

# Rotary



## Club of Johnson City

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Contact

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Area Governor

### Birthdays

Michael Hensley  
December 7th

Adam  
Haselsteiner  
December 19th

Lori DeVoti

## Dr Ben Scharfstein-Advance Robtics Surgery

By David Strickland on Tuesday, December 6, 2022



? Dr. Ben Scharfstein is a Johnson City native who graduated from Science Hill High School. He then graduated with his undergraduate degree from Vanderbilt and received his medical degree from the University of Tennessee Medical School. He then returned to East Tennessee for his surgical residency at ETSU. His practice began in Bristol where he has served as Chief of Staff, Medical Director of Trauma, and several other committees and boards. He currently resides in Piney Flats with his gorgeous, smart, and talented wife Sarah, their 3 boys, and 4 dogs. Dr. Scharfstein is a leader in robotic surgery in our area and will be discussing advances in robotic surgery.

## Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed!

By David Strickland on Monday, November 7, 2022



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## History of the Red Kettle

In 1891, Salvation Army Captain Joseph McFee was distraught because so many poor individuals in San Francisco were going hungry. During the holiday season, he resolved to provide a free Christmas dinner for the destitute and poverty-stricken. He only had one major hurdle to overcome -- funding the project.

Where would the money come from, he wondered. He lay awake nights, worrying, thinking,

December 23rd  
Shelley  
Brouillette  
December 24th  
Kevin Harkness  
December 27th  
Jonathan  
Hatcher  
December 28th  
Jeffrey W.  
Anderson  
December 29th  
James D. Moody  
December 29th  
Amy Hartley  
December 30th  
Preston W.  
Eldred  
December 30th

## Wedding Anniversaries

Richard Scott  
Jeffress  
December 11th  
David Brown  
December 11th  
Angeline V.  
Bailey  
December 24th  
Robert D.  
Sampson  
December 24th  
Daniel R.  
Schumaier  
December 30th  
Patricia C.  
Oldham  
December 30th  
Cathy Ball  
December 31st  
Joy Garland  
January 2nd

praying about how he could find the funds to fulfill his commitment of feeding 1,000 of the city's poorest individuals on Christmas Day. As he pondered the issue, his thoughts drifted back to his sailor days in Liverpool, England. He remembered how at Stage Landing, where the boats came in, there was a large, iron kettle called "Simpson's Pot" into which passers-by tossed a coin or two to help the poor.

The next day Captain McFee placed a similar pot at the Oakland Ferry Landing at the foot of Market Street. Beside the pot, he placed a sign that read, "Keep the Pot Boiling." He soon had the money to see that the needy people were properly fed at Christmas.

Please sign up so that we may show "SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

## ZOOM Login Information



### Rotary Club of Johnson City Zoom meeting information.

12:00 PM Eastern every Tuesday

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87262952174?pwd=Z25UMOV1UGRWaitmdVIURVB2ckJhUT09>

One tap mobile: +16465588656,,87262952174#,,,,\*783335# US (New York)

Other telephone: +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 872 6295 2174

Passcode: 783335

## Johnson City Rotary Christmas Party-Wed Dec 7th Tennessee Hills

By David Strickland on Tuesday, December 6, 2022

**Come join the Christmas cheer with fellow Rotarians on Wednesday Dec 7th at Tennessee Hills Brewstillery 458 West Walnut St in Johnson City from 5:30-7:30 pm. Wear your best holiday costume, your Santa hat, or your favorite holiday sweater!!! Come enjoy a great game of trivia and a chance for \$1 million dollars!!!!**



Merry Christmas!

## Johnson City Rotary Board Members-Paul Harris Fellow

By David Strickland on Tuesday, December 6, 2022



Congratulations to our board members, Ashley Grindstaff, Cyrus Fees, Shawn Stahmer, Paul Helpinstine for being honored with your Paul Harris Fellow!

## November Rotary Social Loads of Fun

By David Strickland on Tuesday, December 6, 2022

**What a successful Rotary social at Tiebreakers in Johnson City!!! We had about 40 Rotarians and a couple of visitors who attended and enjoyed great pizza, did some bowling and tried out loads of fun games! Thank you Raleigh for all your work on this great event!!!**

## New Member Form: Quick and Easy

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### Speakers

### Events

No Events found

## Club Meeting

Johnson City  
Meets at Johnson City Country Club  
1901 E Unaka Ave  
Johnson City, TN 37601  
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM