



SPROCKET

Breakfast Rotary Club of New Bern

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Meets Thursday 7:30 a.m.

Bakers Kitchen

September 16, 2021



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Lewis Hoggard**

**2021-22 President: Barry Lutz
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Paul Platek and his wife are both Paul Harris fellows. He shared one of the many, many stories that inspired him to become active in Rotary International.

He was moved by Father Felix, a Nigerian priest who visited his New Jersey club. Father Felix came to the meeting asking for help to get water to a small village in Nigeria. Residents had to walk five miles everyday to a creek or pond to bring water back for the day...and not the cleanest water either. The video the priest brought persuaded all of the membership to help. The video after the project was completed was incredible and left many members in tears.

Two years later the same priest came back to them, this time asking for help with getting water to a larger village. The \$45,000 price tag did not stop them, but it did take a little longer to gather the funds.

Paul showed us with his "buckets" how our Rotary International donations work. Three years after a Rotary club donates to international they received 1/2 of the funds back. Clubs can also apply for global grants at \$.50 on the dollar donated and \$1 for \$1 in district grants. Because of COVID RI ran out of money at one point. The \$45,000 for this project came from \$6,000 from the club, \$3,000 in global grants, and \$15,000 in district grants with a dollar for dollar RI match. The balance of the cost came from other clubs and donors. RI monitors the money and construction while the project is under way and the sustainability of the project forever.

Paul Harris interest in our club includes: 53 of our 74 members are Paul Harris Fellows; one major donor is at \$10,000; 5 members are bequests (money will come from their estate); 6 Paul Harris Society members (\$1,000 pledge every year); 7 members use Rotary Direct auto pay (go to MyRotary.org and click on Donate).

Last year our goal was \$15,800 and this year is \$15,900. Paul's goal will be \$20,000. The noon club donated \$23,000 last year.

Also, October 24 is World Polio Day. Because of COVID which decreased travel the number of polio victims is up a little. We had a walk last year with a rather small attendance but hope to improve on that this year.

Paul awarded Joe Pike his Paul Harris +1. Next week George Brake will be awarded his first Paul Harris.

Committee Reports

CART

John

All proceeds go to Alzheimer research..no overhead. He is still looking for a \$100 bill in the blue bucket.

Highway CleanUp

Dick

Our clean up date is 10/2. Dick has put forth a bribe of croissants and water hoping 6 people will get in touch with him to work that day. (252-571-3666) He is offering one of the most rewarding Saturdays you have every had. Meet at the Exxon at the entrance to Greenbrier.

Disaster

Allen

??? Unable to hear speaker. The gist of the situation is that we have agreed to support the Swansboro Rotary on a disaster project. The plan will be updated at the next meeting.

President's Message

Barry

* Thanks to those of you who brought in stuffed animals for the law enforcers. Continue to bring them in
* Club SOCIAL and Ofest celebration September 29 (Weds) at 6PM, New Bern Golf and Country Club in the Ballroom. There will be music!
* Bring non-perishables for RCS

RCS

Cinda

See page 4 for a very interesting story of the beginning for RCS.
There are still openings for October 1.

Membership

Don

One membership application is in the works. It should be completed and inducted shortly.

B/S/H/ Oktoberfest

Barbara, Chair

The last committee meeting will determine from each chair what the worse thing that could happen and find a solution for that now.

Let's start practicing our theme song at each meeting. You can practice at home by going to this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Xe7mRV0S-0>

Please see Cinda to purchase a Rotary T-shirt or apron to wear the night of the event. (see page 8)

Volunteer Chair

Deedra

Please be on time for your assignment. If you thought you couldn't volunteer and find that you can just show up. Deedra has called all 74 members. Some who can't always make the meetings are coming to help. Family members are coming to help. Deedra is working on a cloning machine.

We hope all of the members will go by sponsors tables and say thank you.

Ticket sales are going very well.

If you see a flapping road-side banners and you can't fix it, call Cinda.

The Sun Journal contacted Richard and will be writing an article about the event.

Happy Dollars

Cinda— \$1 for each of the RCS crew: Rob, Bette, Barry, George B, Don and Karen.
Sign up for October 1.

Barbara— \$5 Floors have been ripped up and new one going down. Next week the walls are being painted. Best part: She hasn't had to cook all week!

Dwight— \$2 Next week Epiphany students are traveling so school is closed and Dwight can go to Alabama to see their children.

Joe— \$1 ??? No mic.

Ramona— \$2 She's excited to be going to ??? to meet her niece, her husband, and great-niece.

Jeff— \$5 He retired Friday! Now Charlene has to put up with him.

Joni— \$5 Has missed Rotarians. Joining Rotary was the best decision she has ever made! September is a busy month for raising funds at CarolinaEast. They raised over \$400,000 just from their employees. Usually have on average 48 COVID patients admitted. They are expecting to spike until October. Most are vaccinated. Be careful. Joni will match up to \$250. for polio. Fourth granddaughter is due soon.

Deedra— \$1 So proud of the club stepping up. Members coming back: Paige Lucas and her husband, Gary Brown, Todd and Lori Shuart, and Debbie Iannito. So look forward to seeing them all.

Allen— \$1 ??? No mic.

Mitch— \$1 for his friend Ed Moore's socks.

Mike D— \$1 Toastermaster friend being with him. \$1 Fifth grader son is a safety guard at school and is in charge of raising the flag everyday. When they pulled up to school he said: "flags not out...gotta go knock that out". Cannot pick up clothes at home. \$1 Great birthday last week.

Don— \$1 Coming over the bridge this morning loved seeing the sun raising. \$1 Grandson's roommate dropped (University of Arizona). \$1 They and the puppies are heading for Wilmington to shop.

Brant— \$5 because he didn't have ones. Thanks for putting up with his being late today.

Barry— \$20 \$1 for greeter, Mike D, \$1 for Bobbi leading the pledge, \$1 for Andy giving the invocation, \$1 for hearing aids, \$17 for his official retirement yesterday morning at 10 AM.

Early History of RCS

Cinda

Serving of food began in 1983 and the first director was named. Christ Episcopal Church began the research for a soup kitchen in New Bern. The goal was to provide a free meal to everyone. The 1985 kitchen opened in the Ebenzer Presbyterian Church serving 14,460 meals. It was supported by the Homebuilders Assoc. The food was donated. Paper products was their largest expense and they obtained a grant to pay for that. The volunteers came from RCS affiliated churches. Students served in the summer. There was a family who would come in and serve Thanksgiving and Christmas meals.

Day-Worker Program was started by the NC Employment Commission and supported by the NC Governor. 300 men found temporary jobs.

Available Rotary Gear

Men's

Tan golf shirt: L and XL—\$35.00

Navy golf shirt: S, M, L, XL—\$35.00

Navy tee shirt: S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X—\$18.00

Women's

Navy golf shirt: M—\$35.00

Navy tee shirt: S, M, L—\$18

Orange baseball hats—\$10.00

Aprons—\$20.00

The Queen Lives With \$325

*Ed "Socks"
Moore wins
\$19.00
lunch
money!!!*

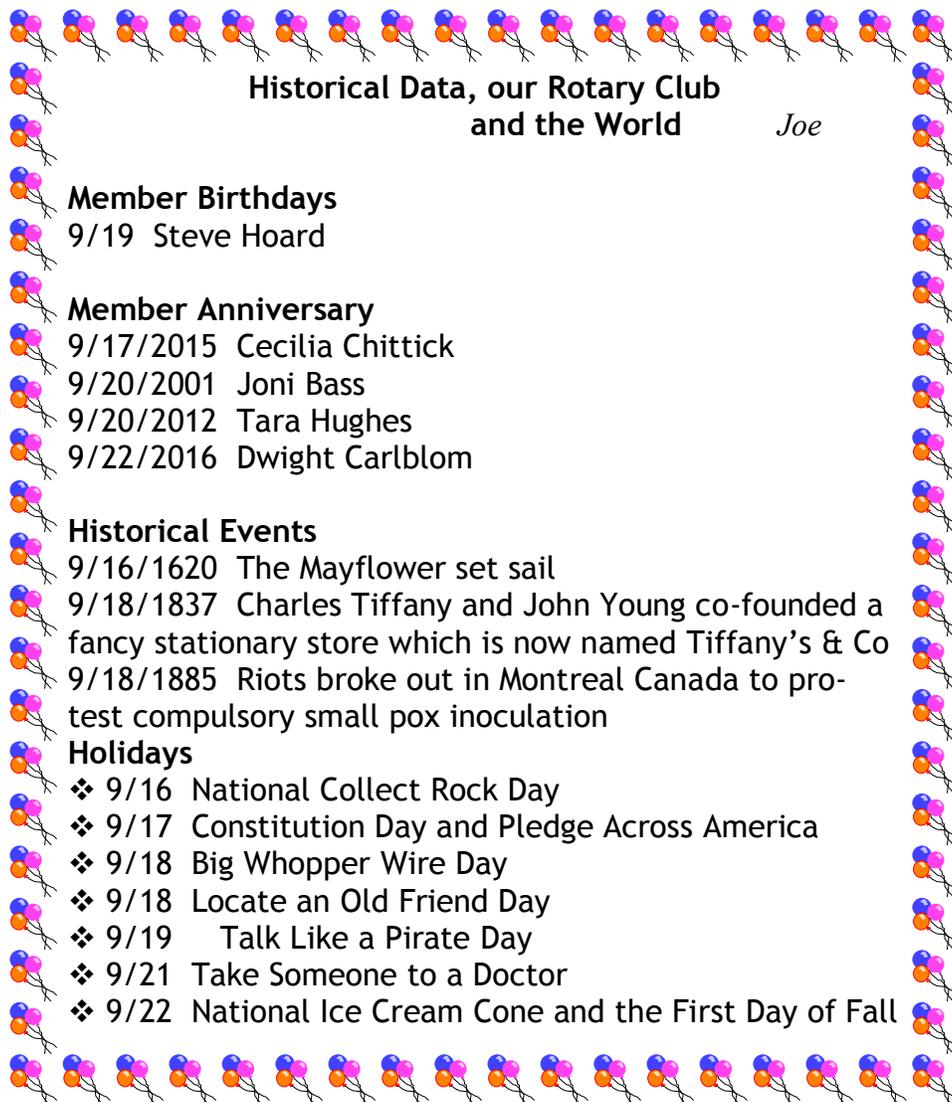
*But he drew the
6 of clubs so the
Queen is still hid-
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Other...

B/S/H/Oktoberfest Raffle Items

- A Couples' Massage (90 minutes) – courtesy of Balanced Hands & Bodywork, LLC
- 2-Hour Performance by Bryan Mayer – courtesy of Stafford Entertainment and talent, LLC
- Emerald Golf Course Gift Certificate – courtesy of New Bern Country Club
- 2-Night Stay at Palm Suites Hotel, Atlantic Beach PLUS 2 dinner gift certificates
- Crystal Coast Care Care gift certificate for car cleaning – courtesy of Chris Michaels
- Ladies Black & White Hoodie – courtesy of Juliette's Boutique

THESE ARE ONLY AVAILABLE TO B/S/H/Oktoberfest ATTENDEES !
Tickets: 5 for \$20 or \$5 each.



**Historical Data, our Rotary Club
and the World** *Joe*

Member Birthdays
9/19 Steve Hoard

Member Anniversary
9/17/2015 Cecilia Chittick
9/20/2001 Joni Bass
9/20/2012 Tara Hughes
9/22/2016 Dwight Carlblom

Historical Events
9/16/1620 The Mayflower set sail
9/18/1837 Charles Tiffany and John Young co-founded a fancy stationary store which is now named Tiffany's & Co
9/18/1885 Riots broke out in Montreal Canada to protest compulsory small pox inoculation

Holidays
❖ 9/16 National Collect Rock Day
❖ 9/17 Constitution Day and Pledge Across America
❖ 9/18 Big Whopper Wire Day
❖ 9/18 Locate an Old Friend Day
❖ 9/19 Talk Like a Pirate Day
❖ 9/21 Take Someone to a Doctor
❖ 9/22 National Ice Cream Cone and the First Day of Fall