



Rotary Club of Barnesville Newsletter

Club 4111, District 6900, Chartered February 14, 1939

September, 2016



District Governor Raymond Ray

August was a very busy month for our club. Our new District Governor, Raymond Ray, came to our August 16th meeting to address our club. We were also recognizing our law enforcement groups that day and we had about 25 officers from the Sheriff's Office, Barnesville Police Department, and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

DG Raymond presented commemorative

September Programs

6 Sep	Dan Gunter
13 Sep	RYLA Program
20 Sep	Dennis Chamberlain
27 Sep	Rotoract/Interact

October Programs

4 Oct	Max Burns
11 Oct	CLUB ASSEMBLY
18 Oct	Andy Bush
25 Oct	Dorothy Carter



coins to Sheriff Brad White and Chief Chuck Keadle. He also recognized Jim Granum as a Korean War veteran (no WWII vets were in attendance that day).



DG Raymond told us about the theme for this year: *Rotary Serving Humanity*, and his theme: *Dare to be Better*. He also noted that he is a veteran and a public servant and he has tremendous respect for our military, our

law enforcement, and our public safety personnel. He felt honored to be a part of our law enforcement recognition luncheon.

August also introduced us to our new GRSP student, Anders Ramming from Denmark. Anders brought us a miniature pennant from his dad's club. Brian and Kelly Hughes are the primary host family and Anders is already attending classes at Gordon State College. It is great to be back in the GRSP program See *DG Visit*, pg 2



September Birthdays



Walter Geiger	9 September
Lewis Webb	21 September
April Mason	28 September

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	John Germ
District 6900 Governor	Raymond Ray
District 6900 Assistant Governor	Stephanie Windham
District 6900 Governor Elect	Alec Smythe
District 6900 Governor Nominee	Court Dowis, Jr.



**District Governor
Raymond Ray**

Barnesville Rotary Officers

President	Mark Rischbieter
President Elect	Larry Collins
Secretary	Kelly Hughes
Treasurer	Paul Stinson
Sergeant At Arms	Jason Governo
Past President	Kelly Hughes
President Nominee	Jason Governo
Programs	Dan Gunter
Membership Chair	Bryan Clanton

Avenues of Service

Foundation Chair	Chase Idol
Fund Raising Chair	Michael McMillan
New Generations	Dora Cox
Interact Club	Carol Parish
Rotoract Club	Dr. Brenda Johnson
Community & Club Service	Sherry Farr
International Convention	Phillip Bell
Literacy Chair	Kristen Albritton
Publicity Chair	Kellie Mercer
Newsletter	Charles Glass
Sunshine	Bill Lindsey
Music	Walter Geiger/Joe Bostwick
Webmaster	Jason Governo

Barnesville Rotary Directors

Dennis Chamberlain	Dan Gunter
Chase Idol	

President's Message

My Fellow Rotarians,

It is my privilege and honor to serve as your President for the remainder of this Rotary year. We all hate to see Missy go, but wish her well in her new endeavor. Missy has done a great job preparing the Club for a great year. She really has made my job easy. As many of you know, I am passionate about recognizing those who serve our community and this great nation. As September 11th approaches, I ask that you all take a moment to reflect on the sacrifices made by our men and women in uniform every day. As Rotarians we are compelled to give back to these heroes. The Club has some great things planned in the coming months. I look forward to working with all of you to support or military, law enforcement, and first responders.



Let's make this a great year! Dare to be Better!

Mark Rischbieter

DG Visit (cont. from Pg 1)

after a short hiatus. We look forward to hearing more from Anders during an upcoming program.

We had one new member join in August – Lori Grogan. Lori was sponsored by Kelly, the rest of us need to get on the stick and recruit some more members too.

We also had some sad news in August – our President, Missy Kendrick, has taken a job in Polk County with their IDA and she is leaving us. We are all sad to see her go, it will



leave a hole in our club and in the community that no one can fill. But we wish her all the best in her new adventure and we are counting on her staying in touch with us. To fill the Presidential role Mark Rischbieter, President Elect, stepped up and assumed the title early. Our goals and plans for the year are still in good hands as Mark had worked closely with Missy to prepare for this year.

As we start September we look forward to the rest of this great year, but we are keeping our fingers crossed that it won't be quite as busy as this past month.

Missy Kendrick

What are we going to do? Missy leaves a huge hole in our club, our community, and our lives.

She came to town as the new Director for the IDA. She brought a beautiful family and tremendous energy with her and joined Rotary right away. Before long she got involved in many other things and set to work on making the community better in countless ways.

She has been a volunteer at Buggy Days since she came to Barnesville and at BBQ & Blues since it started. She plays a key role in the events as she often takes on tasks that no one else wants.

She re-energized and greatly improved our Leadership Lamar program. The curriculum is more robust, includes more local businesses, and exposes students to other things outside the immediate community.

She has always been a part of the chancel choir (along with her kids) and bell choir at Barnesville FUMC.

She has been active in Rotary for years, helping out with all kinds of tasks even before she got involved with the leadership team.

She was one of the CERT members involved in search and rescue the morning of the tornado in 2011. Within a couple of days she took over coordination of the volunteer efforts. She also became one of the case managers and in that role she matched victims with the best resources to meet their needs. Missy is probably more responsible than any other individual for our recovery from the tornado.

She was Citizen of the Year in 2012.

She organized Manufacturer's Appreciation Month and a contest for school kids to express their appreciation in art for savings bond rewards.

She brought Piedmont Green Power to town. They are our largest property taxpayer and the construction of their plant employed lots of local citizens.

She helped Jordon Lumber and Enercon expand. She brought Norcom to the old Carter's facility along with several other businesses. She has conducted surveys with existing businesses to learn how we can help them out and she helps them apply for their tax incentives and exemptions so they can invest that much more in our community.

She helped develop the new industrial park on the bypass. She has hosted several bus tours for project managers and provided responses to countless requests for information from prospective projects. She coordinated several familiarization tours for local officials and citizens to understand what we have to offer and to see it from a prospect's viewpoint.

She brought her family to our community and each and every one of them has contributed in positive ways.

Missy we are going to miss you and your family more than you can imagine. Our only solace will be to remember all the ways that you made us better and try to continue along those paths. We wish you all the best in the world and we are grateful we were a part of your life!



Note from Rotoract Club

Thank you for your help in making the first Rotoract meeting fun and exciting. It looks like we will have between 15 and 20 members to start off the academic year. Several students emailed me that they were not able to attend this first meeting, but still wanted to be involved. And the members elected some excellent leadership.

Attached are photos for Rotary Newsletter, Facebook, and Linked-In accounts.....

Your investment has paid off! Thank you for all you do.



Brenda E. M. Johnson, PhD



Rotoract Visits

The Faculty advisor for Rotoract, Dr. Brenda Johnson, and several of the Rotoract members attended a recent meeting of our club. We are excited to have this level of interest and energy among the next generation of Rotarians. From left to right the picture includes Dr. Johnson, Lindsey Hoyt (BSMA), Trayvond Souder (BSMA), Leo Solomon (BSMA), Anders Ramming (General Studies) Rotary student from Faaborg, Denmark, Matthew Calvert (ASBA), Dr. Max Burns.

The club is off to a great start, electing leaders at the first meeting and planning their year of service. It looks like this is the largest club ever for our Rotoract chapter. We'll see and hear much more from them over the course of the year and we will work with them on some service projects.

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.

- The Gun Raffle (Round 2) begins again this month!
- September 9-11, GRSP Student Weekend at Clayton County Industrial Park
- September 16, Birthday Celebration at the Senior Center
- September 17, Buggy Days Social, a Family of Rotary event
- November 5, Rotary Leadership Institute in Carrolton, GA.



- 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.