



The Greenwood Rotarian

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

"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,



We are quickly closing out 2020. Just yesterday we were finishing Thanksgiving dinner and now we are progressing rapidly towards Christmas Day. It's such a busy season right now.

A few club updates to share. Blankets/socks are being given out. Some were already given to veterans in Magnolia Manor. Further plans to distribute to the Veterans Center and potentially Agape or Legion Hut in Greenwood and the VA clinic in Anderson (thanks to a large sock donation from a generous club member).

Don't forget Salvation Army Bell Ringing at the old Walmart across from Lowes on Friday December 18.

The Happy Feet Project is up and running. Thank you to those that volunteered to serve on our committee. I am in the process of trying to procure the shoes to provide to Woodfields Elementary.

In this season of giving I encourage you to consider donating to Rotary International. Why not become a Paul Harris Fellow, Benefactor, or Major Donor? Several in our club have already done so and I want to thank each of you for your generosity and commitment to our great organization.

In all the great opportunities for service and desire to make your family and friends feel joyous, please remember to take time to care for yourself and enjoy the magic of the season. Covid vaccines are on the way! Until then, adapt, adjust, overcome and find a way to win!

I close with a quote one of our members had on their email. "Service is the rent that you pay for room on this earth." -Shirley Chisholm

In Rotary,

Pamela Vaughn

Club President

Last Meeting Highlights

By Kendall Miles Gunter on Monday, December 7, 2020

Club Program November 24th

Guest Speakers - David Dougherty and James Bateman, *The Future of Economic Development in Greenwood*

On Tuesday, November 24, our club hosted David Dougherty, Interim Executive Director of the Greenwood Chamber of Commerce, and James Bateman, interim Greenwood County economic development director, to provide an update on the future of economic development in Greenwood County.



Rotary Gives to Local Charity

Our club recently granted *Host Food Gathering* \$500.00 as they pursue their mission to promote a healthy community through healthy eating choices.



Club News

Our December 8th 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: Dec 8, 2020 12:30 PM

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



[GRC 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

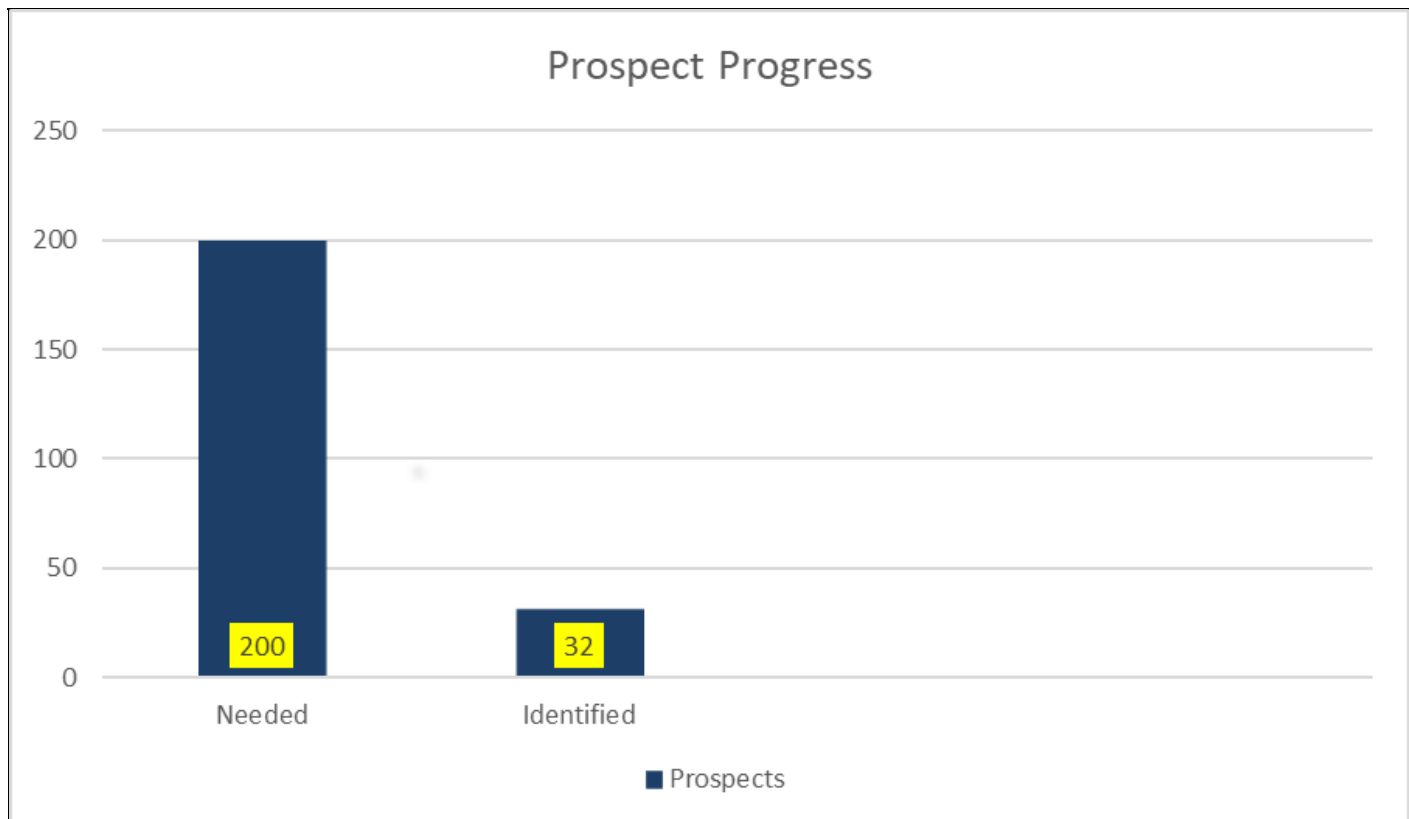
By Samuel Madden Leaman III on Monday, December 7, 2020

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

Service Projects

November:

Sock and Blanket Drive for Local Veterans



Thank you to all that donated socks and blankets over the past several weeks. We were able to donate about 20 blankets and hundreds of socks to local nursing homes, Veteran's hospital and a hospice organization -- all serving veterans.

December:

Salvation Army Annual Bell Ringing



On Friday, December 18, volunteers from our club will be ringing the bell at the old Walmart throughout the day. If you'd like to sign up, there are a few time slots available.

Save the Date:



Rise Against Hunger -- Saturday, January 23, 2021

Upcoming Programs

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Dec. 8, 2020 Upstate Forever (Aldon Knight)

Dec. 15, 2020 Christmas Social

Charity Committee Highlights



The Rotary Foundation Report

Thanks to the Kauffmann's generous match of gifts to PolioPlus.

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	\$5,397	38%
PolioPlus	\$4,255	\$5,871	138%
PHF or increased level	15	6	40%
New Benefactors	2	1	50%
EREY	111	35	32%
All Time Giving to TRF	\$500,000	\$494,024	(\$5,976)



A Project of the Rotary Clubs of North America

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



John C. Davidson
November 25th



Samuel Madden Leaman III
November 30th

Charles J. Rogers
December 3rd

Kendall Miles Gunter
December 5th



Erin K. Layland
December 7th

Years of Service



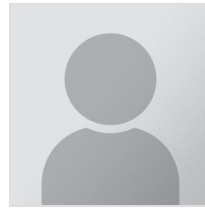
Charles H. Nash
2 Years



William D. Nicholson II
2 Years



Marisel Losa
2 Years



Emma E. Wheeler
1 Year

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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?