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Future Programs:

February 12th

John Callahan will introduce Trudy Rupska, executive director of hospice of the Wabash Valley, and Tracy Rippy who will discuss a new in-patient unit.

February 19th

The housing market will be discussed by Brandon Henman. Henman will be introduced by Melissa McCullough.

February 26th

Craig McKee will introduce Molly Chavers of the Terre Haute Young Leaders Organization. Our club and the Young Leaders will have a joint meeting.



www.throtary.org

What is dacdb.com?

If you don't know, the web site is the source for information about our club and Rotary District 6580. Click on the My Club link on the command line and you can access information about each of our club members. The information includes e-mail addresses, club positions held, year of Rotary induction and addresses about each members. It also lists officers, board members and photos of

most members. You can update your information via this database. In addition, the link shows club demographics, a list of new members and those who have withdrawn from the club. The club link provides information about each of the 32 clubs in District 6580.

2019-20 Club Officers and Board Members

Nick Mahurin and Kim Perkins will become club president and president elect July 1. Sally Stewart will be the new vice president, Jane Nichols will continue as secretary and long-time treasurer Mike Collins will remain in that role. Board members elected to serve until 2021 are Dorothy Chambers,

Thom Foster, Kim LaGrange, Melissa McCullough, Stephanie Welsh and Mike Licari. Members of the board whose terms will end July 1, 2020 are Bill Aubin, Kim Ingalsbe, Bryan Horsman, Holden Davis, Bobby Moore and David Bolk.

Foundation Grants Total \$7,088

Eight local non-profit organizations received donations totaling \$7,088 from our club foundation that will support food pantry programs, youth activities, and provide clothing and dental supplies for children. The gifts, awarded Jan. 22, are distributed annually because of donations from every club member.

The largest donation was \$1,250 to the West Vigo Community Center to support its youth basketball leagues.

Grants of \$1,000 each

were distributed to the League of Terre Haute for clothing and dental supplies for children; and to the Catholic Charities Christmas Store. The Griffin Bike Park received \$970 to purchase two trail bikes for underprivileged youth and for the costs of project to be completed by Rotarians during a service day activity. Repairs to a section of the roof at the Ryves Youth Center will be

possible through a \$900 grant. The repair will help reopen the center's computer lab for students to complete homework and for tutoring programs. Rotarians awarded \$750 to help sustain the 12 Points Brown Bag food program that provides meals for

senior citizens at Garfield Towers and the Warren Village. A \$525 grant was given to the Salvation Army to send 21 children and teens to the organization's summer camp.



Grants Committee Chair Richard Shagley, far left, with 2018 Rotary Grant recipients.

Thanks to Richard Shagley for chairing the grants committee. Other committee members were Nick Mahurin, Polly Jeffers, Cindy Cox, Bill Aubin and Neil Garrison. Grant applications from charitable organizations can be accepted each August by completing a form on the club's web site throtary.org. Applications are reviewed by a committee of Rotary members.

Did You Know Nearly 1,100 People Praised Rotary Recently?

If you liked our club's Facebook page you would know. The group photo of the recent grant recipients was liked by 1,058 people via the Terre Haute Rotary Facebook page.

The social media site is a useful way to keep current about club developments, especially if you miss a meeting or two.

Three New Rotarians Inducted; Two Others Approved for Membership

Jennifer Mullen, John Harvester and Richard Payonk are our three newest Rotarians. Jennifer is a senior lecturer in communications and public relations at Indiana State University. Jennifer was previously on the faculty at IUPUI. She was nominated by Paul Stanley. John Harvester is an agent for Allstate insurance. John's community involvement includes serving as a board member for Camp Wabashki and volunteering for the Red Cross and Team of Mercy. John was nominated for membership by Kim Perkins. Richard Payonk is the executive director of the six-county United Way of the Wabash Valley. He was named to the leadership position after retiring from a thirty-year career in engineering man-

agement. Richard is a Rose-Hulman graduate. He has volunteered as a campaign captain for the local Red Cross Save-the-Day campaign and has served as a member of the Rose-Hulman Department of Chemical Engineering Alumni Advisory Panel. Dave Piker nominated Richard to become a Rotarian.

Two nominees were approved for membership at the January board of directors meeting. They are Jack Jaeger, director of the Rural Health Innovation Collaborative Simulation Center at Union Hospital, and Logan Keith, a financial advisor for Edward Jones.



Jennifer Mullen



John Harvester



Richard Payonk

Happy Jar Proceeds to Benefit Local Charity

It is easy to forget the Happy Jar as you talk to the always friendly registration team as you pay and get your badge each Tuesday. However, don't forget, that on July 1, the money donated to the Happy Jar during the previous 12 months is given to a local charity. That's a perk for the outgoing president who gets to select a charity to receive the

Happy Jar proceeds. In the past, proceeds from the Happy Jar have resulted in a donation between \$1,300 and \$1,500. Last year's Happy Jar proceeds helped the Vigo County Education Foundation fund the Book Bingo literacy project at Farrington Grove Elementary School.

Easy Way to Improve Your Attendance

There are two simple ways to be complete meeting make ups and stay informed about Rotary. You can earn a make up by attending the club's monthly board meeting which rarely last more than one hour. Board meetings are the first Monday of the month at noon at the Goodwill Industries conference room on South Third Street. Or, you can use the

Rotary eClub One web site (rotaryclubone.org). Watch videos about international Rotary projects and/or read stories about the latest Rotary developments. Using the site, you can send an e-mail to either of our attendance co-chairs, Sally Stewart and Kim Ingalsbe, with a very brief summary of what you watched.

Catching Up on End-of-the-Year Projects

Thirty-two Rotarians served as Salvation Army bell ringers during the first Saturday in December. After tales of cold conditions of an outdoor assignment at Rural King, no doubt memories will be excellent this year when those Rotarians select Krogers or other locations where bell ringers are indoors. Thanks to Dave Myers for coordinating our Salvation Army partnership.

One of the largest donations of toys in many years was gathered in December thanks to 61 Rotarians and guests who attended the club's annual Christmas party. The toys helped Catholic Charities provide a happier holiday for children in Vigo County. Thanks to our long-time social chairwoman, Sally Stewart, for planning our Christmas party yet another year.



The always enthusiastic Bill Tennis at his Salvation Army post.



John Etling of Catholic Charities thanks 60 Rotarians and guests for their large donation of toys.