

# Rotary



# Club of Hastings

"Forward Thinker" Monday, February 3, 2025

## Speakers

## Club Leaders

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Club Director

**Allison Troyer Wiswell**

Club Director

**Jennifer Ella Heinzman**

iPast President

## Years of Service

Rob Deming

02-06-2006

19 Years

## Our Committees - We need YOU!



*FORWARD THINKER*  
February 3, 2025  
Sheryl Lewis-Blake, President



## Programs & Events

TODAY President's Agenda – Focus: Our Rotary Committees

Feb. 10 – View Newspaper, What's New?

Feb. 17 – Distracted Driving

Feb. 21 – Bowling, Soup, Dessert & Trivia

Feb. 24 – Hastings Airport

April 11 & 12 – Barry Roubaix

May 2 & 3 – Rotary & Interact District Conference – South Haven

Attend Hastings Rotary meetings either in-person or online. Your choice, but we want to connect with you! ZOOM LINK FOR MONDAY MEETINGS: (Same link every Monday)

Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84643016021?pwd=QVd2N05xMm9LY3d4bTYrSVB2NGpyQT09>

Meeting ID: 846 4301 6021

Passcode: 6360

## WHAT DOES THAT COMMITTEE DO?

What is your passion for service? At today's meeting, all of our committees will be highlighted. YOU are welcome to join any committee!! This is your opportunity to become engaged in your Rotary Club.



## MEMBERSHIP – All Rotarian's Responsibility!

Welcome to our 3 new members!!

**Virginia Bolshakova** (Sponsor - Carl Schoessel)

**Duska Brumm** (Sponsor - Dave Solmes)

**Angela-Chapin Holt** (Sponsor - Carl Schoessel)

*Who will you invite to Rotary?* Do you know someone who has a heart for service? See Membership Chairman, **Carl Schoessel** for membership forms.

## YOU ARE NEEDED FOR BARRY ROUBAIX!

April 11 & 12

Please take a moment and look at your schedule to help our club with the Barry Roubaix. This is by far our club's largest fundraiser, and it takes everyone's participation. Please do not wait for others to sign-up and please invite your friends. Feel free to share this sign-up with anyone you think would

like to help. If you have questions please contact Dave Solmes at [dsolmes@deweysautobody.com](mailto:dsolmes@deweysautobody.com).

You can view the sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904094BABA823A4F49-54408312-barryroubaix#/>.

#### WORLD POLIO UPDATE AS OF 1/30/25

The first new case of wild poliovirus causing paralysis was reported for 2025 in Pakistan and there were three (3) positive environmental samples.

Wild Poliovirus Cases reported this year (one) with a total of 98 reported in 2024 — 25 in Afghanistan and 73 in Pakistan.

#### Rotary's response to U.S.'s plan to withdraw from World Health Organization by Rotary International

Rotary notes the recent announcement that the United States intends to withdraw from the World Health Organization (WHO), a partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). We remain resolute in our mission to eradicate polio. As a founding partner of the GPEI, Rotary has for decades worked closely with all the GPEI partners, the U.S. government, and other governments to end polio worldwide. This effort has reduced the number of children paralyzed by polio by 99.9% since 1988. The global effort to eradicate polio has innovated many times over the years to come close to protecting every last child.

Although this decision creates new challenges, Rotary remains dedicated to ensuring that every child is protected from this preventable disease. We are confident that the GPEI will continue to adapt, to innovate, and to implement effective strategies to keep polio vaccines available for every child in the United States and around the world, especially those in the most challenging and remote regions. The most important decisions leading to a polio-free world are made every day by parents who present their children for vaccination. We remain committed to working with all GPEI partners to fulfill the promise of a polio-free world. Together, we have ended smallpox, and together, we can ensure that polio becomes the second human disease to be eradicated from the planet. — 22 January 2025. (taken from RI's website under "Announcements")



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*Rotarians are People of Action*  
Join Leaders--Exchange Ideas--Take Action  
**District 6360 Michigan USA**

## Birthdays

[David D. Solmes](#)  
February 6th

[Tricia Drake](#)  
February 17th

[Chelsey A. Foster](#)  
February 25th

[Duska Brumm](#)  
February 8th

[Jon Sporer](#)  
February 19th

[Kevin S. Beck](#)  
March 1st

[Nicholas Marlatt](#)  
February 9th

[Kara K. Hayward](#)  
February 24th

[Andrew R. Cove](#)  
March 3rd

[David L. Baum](#)  
February 16th

[William Andrew Mattson](#)  
February 24th

## Wedding Anniversaries

[Karen Heath](#)  
February 11th

[Marjorie R. Haas](#)  
February 17th

[Eugene L. Haas Jr.](#)  
February 17th