

The Greenwood Rotarian

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"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves"

President Message

By Pamela D. Vaughn

Rotarians,



Happy Thanksgiving friends! This is one of my favorite weeks of the year.

Normally I would be hustling trying to finish my work, getting packed and heading to TN to see my parents.

On Thanksgiving morning Mike and I like to go run the Grateful Gobbler in Chattanooga to benefit the McClellan Center for the homeless. Then we eat the traditional feast, watch football and play games. Friday gives way to black Friday shopping (mainly online & some at locally owned shops) and doing other things to start the Christmas season like getting hot chocolate from The Hot Chocolatier. Due to some unforeseen events, instead we will be spending this Thanksgiving in SC. I suppose for many of us our traditions may be thrown off a bit this year.

Whatever we do, let us not forget our blessings and to help those less fortunate. Perhaps you have a GIVING endeavor you do each Thanksgiving. If not, why not start now?

Thank you for the generous donation of socks and blankets for our Veterans. We plan to deliver those Wednesday December 2 at noon. If you have interest in coming along, let me know. More details to follow soon.

We already have a near full Salvation Army Bell-ringer sign-up sheet. The only slot unfulfilled is from 8:00-9:00pm. Are there 2 night owls out there that could assist?

November is set aside to honor Rotary International giving. If you want to learn more about becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, Benefactor, or Major Donor, see Watson Dorn, John Heydel or Art Wallace.

I hope your holiday is joyous and everything you are needing right now!

In Rotary,

Pamela Vaughn Club President

Last Meeting Highlights

By Kendall Miles Gunter on Monday, November 23, 2020

Club Program November 10th

Guest Speaker - Anthony Price, Executive Director, Greenwood Pathway House

On Tuesday, November 10, our club invited Executive Director of the Greenwood Pathway House, Anthony Price, to speak on the issue of homelessness in Greenwood County. Mr. Price gave great insight to the statistics of homelessness in our community and how it impacts all of us. Interesting facts:

- Greenwood County has the 3rd highest rate of homelessness in SC.
- There are currently more than 400 homeless adults in Greenwood County.
- Homelessness in SC has increased 6.1% in 2019 and increased 20.5% since 2014.
- Each homeless person costs taxpayers \$400,000 per year.
- Healthcare costs for the homeless are 39x higher than the average annual cost in SC.
- There are currently more than 800 children in Greenwood County that are homeless.

These numbers are alarming! Greenwood Pathway House works with 210 organization to provide wholistic services to the homeless, but to break the traumatic cycle of homelessness requires a community effort. Learn more about the Greenwood Pathway House, the homeless in our community and steps you can take to help by visiting [Greenwood Pathway House \(gwdpathway.org\)](http://Greenwood Pathway House (gwdpathway.org)).

Rotary Give to Salvation Army

The Greenwood Rotary Club is proud to grant the Salvation Army \$2,000.00 to go towards their program that provides assistance to those in need of rental/mortgage and electrical assistance due to Covid-19.

Club News

Our November 24th meeting will be live, and via Zoom. It will be recorded and posted to our Facebook page

([Rotary Club of Greenwood](#)).

If you are not attending live, then please join us on Zoom.

Time: Nov 24, 2020 12:30 PM

Click on the following link (or paste in your browser) to join:

[GRC Nov 24th Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: 864 344 0217

Passcode: pR6199

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C)

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)

Meeting ID: 864 344 0217

Passcode: 704633

We will be able to project Zoom on the live meeting screen and connect you to the PA so that you can actively participate.

Attendance

Please email our Sgt-at-Arms and Attendance Chair, Jimmy Burton (jimmyburton@hotmail.com) if you virtually attend a meeting, or if you have a make-up. He will get your attendance posted.



Membership Committee Report

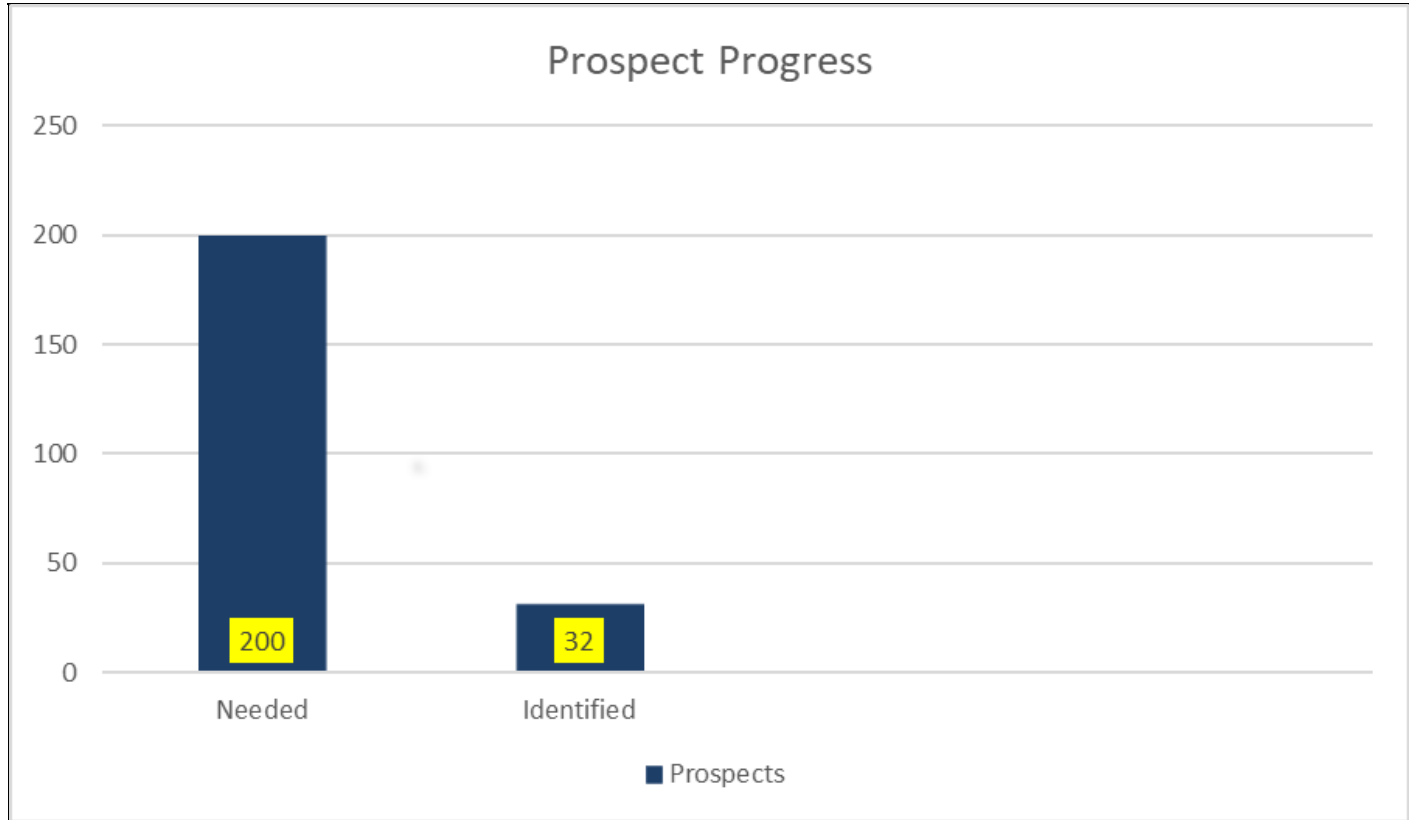
By Samuel Madden Leaman III on Friday, October 9, 2020

MEMBERSHIP PROSPECTS THE KEY TO MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

Rotary is a membership organization whose product is service. Without members we cannot serve. In order to meet our membership goal this year we must induct at least 20 more new members. We will need more if our attrition exceeds our three-year average.

According to the 10-3-1 rule, it takes ten prospects to have three meaningful conversations about Rotary which will hopefully result in one new member. Using this rule, we must identify 200 new prospects! So far, we have identified 32. We've got a long way to go. George will continue his prospecting efforts so be prepared with some names and contact information of people that you think would make great Rotarians.

The graph below visually shows our current prospect deficit.



MEMBERSHIP GOAL

One more word about our membership growth goal. President Pam has set the goal for her year to be +3. According to the District and based on a three-year average, our club will lose 18 members this year. That means we must bring in 21 new members to meet the goal. So far, we've only been able to bring in one. The Membership Committee could use your help.

Current Membership Status:

Start	Added	Terminated	Current	Gain	Net Membership Gain Goal: +3
113	1	2	112	-1	

Service Projects

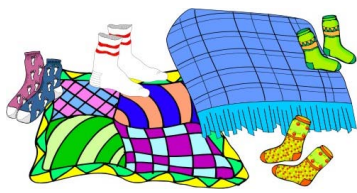
By Kendall Miles Gunter

Upcoming Service Projects

November:

Sock and Blanket Drive for Local Veterans

We are now collecting socks and blankets, as well as money to buy socks and



blankets, for our local Veterans who currently live in assisted living facilities and nursing homes during the Covid-19 crisis. Let's keep our Veterans comfortable and warm this winter. Please bring in these items during this week's club meeting.

Upcoming Programs

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Nov. 24, 2020 The Future of Economic Development in Greenwood

Dec. 8, 2020 (TBD)

Dec. 15, 2020 Christmas Social

Charity Committee Highlights

By Watson L. Dorn Jr. on Sunday, November 22, 2020



The Rotary Foundation Report

Thanks to the Kauffmann's generous match of gifts to PolioPlus. I am sure this, along with the generosity of our members, were key factors in exceeding our goal this early in the year.

To donate to TRF online, see [Donate Via My Rotary](#) document on DACdb
(My Club > Club Files > Secure Files > My Rotary Aids)

ITEM	GOAL	CURRENT	%
Annual Fund	\$14,375	\$3,987	28%
PolioPlus	\$4,255	\$5,618	132%
PHF or increased level	15	6	40%
New Benefactors	2	1	50%
EREY	112	28	25%
All Time Giving to TRF	\$500,000	\$494,024	(\$5,976)

Rotary



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Give to the virtual CART Bucket now online:

Our club has been a supporter of The CART Fund (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust) for many years. To give to CART online:

1. Go to www.mycartfund.org.
2. Enter your DACdb User Name & Password
3. Click on the dark blue sign-in (Current User) button

Click on the **Donate TODAY!** button.

If you don't have your DACdb credentials, you can use the light blue button to **Create an Account** and you'll be asked for our District ID (7750) and our club name (Greenwood).

Birthdays



Deborah H. Parks
November 12th



Benjamin W. Rosenberger
November 16th



Keli Fewox
November 24th

Years of Service



Catherine K. Davis
21 Years



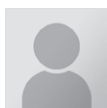
Wayne Bell
21 Years



Lexie Daniel Walters Jr.
10 Years



Teresa Goodman
3 Years



Lesley B. Lane
3 Years



Hanna N. Dover
2 Years



Wade H. Smith
1 Year



John W. Cooper
1 Year



Julius L Leary Jr.
1 Year

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**Four
Way
Test**



The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?