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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,



Greetings to the club. I have a few items of business to share with you.

First, with COVID-19 case rates dropping, we will resume in person meetings starting this Tuesday. If you cannot attend in person, you can still participate via Zoom. For those that attend in person, continue wearing masks, social distancing and washing hands. I really appreciate the commitment our members have to keeping each other safe and healthy.

Our Rotary Has Heart project is underway. This is where we provide small food items to children who otherwise lack adequate food supply after school or on the weekends. Once again we will partner with Emerald City Rotary Club to pack the food bags on Thursday March 11 in the Northside Baptist Church gym.

Please provide monetary donations to Sam Leaman and sign the donation sheet.

I will ask for volunteers to pack as the date grows nearer. While monetary donations is the easiest way we can do this project, you may also bring food items in lieu of money. Items needed: fruit cups, spaghetti, beanie weenie, raviolis (all these in small cans with pop tops), raisins, juice boxes or Capri Suns, suckers, and small instant mac and cheese.

Food relief is a much needed effort right now locally and world-wide. To provide aide, our club donated \$1,500 to Rise Against Hunger and plans to donate \$4,500 to the Greenwood County Food Bank. \$3,000 of these dollars are from a district grant we received. This is a great perk of giving to the Annual Fund as it makes us eligible to apply for grants.

A gift of \$25 during this Rotary year ending June 30 will draw us nearer to our goal of becoming an EREY club. If you haven't donated, would you consider donating at our next meeting?

The golf tournament is April 22, 2021. Please sign on as a sponsor if you are able. Also help sell sponsorships. The money raised goes to support needs in our local community.

As we move forward with vaccinations, let's re-center our focus on service. There is something for all

of us to do. Let us not forget why we started.

In Rotary,

Pamela Vaughn
Club President

Last Meeting Highlights

By Kendall Miles Gunter on Monday, February 8, 2021

Club Program January 26th

Virtual Guest Speaker - Laura Bachinski, Owner of Main and Maxwell in Uptown Greenwood
"From Mud to Mug"



On Tuesday, January 26th, our club virtually welcomed Laura Bachinski, owner of Main and Maxwell located in Uptown Greenwood, to discuss the clay culture within the Greenwood community.

Service Projects

By Kendall Miles Gunter

Service Projects



SERVICE Above Self

February 2021

Rotary Has Heart

Sam Leaman is chairing this project. Food packing will be this **Thursday evening, February 11, 2021** in the Northside Baptist gym with Emerald City Rotary Club as our partner once again. Packing takes 2 hours. I will ask for volunteers closer to that date.

At this time if you could bring monetary donations, that would be best. That way we can buy the food all at one time and avoid having to transport and offload it several times. If you would rather donate the food though, we will gladly accept that too.

Please drop off your donations in the lobby tomorrow and sign the donation sheet so our club can get credit. This offers food to children when they are not at school, as oftentimes they would not have access to food at home.

Food items include: fruit cups, juice boxes or Capri Suns, suckers, small macaroni cups, beanie weenie, small spaghetti or ravioli cans, and raisins.

Club News

Meeting In Person and Zoom

Our February 9th meeting will be in person and via Zoom. It will be recorded and posted to our Facebook page ([Rotary Club of Greenwood](#)).

Please join us on Zoom.



Topic: Greenwood Rotary Club Meeting

Time: Feb 9, 2021 12:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Click on the following link to join:

[GRC Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: 839 2738 6564

Passcode: 625881

Dial by your location

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

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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.

Rotary International News

1-Feb-2021

The Rotary International Board of Directors has decided not to fund any expenses (travel or otherwise) for in-person meetings for Rotary leaders for the rest of this Rotary year, other than for the president, president-elect, and trustee chair.

The Board also agreed to conduct all of its meetings and RI committee meetings virtually for the rest of the Rotary year; and we will be holding the 2021 Rotary Convention virtually.

The directors made this difficult decision out of an abundance of caution  and in keeping with Rotary's commitment to protect the health of our members, our employees, and our families. With the coronavirus pandemic still raging in many part of the world, and extensive public health measures and travel restrictions in place, Rotary has a clear responsibility in mitigating the threat of COVID-19, as an organization that is at the forefront of polio eradication efforts and fighting other diseases.

Membership Committee Report

By Samuel Madden Leaman III on Sunday, January 24, 2021

NEW MEMBERS HELP US KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR

We are pleased to welcome these two new members to our club.

- Barbara Ann Heegan is the new President and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce. She was the President of the Ostego County Chamber before accepting the chamber position in Greenwood. Barbara Ann is a past president of the Oneonta Rotary Club in Oneonta, NY. She is proposed for membership by Jeff Smith.
- Dr. Michael (Mick) Fekula is the new Starnes Family Dean, College of Business at Lander University. Prior to his move to Lander, Mick was the Dean of the School of Business Administration at USC Aiken. He is also a former member of the Rotary Club of Aiken. He is proposed for membership through transfer.

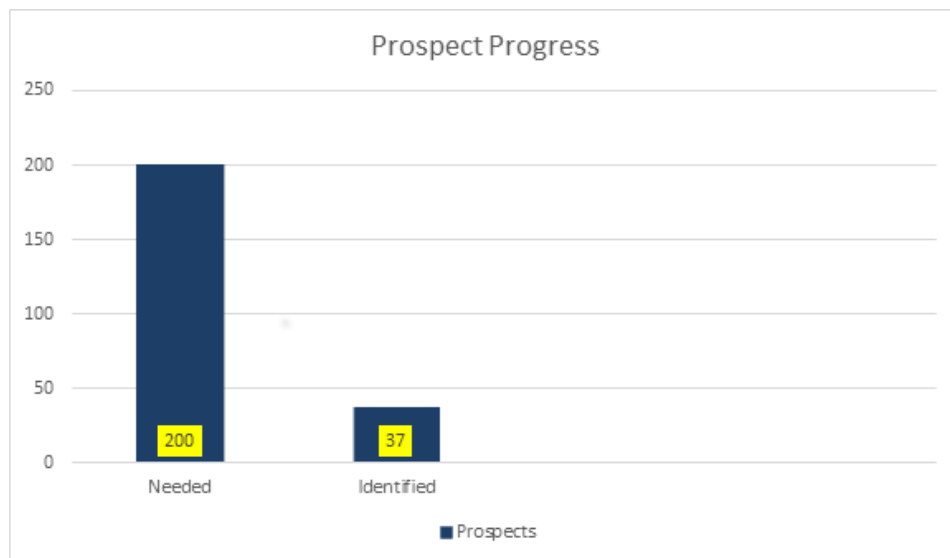
Be on the lookout for these two to be introduced officially at an upcoming meeting.

PROSPECTS 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 individuals 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:

Net Membership Gain Goal: **+3**

Start	Added	Terminated	Current	Gain
113	4	7	110	-3

Charity Committee Highlights

By Watson L. Dorn Jr. on Thursday, February 4, 2021





The Rotary Foundation Report

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	\$6,567	46%
PolioPlus	\$4,255	\$5,877	138%
PHF or increased level	10	21	210%

New Benefactors	2	1	50%
EREY	106	37	35%
All Time Giving to TRF	\$500,000	\$496,863	(\$3,137)

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).

Upcoming Programs

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Feb. 9, 2021 Getting to Know Our New Members

Feb. 23, 2021 Governor's School for Agriculture

Mar. 9, 2021 Women in Rotary (Mamie Nicholson)

Mar. 23, 2021 Cokesbury College Update (Carol Scales/Rob Jones)

Birthdays



Rufus T. Dunlap
January 27th



Lesley B. Lane
January 28th



Jeff W. Chapman
January 30th



George H. McKinney II
February 3rd



Richard M. Greene
February 5th



Steve Glenn
February 8th

Years of Service



Tiffany Freese
5 Years

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Four
Way
Test



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?