bruhjell, Principal, and Elizabeth Bowen, Asst Principal, of Homeland Park Primary School gave us an overview of their school, their students, and how their goal is for HPPS students to have the SAME experience at HP as every other student in Anderson District 5! It was truly inspirational. Gary's focus is to build relationships and trust with both the students and their parents or out of school support system(s). It appears to be working as demonstrated by the fact that 14 of 16 students had a parent or family member at the last STEM event at the school. According to Gary, that is HUGE progress! Our Club presented Gary and Elizabeth with two big tubs of books, over 800 pairs of socks, bags and bags of candy and crayons for Spooktacular and boxes and boxes of candy bars, crackers, chips, etc for the Teacher's Whoop Whoop Wagon! Allison Youngblood through the OAK Foundation brought a bag of fitness and playground equipment and informed Gary and Elizabeth that the Foundation was donating one for EVERY classroom! It was a great program and an uplifting meeting!



November is Rotary Foundation

Month. Therefore, Bob Austin, Foundation Chair, introduced a Paul Harris Fellows Challenge. Any member who wants to attain their first PHF level or wants to attain an additional level, the Club will match your financial contribution to get you to a PHF level or level plus one! Support our Foundation and reach out to Bob to take advantage of this match in NOVEMBER!

Our next meeting is **November 3rd** at Tucker's. Grayson Kelly, VP of Institutional Advancement and Foundation for Tri-County Technical College will be our presenters. Grayson will be talking about the importance of Foundation, especially during COVID and our uncertain economic times. Be sure and support our Foundation and plan to attend!

Upcoming Events

Save the Date:

Christmas Party December 17th. At Tuckers at **6:30pm at Tucker's**. Jane Cahaly has agreed to coordinate the planning of the party but is looking for other to help her. Please reach out to Jane to help plan this fun fellowship celebration and plan to attend!



Next year RI Convention in Taipei June 12—16 2021

Register <https://convention.rotary.org/en/taipei/register>

Our next meetings will be on **November 3rd**. And on the **17th**. At 12:00 noon at Tuckers. If you are not available to come check for an email with zoom user ID and password.

Deadline for December newsletter is November 23rd. Please Send items to newsletter editor Claudia Perla, claudiamperla@gmail.com Articles received after November 23rd. will be used in January.

Ongoing Community Services

Whoop! Whoop! Wagon donations – Donate snacks, sodas, etc. for the wagon that goes around Homeland Park Primary on Fridays to give teachers a much-needed treat. Bring donations to Rotary or United Way of Anderson County.

Book drive – We always are collecting books for HPP and the Book Nook at the Anderson Mall. Bring books to Rotary, United Way of Anderson County or the Anderson Mall office.

Purple Heart Homes – Supporting with temporary housing, licensed plumbing services, and furnishings (refrigerator) for a tiny home in Williamston for a veteran, Debbie.

Kid Venture – Sweat equity clean up and repairs and financial support for this children's park in Anderson. Dates TBD due to COVID closure!

Weekend Snack Pack Program – UWAC – Hands on service in preparing the Snack Packs for our local elementary school children with the goal of addressing the Weekend Meal Gap.

Many other "one off" service opportunities in support of our local communities and our not-for-profit agencies.

If you are a **Rotary member working at one of our community non-profits**, please reach out to **Kylie Herbert** if you have service opportunities or great needs with which our club may be able to help. 864-367-9672 or development@habitatanderson.org.



Member Birthdays	Birthday
Edwards, Carl T (CARL)	3-Nov
Lindsay, Lauren Smith (LAUREN)	26-Nov
Macbeth, Justine Clare (JUSTINE)	4-Nov
Martinez, Luis II (LUIS)	19-Nov
Wilson, Thomas A. (TOM)	10-Nov

Partner Birthdays	Member Name	Birthday
Beal Jr, James (JIM)	Beal, Mandy	3-Nov



Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Little, Michael L. (MICHAEL)	11/1/1978	42
McDougald, Douglas C. III(DOUGLAS)	11/1/1995	25
McDougald, Douglas C. Jr.(DOUGLAS)	11/1/1964	56
Thomason, James R. (JAMES)	11/1/1995	25
West, George (GEORGE)	11/9/2001	19

Wedding Anniversaries	Partner's Name	Anniversary
Lowe, Sam B (SAM)	Kristen (KRISTEN LOWE)	19-Nov

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Meeting Location:

Tucker's and zoom

Meeting Time: 12:00 Noon

First & Third Tuesday of every month

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