



Rotary Club of Barnesville Newsletter

Club 4111, District 6900, Chartered February 14, 1939

April, 2016



New Members Grow the Club

Spring is a time we expect to see growth. Trees bud out, flowers begin to bloom, and birds start nesting. So we are not surprised to see our club growing this time of year. Thanks to the personal recruiting efforts of many of you we are one of the few Rotary clubs that are growing by more than one member a year.

Earlier this year Bryan Clanton, Frank Usher,



and Kellie Mercer joined our club. More recently Tonya Horton joined our club after moving back to the community. And during March we had a double induction ceremony for Tammie Merritt, the 2016 Career Woman of the Year, and Sandra Puckett, recently retired and becoming much more involved in the community.

The Red Badge program is a way of helping these



new members get up to speed quickly. For the first six months they will wear red name badges at Rotary meetings. They will serve as greeters and assist with other activities to help them meet

April Programs

5 Apr	Mark Rischbieter
12 Apr	Kent Kingsley
19 Apr	Molly Shiver
26 Apr	Doug Smith

May Programs

3 May	Paul Stinson
10 May	Robbie Tenney
17 May	Bob Taylor
24 May	Mark Stone
31 May	Scott Tenney

all of the members of the club. You can help too by making sure that you take some time to talk to the



new members, make them feel welcome into the club, and answer any questions they may have.

Growth indicates strength and by all indications the Rotary Club of Barnesville is very strong. We

can be proud of our Club and what we have been able to do within the community, across the District, and even internationally. Help these new members understand how they too



can make a difference and be a gift to the world!



April Birthdays



Dorothy Carter	13 Apr
Robbie Tenney	27 Apr

ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

- 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?**

2015-2016 Rotary Officers

District & International

Rotary International President
 District 6900 Governor
 District 6900 Assistant Governor
 District 6900 Governor Elect
 District 6900 Governor Nominee

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran
 Bob Hagan
 Stephanie Windham
 Raymond Ray



DG Elect

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Barnesville Rotary Officers

President Kelly Hughes
 President Elect Missy Kendrick
 Secretary Larry Collins
 Treasurer April Mason
 Sergeant At Arms Jason Governo
 Past President Ryran Traylor
 President Nominee Mark Rischbieter
 Programs Dan Gunter
 Membership Chair Dorothy Carter

Avenues of Service

Foundation Chair
 Fund Raising Chair
 Awards Chair
 Interact Club
 Rotoract Club
 Community & Club Service
 Long Range Planning Chair
 Literacy Chair
 Publicity Chair/Facebook
 Newsletter
 Sunshine
 Music
 Webmaster

Chase Idol
 Brandon Yarbrough
 Jason Governo/Missy Kendrick
 Missy Kendrick
 Dennis Chamberlain
 Sherry Farr
 Phillip Breedlove
 Kristen Albritton
 Debbie Adamson
 Charles Glass
 Bill Lindsey
 Walter Geiger
 Jason Governo

Barnesville Rotary Directors

Dennis Chamberlain Dan Gunter
 Jute Wilson Phillip Breedlove

President's Message

Hello Rotarians,

You make me feel so young; you make feel as though Spring has sprung, and every time I see you grin, I'm such a happy individual...Frank Sinatra. Happy Spring! How can I not grin when I think about each of you and the incredible year we've had so far?

Plans are being made for the District Conference that will be held in Hilton Head, South Carolina on April 21 -24. We have 6 club members who will be attending: Kelly, Missy, Bob, Mark S., Dorothy and Tonya. Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers. We plan to represent the Rotary Club of Barnesville and District 6900 in a dynamic way. I am thankful for all of our club accomplishments and for the recipients of your kindness and goodwill. You have been "a gift to the world" this year. I am very appreciative to this year's leadership team for all your help and support. You have been phenomenal!!! Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Many of our upcoming leadership team has gathered to begin the process of building a successful Rotary year for 2016-2017. I am thankful for all of you who have taken the opportunity to serve our club in specific leadership roles. Our club has a great future. Go Madam President Missy!

Don't forget our Camp Grace work day coming up on Saturday, April 9th, 9:00-3:00. This is a great opportunity to show "service above self" in an impactful and rewarding way. Please make every effort to join us! I promise you will be blessed! Remember you can register early (between May 28th and June 6th) at a discount price for the Rotary International Convention that will be held in Atlanta, Georgia June 10 – 14, 2017. What a wonderful opportunity to experience the International World of Rotary right here in our backyard.

Let's continue to bloom where we are planted!

With Appreciation,
 Kelly



Camp Grace Work Day

We are planning another work day this Saturday (Apr 9th) at Camp Grace. Bob Taylor is heading up a group that will be on site there in Crawford County from 9am to 3pm. He is still looking for more hands so if you are available contact Bob for details and travel arrangements. The plan is to meet at the Library at 7:30pm to caravan down there. Our task for the day is to work on some decking so bring a drill/screw gun if you have one. Other jobs are available in case you are not comfortable with the deck crew.

Camp Grace provides youth from urban areas (including ours) a retreat that offers a safe, comfortable opportunity to try new things, to learn about nature and the outdoors, and most of all build their self-confidence and hope. It is a wonderful program that is making a difference in the lives of our youth. Your time and effort will be greatly appreciated and deeply rewarding so talk to Bob about joining the effort!

Rotary International Convention

from RI via rotaryconvention2017.org

Thousands of Rotarians from around the world will visit Atlanta during the 2017 Rotary International convention. The Rotary Foundation started in Atlanta in 1917 and the annual conference will celebrate the organization's 100th anniversary.



“Hosting the 2017 Rotary International convention is a big win for Atlanta and the state of Georgia,” said William Pate, president & CEO of Atlanta Convention & Visitors Bureau (ACVB). “Statewide

support from Rotarian leaders strengthened the city's proposal and helped Atlanta to stand out from the competition.”

Atlanta's bid was supported by 12,500 Rotarians with the Atlanta Rotary Club and Spurgeon Richardson, former ACVB President & CEO, leading the effort. Richardson is a Rotarian and retired from the ACVB after 17 years of service. In addition to beginning in the city, prominent Atlanta leaders have served as charter members including Atlanta Journal-Constitution editor Henry Grady and former Atlanta mayor, Ivan Allan.

The 2017 Rotary International convention will be held at the Georgia World Congress Center, June 10-14, 2017 and generate 41,000 hotel rooms. The worldwide organization serves as an advocate to governments and provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards and helps build goodwill and peace around the world.

Most importantly, you can register at a discount between May 28th and June 6th. Having the Convention in our back yard is a once in a lifetime opportunity so we should all consider participating this time.

- ❖ The 108th Annual Rotary International Convention will be held in Atlanta, Georgia on June 10 – 14, 2017.
- ❖ The convention will mark the 100th Anniversary of the announcement of the Rotary International Foundation made at the RI Convention also held in Atlanta in 1917.
- ❖ The convention is expected to draw thousands of visitors from more than 150 countries to Atlanta and the Southeast.
- ❖ The RI Convention is often described as a “mini-United Nations” because of its internationality. Rotary has more than 34,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic regions.

Paul Harris Fellows



In March Assistant District Governor Stephanie Windham came by to help recognize some new Paul Harris Fellows. Two new Fellows were recognized: Dora Cox and Frank Usher. Jute Wilson was recognized back in December but his paperwork and PHF pin were unavailable at that time so we was presented with them by ADG Stephanie. And as a bonus



recognition Joe Edwards was awarded a pin recognizing him as a Paul Harris Fellow Plus Two!



Thank you to all of the Paul Harris Fellows in our club and the several of you that are Plus One or more. We are well on the way to becoming a 100% Paul Harris Fellows club. Remember that half of the money donated to the Foundation comes back to us in three years in the form of our District Grant. That is a key portion of our ability to give back to the community. Remember that this year we sent medicines to the Ukraine with Sherry Farr, we provided dictionaries to all 3rd Graders in the county, we took new blankets to Heritage Inn for all of their residents, and we packed 65 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. If you want more information about becoming a Paul Harris Fellow ask Chase Idol for more details

about one more way to make a difference in the community and in the world.

District Assembly

Our incoming leadership team attended District Assembly last weekend in Columbus. Each member participated in seminars specific to their area of service in preparation for our upcoming Rotary year. DGE Raymond Ray has challenged us to "dare to be better". Another thing they learned was that the district website www.rotary6900.org has been revamped and will be much easier for Rotarians. This website also syncs with the RI website www.rotary.org.



What is in our Future?

There are several events coming up for our club. Mark these dates on your calendar! If you have an event you want to add to the list let a club officer know.

- Every Thursday at 6pm is the Cash 3 drawing, which drives our Gun Raffle. So far we have given away 20 of the 45 planned guns for a total of \$11,656 in guns or cash to the winners.
- Third Friday of each month, Noon at the Senior Center – monthly birthdays celebration
- April 9th, 9am to 3pm, Work Day at Camp Grace, contact Bob Taylor
- April 21-24, Rotary District 6900 Conference at Hilton Head Marriott Resort & Spa.
- June 10-14, 2017, **Rotary International Convention** in Atlanta celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Paul Harris Foundation. For more information, including a short video, see the [web page](#). Don't forget to reserve your square in the [Inches for Arch](#) fundraiser.



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