



**The Spoke**

**Club Meeting**

Greenfield Meets at Our Club meets on Thursdays from noon to 1pm at the Greenfield Christian Church, located at 23 N East St., Greenfield, Indiana, except on the 3rd Thursday of the month, when we meet at 5:30PM at Mozz's Pizzeria, located at 2221 W Main St., Greenfield, IN 46140. Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

**Rotary Foundation Goals**

By David Anders, Thursday, October 11, 2019  
 Participation: "Every Rotarian, Every Year"  
 Requested Average Giving/Member = \$160  
 Minimum Requested Giving/Member = \$26.50  
 Club's Annual Fund Goal = \$15,000  
 Club's Polio Plus Goal = \$5,000

**Key Statistics**

By David Anders, Saturday, June 8, 2019  
**Club Founded on July 25, 1955**

Active Members = 60  
 RRS Active Members = 17  
 Active LOA Members = 5  
 Proposed Members = 0  
**Total Active Members = 82**  
 Honorary Members = 17  
**Total Members = 99**

**Paul Harris Fellows = 40** (73 % not including Honorary Rotarians who are Paul Harris Fellows) active, including 4 major donors and 2 Benefactors.

Our active and honorary members have bestowed the Paul Harris Fellow designation to 35 of their family members. A benefactor has pledged \$1,000 or more to be paid to the Foundation from their estate.

**Active Members' Years of Service**  
 < 1 year = 14  
 2 to 5 yrs = 17  
 6 to 10 yrs = 15  
 11 to 20 yrs = 19  
 21 to 25 = 4  
 26+ = 10

**Active Female Members = 32 (41%)**  
**Active Male Members = 47 (59%)**

**Age of Members**  
 0 to 29 = 0  
 30 - 39 = 11  
 40 to 49 = 13  
 50 - 59 = 8  
 60 to 69 = 21  
 70 - 79 = 11  
 80+ = 1  
 Undetermined = 11

**Board Meeting**

By David Anders, Thursday, July 12, 2018  
 Rotary Board Meets 2nd Wednesday/Every Month  
 Bamboo Garden  
 Breakfast  
 Noon

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**Events**

December 29th Club Meeting: **Monica hosts Fun on the Spoke!**  
 Speaker: Barbara Anders.

January 3rd **Meals on Wheels**

January 5th **Greenfield Weekly Club Meeting**  
 Classification Speeches

January 10th **Meals on Wheels**

January 12th **Club Meeting-Mid Year Update**  
 Speaker: Monica Kowaleski

January 12th **White Elephant Exchange**

January 17th **Meals on Wheels**

January 19th **Greenfield Weekly Club Meeting-Ron Dickey's Book**

January 24th **Meals on Wheels**

January 25th **Club Meeting- Classification Panel**

**Years of Service**

Robert J. Campbell PDG 01-15-1981 42 Years  
 Jerry D. Rogers 01-10-1991 32 Years  
 Richard L. Walker 01-04-2001 22 Years  
 Bradley J. Herndon

**Wishing You Peace, Prosperity and Joy in the New Year**

By David Anders on Thursday, December 29, 2022



**Highlights from the December 29, 2023 Club Meeting**

By David Anders on Thursday, December 29, 2022



Bobbie Campbell and Robert Harris Accept check for \$2,499.51 for the Sheriff's Department "Shop with a Deputy Program". Rotary Bell Ringers Christmas Fundraiser supports the Sheriff's program.

**Opening of the Meeting 12-29-2022:**

Presiding Officer... Monica Kowaleski  
 Pledge... Deb Low  
 Prayer... Kirk Schum  
 Four Way Test... Marsha Moore  
 Happy Bucks... Brian Ornel  
 50/50 Raffle/Saleperson... Grant Ford  
 50/50 Ticket Winner... Chantel Fowler drew the 4 of Spades and gets the opportunity to sell tickets at the next club meeting.

**Attendance:**  
 • 33 Rotarians  
 • 6 Guests

**Newest Members:**

Our membership has grown to 99 members (see left side bar for details). Earn the honor of recruiting our 100<sup>th</sup> member: **Bring a friend to Rotary.** Go to our website and see 10 Reasons to Join Rotary.

**Paul Harris Fellows:**



Monica Kowaleski awarded Rita Fish her Paul Harris +4 Fellowship and Ron Torok his Paul Harris +4 Fellowship

**Announcements:**



Barbara Anders and her Christmas Elves announce that this year's Thirty-Second Auction raised \$6,140 for Polio Plus

- The club's calendar of events can be viewed on the DACDb website, in The Spoke (left-side column) and in a Club Google Calendar that can be linked to your personal Google Calendar. Hart Summerer can assist you if you need help accessing it.
- Terry Snow reminded everyone to look at the speaker list, as some names have changed recently!
- Ricard Carrett is celebrating his 25<sup>th</sup> Rotary Anniversary this month and Mike Pfeiffer his 37<sup>th</sup> Rotary Anniversary.
- As a result of this year's Bell Ringers Fundraiser, a check was presented to Bobby Campbell and Penny Weller from the Hancock County's Sheriff's Department for "Shop with a Deputy".
- Monica shared with the club some of the unfinished business, she wants to address in the second half of her term as president:
  - Expanding our reach to members who struggle to attend our Thursday Noon Meetings.
  - Keeping members engaged
  - Engaging family members and youth
- Sara Joyner advised the club that \$5,000 of our Foundation donations funded this month's lodging for the Riley Medical Team's trip this week to Aman Jordan.
- Deb Low is seeking volunteers to fill a few vacant spots for our Tuesday Meals on Wheels community service project. Each Tuesday, we pick up meals around 10:30 am for Route 3, here in the center of Greenfield. It usually takes about 1 hour to deliver to anywhere between 7 to 10 residences. Let Deb know if you can fill a date or two through December 2023. It counts as a Makeup.
- David Eiser is looking for a few volunteers to help prepare a meal at the Kenneth Butler Memorial Soup Kitchen, on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. He would like to fill 2 shifts with 5 members, each. The first shift is from 2 to 4pm and the second shift is from 4 to 6pm. Contact Dave if you can fill one of the volunteer spots: **It counts as a Makeup.**
- Monica recognized Wayne Addison and Barbara Anders as "Ignite the Fire" leaders in our club.
- Barbara Anders notified the club that we will be holding our Annual White Elephant Event at the January 12, 2023, club meeting. Barbara explained that this is meant to be a fun event and is not a fundraiser. Find something at home that you are anxious to part with, then wrap it and enter it into our White Elephant Event. It can be used or a re-gift. Participating members will be given a number as they arrive, which will indicate in what order they can choose a gift. They have the option of choosing an unwrapped gift or stealing one that has already been chosen. At the end of the first round, time permitting we will have a second round in which all participants get one last chance at stealing a gift from another participant. You will not be allowed, however, to steal the same gift twice. This is a no cost event and the more the merrier, so start searching your house for your White Elephant gift!

**Dates to Remember (see club calendar on DACDb):**

- Every Tuesday of the Week... Meals on Wheels
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of Every Even Number Month... Kenneth Butler Memorial Soup Kitchen
- January 12th... White Elephant
- January 26... Quarterly Blood Drive
- February 5, 2023... Rotary at the Indy Fuel Hockey Game & Party Deck
- March 2023... Rotary Youth Leadership Academy
- April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>... District 6560 Annual Conference
- April 22, 2023... Gift of Life

01-20-2009  
14 Years  
Sara Marie Jynner  
01-29-2009  
14 Years  
John P. Singer  
01-21-2010  
13 Years  
Joy Campbell  
01-12-2017  
6 Years  
Jerad Mielke  
01-18-2018  
5 Years  
Emily Schenk  
01-25-2018  
5 Years

**Birthdays**

Jake Kersey  
December 30th  
Daisy Love  
January 10th  
Jody Thomson  
January 11th  
Greg Warner  
January 12th  
Barbara Anders  
January 22nd  
Marcia Moore  
January 27th

**Club Leaders**

Monica Price  
Kowalski  
President  
Derek C.  
Bozella  
Vice  
President  
Linda Jones  
Treasurer  
B. Williams  
Fackler  
Club Director  
David  
Molina  
Bulkinen  
Editor  
Webmaster  
Bita Marie  
Ditt  
Club Director  
Matt Pfeiffer  
Club Director

Joseph T.  
Duffy  
Weekly Set  
Up and Tear  
Down Chair  
Kim Hill  
Lunch  
Coordinator  
Kevin  
Hessig  
Kroger  
Community  
Giving

Sally Buchanan  
By Laws  
Chair  
Sara Marie  
Jynner  
Club Director

Brian Lott  
Water  
Workshop 1st  
Responders  
Awards

Marcia  
Moore  
Historical  
and Digital  
Archive

Tom &  
Sue  
Memorial  
Day Co  
Chair  
David &  
Sillanpaa  
FireSide Chat

Karen A.  
Watts  
Weekly Set  
Up and  
Tear Down

Dillon  
Harbo  
Brewin  
Apple Day  
Chair

Paula Crist  
Steak N  
Bake Chair

Maria  
Wahlberg  
Bell Ringers  
Chair

David Floor  
Club Service  
Chair

Charlene  
Lowler  
Gift of Life  
Co Chair

Gra Warner  
Blood Drives

Anthony C.  
Campbell  
Exchange  
Students -  
RYE

Amy L.  
Brazanski  
Club Social  
Chair

Sherry Diane  
Haines  
Gift of Life  
Co Chair

Lisa  
Sawmaker  
Memorial  
Day Co  
Chair  
Advertising  
& Social  
Media Chair

Brian Jax  
Club Director  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Co-Chair

John P.  
Singer  
Sponsorships  
Chair  
Membership  
Co-Chair  
Club Director

Emily  
Schenk  
Audit  
Committee

Louis  
Wootton  
Gaming and  
Learning

**The 2023-2024 Club Officers & Directors:**  
**President:** Derek Rogers  
**President-Elect:** Hart Summaler  
**Vice President:** Chantel Fowler  
**Past President:** Monica Price Kowalski  
**Secretary:** Kim Hill  
**Treasurer:** Linda Jones  
**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Joe Duffy

**2021-2024 Directors:**  
Rita Fish  
Wayne Addison  
**2022-2025 Directors:**  
Sara Jynner  
Adam Jurs  
**2023-2026 Directors:**  
Sherry Haines  
Greg Hodge

**Program: to war is a well-paved highway that the way to**



**It is true that the way to war is a well-paved highway and that the way to peace is still a wilderness...."**  
- Rotary Founder Paul Harris, 1945  
Ron Torok, past club president, spoke at this week's meeting about Rotary Action Group for Peace Clubs (RAGP).



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Peacebuilder Clubs are a Rotarian movement creating energy and momentum for peaceful conflict resolution around the world. In 2018, our RAGFP [Leadership Team](#) decided to champion this program in Rotary Clubs worldwide as an essential call to action for Rotarian peacebuilders. Rotarian Peacebuilder Clubs commit to engage in dialogues and activities that promote positive peace both in their communities and across the globe.  
Rotary Founder Paul Harris, 1945  
The Peacebuilder Club program is designed to enhance Rotary International's mission of: The RAGFP serves as a resource to the Rotary community and is on a mission to **engage, educate and empower** the Rotary network to advance peacebuilding worldwide.  
RAGFP supports the mission through the following three strategic focus areas:  
1. **Raising the profile of peacebuilding in Rotary and beyond.** RAGFP is committed to raising the profile of peace and peacebuilding around the world. We are dedicated to building a strong community of peacebuilders made up by Rotarians, Rotaractors, Clubs, and non-Rotarians who are passionate about making peace possible. We have **engaged** a strong global network of nearly 15,000 peacebuilders from over 80 nations. Our programs demonstrate the power of Rotarian grassroots peace action, both elevating their incredible peace work internationally, as well as **educating** fellow peacebuilders about their efforts. Between building a strong peacebuilding community alongside educational peace content and peace awareness, RAGFP **empowers** peacebuilders with the tools and resources to **take action for peace** by leading through strong definitions of peace.  
2. **Supporting Rotary Clubs and Districts' peace action.** RAGFP's programs are designed to support the work of Rotary Clubs and Districts to pursue sustainable peace action. We provide content that **engages, educates,** inspires, and advances peace action to our members and clubs. We work with our global members to facilitate connections between Rotary Clubs, districts, Peace Fellows, and other peacebuilders to **empower** strong partnerships for peace collaborations. We believe in the power of our collective action for peace. By sharing our peace accomplishments and building new connections for peacebuilders, we are creating catalysts that accelerate the power of peace.  
3. **Providing and facilitating Peace education to the Rotary network.** RAGFP promises to create educational materials that enhance peace action. Our monthly newsletters, **Together for Peace** webinar series, workshops, **Activate Positive Peace** workbook, and the **Peace Primer** are just a few examples of how we strive to provide educational content that **engages** peacebuilders, new and old, with the latest peace strategies and inspiration to build more peaceful communities around the world. Every educational material is created to **empower** the peacebuilders who use them to build lasting positive peace.  
RAGFP Programs include:

1. Become a member of the Rotary Action Group for Peace to be a part of the global network of peacebuilders.
2. The RAGFP Peacebuilder Club (PBC) program is an essential participant in Rotary's Peace Area of Focus. PBCs engage in positive peace projects and initiatives within their local communities and collaborate with other PBCs globally. With over 270 PBCs worldwide.
3. RAGFP Executive Director and Rotary Peace Fellow, Reem Ghunaim, created the Together for Peace (TFP) webinar series to educate, engage, and empower global peacebuilders to take action for peace. Reem interviews peacebuilders from all professional sectors to shed light on innovative solutions for peace, inspiring all of us to take action for peace.
4. RAGFP presents and hosts several educational workshops for peacebuilders and the Rotary community around the world. Workshops have been presented internationally to promote peace education and inspire peace action.
5. RAGFP hosts several physical and virtual events that raise the profile of global peace action. Each event is created to honor peacebuilders, provide networking and friendship-building opportunities, as well as build strong actions for real peace action.
6. RAGFP strives on providing content that inspires, educates, and empowers for sustainable peace action. From our monthly newsletters, social media feeds, and website posts, RAGFP is full of useful information, strategies, and inspiration for your next peace project. submitted and curated by RAGFP peacebuilders.

Ron concluded his presentation by stating that our club could easily make the transition to becoming a "Peace Club" and suggested we dedicate this designation in honor of Monica's grandfather Abe Price, a Holocaust Survivor. Monica plans to present the idea to the Club's Board for consideration.  
**Rotary Action Group for Peace**  
221 NW 2nd Ave., Suite 204  
Portland, OR 97209  
USA  
[contact@rotariansforpeace.org](mailto:contact@rotariansforpeace.org)

**Next week's Meeting:**  
Next week's meeting will include classification talks from selected Club Rotarians.

**Annual Thirty Second Auction for Polio Eradication**

By David Anders on Tuesday, December 27, 2022

**The Rotary Club of Greenfield's Annual Thirty Second Auction**

Each Year at Christmas time, The Rotary Club of Greenfield's members donate gifts, which are auctioned at one of our club meetings. Our cherished Rotarian, Wayne Addison, who is a professional auctioneer conducts the auction. Since our club meetings are only 60 minutes, Wayne has just 30 seconds to auction off each item. Most auctioneers could not meet that challenge, but Wayne has been successfully doing it for many years.





Wayne Addison, Auctioneer Extraordinaire

For the last few years, Barbara Anders, an Honorary Rotarian has served as chairperson for this event. She collects the gifts, inventories them, prepares bid sheets for the members listing each item. Then the day of the auction, her elves and herself assist Wayne in displaying and promoting each item. This year a great deal of thanks goes out to Chantel Fowler, Kim Hall, Sherry Haines, and Karen Willis who worked as the elves for this project. Tony Campbell does a masterful job as our official 30-second timer. Also, thanks go out to Dave Anders, Linda Jones, and Hart Summeier, who recorded all the winning bids and collected funds from the winners.



Kim, Karen, Barbara, Chantel and Sherry, Our Christmas Elves

Adam Jurs, our Rotary Foundation Chairperson compiles a report to our Central Indiana Rotary District 6560 reflecting which Rotarians made donations. This entitles them to points toward their Paul Harris Fellow.



Jim, Linda and Barbara, the Rum Cake Rumble

This year, there were 50 items up for auction. Liquor and home-baked goods seem to draw the top bids. Each year there is usually some perennial competitors bidding for chocolate items and rum cake. Linda Jones and Jim Greig have been battling for the last few years over Barbara Anders' rum cake. These two collectively bid \$800 for 2 rum cakes. Of course, Barbara did not tell these two warriors that she made a cake in reserve. Apparently, she ran out of the auction and baked the second cake for Linda. When she returned with an apron and had flour all over her face, she told Linda she would have been quicker, but the babe in her "Easy Bake Oven" apparently burned out and she had to replace it. What some people will do to get a laugh!

Our goal was to raise \$6,000 for the Rotary Foundation's Polio-Plus Fund established to help eradicate polio in the world. When all items were auctioned, we tabulated bids totaling \$4,700. That did not stop us however from falling short of our goal. One Rotarian proclaimed, "Let's keep this thing going" and proceeded to donate 2 more bottles of Blanton's Bourbon, which sold for \$420. Following this act of generosity 9 Rotarians stepped forward and donated 1,020 in cash. At the end of the day, our club raised \$6,140 for the Polio Plus Fund... **"Mission Accomplished"**.

With matching funds from the Gates Foundation, Rotary International is very close to fulfilling our mission of eradicating polio. There are two countries in the world, who have reported transmission of the wild polio virus; they are Afghanistan and Pakistan. In 2021 Afghanistan reported 5 cases and Pakistan 1 case. In 2022, there are 22 cases reported. There were 2 cases in Afghanistan and 20 in Pakistan. Most of the cases in Pakistan are in the southern region of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, where many of the children have never been vaccinated. Despite attacks on inoculation volunteers, Pakistan has launched a new anti-polio campaign.

Can you imagine a world without polio? We can't.

## The Twenty-Fourth Annual Gift of Life Auction

By David Anders on Thursday, August 25, 2022



The Rotary Club of Greenfield is at work preparing for their 24th Annual Gift of Life (GOL) Auction which will be held on April 22, 2023, at the Community Life Center on East Washington Street. Proceeds from the GOL Auction help fund medical missions to under-developed countries for children with life-threatening heart conditions. These medical missions also serve as training for local doctors and nurses, so they can conduct these sophisticated surgeries on children. We often take the proceeds and request matching grants from the District, Rotary International and other outside organizations. One year our profits of \$40,000 were transformed into \$180,000 with the help of matching grants. There are times, however, when medical facilities in an underdeveloped area cannot accommodate these heart surgeries. In those situations, we will help fund travel for a child to Riley's Children Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House. Over the years our club has helped raise over \$1,000,000 for the Gift of Life Program. This project and fundraiser has come to define our club and has become a part of our legacy.

We cannot pull this project off without the full support of every member of our club, our family, and friends. We are accepting donated gifts for the auction. This event is open to the public and tickets can be purchased by contacting our co-chairperson, Chantel Fowler at 317-462-2404 or stopping by Miller's Jewelry and speaking with co-chairperson, Sherry Haines.

Our club just donated \$5,000 to fund the Riley Medical Team's medical mission to Aman Jordan, in December 2022.

- Gift of Life Most Wanted List
- Live Auction Items Needed:
- Sporting goods, bikes, exercise equipment
  - The latest in technology
  - Concert or Production Tickets
  - Race Tickets
  - Anything Featured on HGTV (Landscape Items or Interior Decorating Items)
  - Autographed items from sports and entertainment celebrities.
  - Original Artwork
  - Original Wood crafted items (benches, trellis, etc.)
  - Themed Dinners
  - Themed Outings or Adventures
  - Trips
  - Vacation Rentals
  - Home Security Doorbells, Cameras or Packaged Systems
  - Weekend Getaways
- Silent Auction Items Needed:

- Men-cave Items
- Shee-shack Items
- Ring Video Door Bell
- Spa Treatment
- Break-out Experiences
- Group Wine, Whiskey or Beer Tastings
- Adult Beverages
- Jewelry
- Musical Instruments

Tickets have not gone on sale yet, but this story and ticket information will be provided in the near future.

To learn more about the Gift of Life and the 46 year affiliation with Rotary International click on the following link:

<https://www.giftoflifeforinternational.org/about-us/who-we-are/>