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**May 22, 2024**

**Brew Link Brewpub, Wednesdays**

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# ROTARY CLUB OF PLAINFIELD

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## Memorial Day 2024



This weekend we as Americans have a special day set aside to remember and reflect on all those brave souls who lost their lives in defense of our country - in defense of us. Those of us who share the passion of motor-sport and attend

the Indianapolis 500 are privileged to honor those brave souls in a unique way. Hearing a lone bugler playing Taps at the Speedway's starting line, bringing more than 300,000 people to a silence, his mournful tune echoing across the vast expanse of the 2.5 mile oval, is indeed a very unique, solemn, and lump-in-the-throat-generating experience. This step in the 500's pre-race build-up is the final of three Memorial Day recognition activities at the Speedway. First, the recitation of a remembrance originated many years ago by the late IMS Public Address announcer Jim Phillippe. It goes like this:

"On this Memorial Day weekend, we pause here, in a moment of silence to pay homage to those individuals, who have given their lives, unselfishly and unafraid, to make it possible for us, as free men and women, to enjoy the world's greatest sporting event.

"We also pay homage to those individuals, who have given their lives, unselfishly and without fear, to make racing the world's most spectacular spectator sport."

Following Jim's beautiful words, seven Army riflemen offer the traditional 21-gun salute to the fallen, each firing three volleys. My family's seats for the race are close enough to the platform where this tribute is made that we can hear the shots ourselves, while also hearing the public address speakers repeat those sounds a fraction of a second later - again offering a haunting echo effect.

The Good Lord willing and the creek don't rise, this coming Sunday I will attend my 56th consecutive Indy 500 - what keeps me coming back year after year? The speed, the sound, the color, the overall pageantry of the race's pre-race activities are all powerful intoxicants that lure this race fan, but I have concluded that what really means the most to me and keeps me coming back are the very special and solemn ways that this great sporting event honors American's most special people.

Wherever you are this Memorial Day weekend, I hope you will be safe and will take time to remember Our Nation's Fallen, thank them, and thank God you live in the planet's greatest country.

Thanks for listening...

## Charlie's \$2 Worth

### ON MEMORIAL DAY...

*"Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy forget in time that men have died to win them." - Franklin D. Roosevelt*

*"If words cannot repay the debt we owe these men, surely with our actions we must strive to keep faith with them and with the vision that led them to battle and to final sacrifice." - Ronald Reagan*

*"No man is entitled to the blessings of freedom unless he be vigilant in its preservation." - General Douglas MacArthur*

*"Our obligations to our country never cease but with our lives." - John Adams*

*"Let their remembrance be as lasting as the land they honored." - Daniel Webster*

*"Never was so much owed by so many to so few." - Winston Churchill*

*"And they who for their country die shall fill an honored grave, for glory lights the soldier's tomb, and beauty weeps the brave." - Joseph Rodman Drake*

*"Spirit, that made those heroes dare  
To die, and leave their children free,  
Bid Time and Nature gently spare  
The shaft we raise to them and thee."  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson*

## Upcoming Speakers/Events

- May 22 - Reann Poray - Jeannine Spurgin, Plainfield Library
- May 29 - John Graham - Keith Bradbury, Who Nation
- Jun 5 - John Baer - Robin Brandgard, Town Council Pres.
- June 12 - Board Meeting - all Club members welcome
- June 19 - Bob Sands
- June 26 - no meeting in lieu of Year-end Meeting
- June 27 - Year-end Awards Meeting & Social at Brew Link
- July 3 - no meeting for Independence Day holiday
- July 10 - Board Meeting - all Club members welcome
- July 17 - Andrew Klinger
- July 24 - Royce Carter
- July 31 - Ryan Rash

## Club Meeting Attendance

Plainfield (3417)

Monthly Attendance Detail

Apr 01, 2024 through Apr 30, 2024

Member Name	Apr 3 2024	Apr 10 2024	Apr 17 2024	Apr 24 2024	%
Ament, Susan Beth	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
Baer, Janet S	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
Baer, John M	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
Bennett, Joseph D	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
Burks, Diane Arnold	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
Carter, Royce	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
Culp, Brian N	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
DuBois, Brad	Y	Y	M	Y	100
Emerson, Donnie		Y			25
Graham, John	M	Y		Y	75
Hank, Max C	Y	Y	Y	M	100
Kinnamon, Daniel L			Y	Y	50
Klinger, Andrew					0
Lewis, Selina J					0
Olinger, Scott				Y	25
Poray, Reann			Y		25
Rash, Ryan Allen					0
Sands, Robert L II					0
Sichting, Sherry D	Y	Y	Y	M	100
Turner, Dean F Jr.	Y			Y	50

LEGEND: Y or Yes=Attended, X=Excused Absence, M=Make-Up



## UPCOMING SPEAKER ASSIGNMENTS

Please carefully examine the schedule below and let Max Hank know who you have obtained as a speaker for your date.

Jan 3	Brian Culp	Jun 26	Donnie Emerson
Jan 17	Max Hank	Jul 17	Andrew Klinger
Jan 24	Bob Sands	Jul 24	Royce Carter
Jan 31	Andrew Klinger	Jul 31	Ryan Rash
Feb 7		Aug 7	Sherry Sichting
Feb 21	Scott Olinger	Aug 21	Brad DuBois
Feb 28	Ryan Rash	Aug 28	Reann Poray
Mar 6	Donnie Emerson	Sep 4	Diane Burks
Mar 20	Royce Carter	Sep 18	Scott Olinger
Mar 27	Diane Burks	Sep 25	Max Hank
Apr 3	Joe Bennett	Oct 2	Susan Ament
Apr 17	Sherry Sichting	Oct 16	John Graham
Apr 24	Brad DuBois	Oct 23	Rocky Turner
May 1	Susan Ament	Oct 30	Daniel Kinnamon
May 15	Rocky Turner	Nov 6	Joe Bennett
May 22	Reann Poray	Nov 20	John Baer
May 29	John Graham	Dec 4	Jan Baer
Jun 5	John Baer	Dec 18	Bob Sands
Jun 19	Bob Sands		

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**  
**MAY**

**Dennis Reagle - May 14**

## Little Free Library Maintenance Schedule

May 22-28 - Brian Culp  
May 29-Jun 4 - John + Jan Baer  
Jun 5-11 - Reann Poray  
Jun 12-18 - Diane Burks  
Jun 19-25 - Joe Bennett  
Jun 26-Jul 2 - Reann Poray  
Jul 3-9 - Max Hank  
Jul 10-16 - Sherry Sichting  
Jul 17-23 - Max Hank

Please check supply, refill as needed.  
Report any damage to Joe Bennett.  
Books are available at the Library.

SPEED BUMP



## Committees and Chairs

**Bulletin:** Max Hank

**Finance:** Joe Bennett

**Foundation:** John Baer

**Fundraising :**

**Golf Outing:** John Baer, Brad Dubois

**Crew Car Wash:** Sherry Sichting

**Membership:** Daniel Kinnamon

**Orientation:** John Baer & Diane Burks

**Programs:** Daniel Kinnamon

**PR & Website:** John Baer

**Quaker Day Parade & Picnic:** TBD

**Service Committees:** Royce Carter

**Literacy/LFL:** Joe Bennett

**Teacher of the Year:** Max Hank

**Youth:** Diane Burks

**Interact and RYLA:** Diane Burks

**Scholarships:** Max Hank

**Straight-A Salute:** Sherry Sichting

**The Imagination & Idea Labs:** Diane Burks

## 4-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?**

**(5. IS IT FUN?)**