



*Rick Moore*  
2021-2022 President

### Rotary President's Report

After relishing as President of the Rotary Club of Evansville for the past year, the time has quickly come for me to pass the baton. It was a busy yet successful year for the Rotary Club, which would not have been possible without support from committees, members, and networking opportunities throughout the community. Providing an enhanced experience for members to serve has been our drive and those efforts will continue going forward.

Most recently, I was able to attend the Rotary International Convention in Houston, Texas. The event offered plenty of inspiring moments as Rotary's global network gathered in person for the first time since 2019, following two conventions that were held virtually because of COVID-19. Lasting relationships were formed and even carried over to Evansville,

Indiana on June 20, 2022. We met with members of the Rotary Club of Tizimin, our sister Club in Mexico, to discuss a collaborative project slated to provide over 600 Chromebooks to children in their city.

Serving in this role for the past year has been a rewarding experience for me, and I look forward to watching the same unfold for the upcoming President, Kari Akin. I offer best wishes to Kari and other committee leaders as they pursue efforts to engage others locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. I also give special thanks to Julie Spratt for agreeing to support the Rotary Club a little longer. You will be missed!

Once again, I would like to take this time to thank members for making my year as president a wonderful experience. Feedback from members and guests throughout the year has been overwhelmingly positive. Please know that it has truly been my pleasure and my honor.



### New Tizimin Mexico Project – Computers for Students

A campaign to provide Chromebook computers for children in the small villages in Tizimin, a municipality located in the Mexican state of Yucatán, is the latest in a series of projects our Rotary Club of Evansville has undertaken over the past 10 years.

This campaign is simple. \$100 buys a Chromebook computer for a child in Tizimin, Mexico. Our goal is to raise \$30,000, \$15,000 from the Rotary of Evansville members to be matched dollar for dollar up to \$15,000, by funds from the Rotary Foundation of Evansville. In addition, the City of Tizimin will also be committing \$30,000 to buy 300 more computers if we raise \$30,000!! That's 600 computers for children who have little to no access to computers.

Chromebooks are very simple laptops geared toward internet access. Tizimin has extended the internet network throughout the 85 small villages surrounding the City of Tizimin, so access to the internet is not an issue. Over the years, the Rotary Club of Evansville has donated two ambulances, computers, medical equipment and a kitchen for a school that supports children with disabilities.

The more we raise, the more computers we can send to Mexico! Please consider making a gift to this campaign. \$100 for 1 computer...\$200 for 2 computers...\$500 for 5 computers...\$1,000 for 10 computers. Please make checks payable to the Rotary Foundation of Evansville. Stock transfers are also acceptable.

## Mayor and First Lady Presented Rotary Civic Award for 2021

For its 95th year of recognizing service by outstanding citizens in our community, the Rotary Club of Evansville named Mayor Lloyd Winnecke and his wife, Carol McClintock, the 2021 Rotary Civic Award recipients. The citation presented on June 28, 2022 read:

"Lloyd and Carol. For Evansville area residents, that's like saying John and Yoko. Or Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip. No need to even mention second names. But the latest winners of the Rotary Civic Award are known to some as "Mr. and Mrs. Mayor." It may be that in the history of Evansville, there's never before been a "first couple" that has become so well-known and highly-respected by so many people.

Lloyd Winnecke, with the assistance of his wife Carol McClintock, has etched a new entry in Evansville history books. He is Evansville's first-ever three-term Republican mayor. Winnecke won his most recent race by garnering an almost unimaginable eighty percent of the vote, making him the only triple term Republican mayor since Evansville was founded in 1812. In celebrating his most recent victory, Winnecke told a cheering crowd of many Republicans and some Democrats "We'll govern the next four years the way we've governed the last eight years. We'll still be out picking up trash on the first Saturday of every month. We'll still be as involved in the community as we have been for eight years, and we'll continue to do everything we can to make Evansville the greatest city in the state of Indiana."

Lloyd and Carol's load of volunteer service is enough to sink the Monkey Ship at Mesker Park Zoo. They are personally linked to thousands of other community and business volunteers through their unselfish service on boards, committees, and commissions. Important returns on their investment of personal time and visionary leadership include a revitalized, exciting Downtown, cleaner neighborhoods, and the admiration of other cities in our region.

And so, the Rotary Club of Evansville recognizes Lloyd Winnecke and Carol McClintock, for their collaborative approach to making Evansville a more caring, compassionate, financially successful city, that has become the envy of other municipalities in Indiana and, indeed, in the Midwest."



## 20 Under 40 Class of 2022 Announced

Nominations for Rotary of Evansville 20 Under 40 program honorees were accepted May through June of 2022. Hundreds of nominations were submitted to our website ([www.evansvillerotary.com](http://www.evansvillerotary.com)). Each and every submission was reviewed before selecting the final twenty recipients for this year's honor. On July 12th, our club announced the honorees.

### Here is the list for 2022:

**Rasheedah Ajibade** - Memorial Community Development Corp.

**Andrew Backes** - Big Brothers Big Sisters

**Rebekah Basham** - Deaconess Health System

**Claire Bosma** - Ten Adams

**Rebecca Brady** - Hafer

**J.C. Campbell** - Oakland City University/Greater Hope Church

**Michele Graham** - Harding, Shymanski & Co. PSC

**Ernie Griffin** -

Evansville Vanderburgh School Corp. and Indiana National Guard

**Chad Grunow** - G.D. Ritz's

**Rina Harri** - CenterPoint Energy

**Paul Lewellyn** - BNG Heating & Cooling; Boonville Natural Gas

**Nathan McCullough-Haddix** -  
Koch Family Children's Museum of Evansville

**Andy Niemeier** - Azzip Pizza

**Payal Patel-Dovlatabadi** - University of Evansville

**Dylan Rexing** - Rexing Companies

**Ashley Riester** - Evansville Regional Economic Partnership

**Amanda Schmitt** - CenterPoint Energy

**Joshua Trockman** - Kahn, Dees, Donovan & Kahn LP

**Jeff Wedding** - Evansville State Hospital

**Dr. Ryan Wood** - Forefront Therapy LLC

These young professionals will be recognized at a Rotary of Evansville dinner reception being hosted by Bally's Evansville on the evening of September 27th. "We are pleased to recognize this outstanding group of community leaders. We look forward to celebrating them and their collective accomplishments," Rotary president Kari Akin said.

Past president Rick Moore went on to say "Helping our community grow and prosper is a major part of the Rotary Club of Evansville. With this annual award, we are encouraging individuals to stay here and grow with us."

Exposure for the Rotary Club of Evansville was simply outstanding. The announcement of the honorees in the Courier and Press on-line editions trended as the number 1, number 8, and number 15 most often read article over a 5-day period. In addition, almost 30,000 people read about the honorees via Instagram, Linked-In, and Facebook.

Overall, the program has been a win-win with increased recognition and enhanced community reputation for the Club, as well as a wonderful way of acknowledging and honoring proven young leadership in our community.

Celebrating a new generation of  
*leadership*

Rotary  
Club of Evansville



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20 UNDER 40

We Believe  
In Service  
Above Self.

We Are  
People Of Action.

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## Rotary International Student Cultural Exchange And Mentoring Program

On the heels of a successful 2021-2022 launch, the Rotary International Student Cultural Exchange and Mentoring Program will soon be matching Evansville Rotarians with USI and UE international students for the coming school year.

Participating Rotarians and International Students enjoyed wonderful experiences together, sometimes including families of Rotarians, during the past school year, with 28 international students representing 14 different nationalities.

Rotary's international connectivity is uniquely suited to address the needs and interests among local international students to become more immersed in U.S. culture and to gain a better understanding of real-world professional opportunities. A meet and greet event will introduce paired students and Rotary mentors, who then meet individually to agree on goals and make plans for future monthly meetings throughout the school year. Rotarians are encouraged to invite mentees to Rotary meetings, professional settings, cultural events, and family activities for cultural and professional exchange. Several of our International mentees were guests of the club at the Santa Run. Mock employment interviews and job shadowing experiences were arranged for interested students by Rotarians.

For the coming school year, 40 to 50 USI and UE students are expected to apply for participation in the program. So, recruitment of Rotary Mentors



*Chitra (left) is treated like one of her mentor's own kids with her Easter basket.*

is now underway. Mentors from last year's program are encouraged to share their experiences at the Rotary luncheon roundtables and all Rotarians are invited to be a part of this fun and rewarding program. To participate, sign-up sheets will be available during August on luncheon tables or contact Co-Chairs Scott Fenneman or Andrew Alexander with questions or to learn more.



## The Rotary Santa Run... The First Saturday in December!

Since its creation in 2014, the Rotary Santa Run has generated over \$175,000 to give back to non-profit organizations in our community. It is a major fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Evansville. Rotarians and their families are encouraged to participate in the run and/or volunteer for one of the numerous roles involved in planning and hosting the event.

This year's Rotary Club of Evansville 9th annual Rotary Santa Run will be held on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 9:00 am. Each participant receives a 5-piece Santa outfit, including a beard. It is truly a unique sight to see hundreds of Santa running through the streets of Evansville, spreading holiday cheer.

Proceeds will benefit the Rotary Foundation of Evansville and will fund "Teaching Service Above Self to Tri-State Youth", a project presented by WNIN, our Tri-State Public Media station. WNIN's proposal was chosen as the 2022 beneficiary and will receive a \$25,000 grant. Partnering with the Rotary Club of Evansville, WNIN will teach the ideals of "Service Above Self" and the "Four-Way Test" to our new generation of children through WNIN-produced videos, the WNIN TV 9.1 PBS KIDS programming and social media and at the 30th annual WNIN Kids Fest.

New this year will be the Elf Run. Children, ranging in ages from 1 to 9, run from 25 meters to 75 meters and win a medal.

Come join the fun with hundreds of residents, from the Tri-State and beyond, participate in this family, fun, "holiday" activity. Visit with "Santa Claus," watch the Mounted Police, listen, and watch the Boom Squad perform as they bring excitement and cheers to start off the Holiday Season.

You will have a jolly time!



## INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

For the first time since 2019, 11,000 Rotarians from around the globe including President Rick Moore and President-Elect Kari Akin, gathered in person at the 2022 Rotary International Convention held in Houston, Texas. 2021-2022 RI President Shekhar Mehta kicked off the conference with the iconic flag ceremony: 155 countries out of 200+ countries that have Rotary clubs were represented. Rotary and the Gates Foundation have raised more than \$2.5 billion since 1985 to END POLIO NOW; Nobel Peace Prize winner Kailash Satyarthi received the “Rotary Award of Honor” for his campaign against child labor in India and saved over 110,000 children from slavery. Rotary helps Ukraine has raised \$15 million in 2 months. Rotary projects and statistics highlighted included the “empowering girls” projects and the campaign to end the stigma of mental health. Many new Rotarian friendships were made and celebrated in the House of Friendship. District 6580 gathered for a delicious TexMex dinner and fellowship at the Rustic.



District 6580 enjoyed fellowship and a delicious dinner at the Rustic in Houston.

## Rotary's Mission

*We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.*



## Welcome New Members

On behalf of all the members and the board of directors, we would like to extend our warmest welcome to our newest members. We are delighted to have you and look forward to your creativity, enthusiasm and ideas.



**Josh Bowman**  
CEO  
Bethel Wellness Community



**Va Cun**  
Director of Development  
United Methodist Youth Home



**Brant Kennedy**  
Vice President  
Harding, Shymanski and Co.



**Dominic Poggi**  
Regional Director  
Southwest IN Small Business Development Center



**Elisabet Sena-Martin**  
President  
EVSC Foundation



**Clark Stanfill**  
Financial Advisor  
Edward Jones



**Robert Wright**  
Retired  
Wright Motors



**Roger Cohen**  
Director  
Environmental Management Consultants



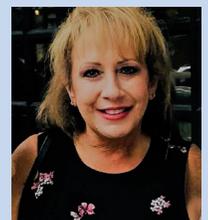
**Jalene Harris**  
IRA Administrator  
Old National Bank



**Vernon Lutz**  
Chief Information Officer  
City of Evansville



**Jason Reffett**  
Retired – CFO  
Raben Tire Co.



**Kimberly Spence**  
Sr. Advisor Corp. Benefits  
NFP



**Mitchel Tenbarge Jr.**  
Advisor  
Choice Investment Services



*Kari Akin  
2022-2023 President*

## Incoming President Kari Akin

I am truly honored and excited to serve you as your Rotary President for the 2022-2023 Rotary year. I hope you are inspired to be the 4-way test: to find the truth in our robust speaker programs; promote fairness through inclusiveness and charity to those underserved; create new connections and deepen current friendships with Rotarians. By doing all this, you create an environment

which is beneficial to all concerned. I invite you to utilize your passions and engage in one or a couple of the many Rotary committees such as: Rotary Santa Run; Membership; Speaker/Programs; Educational Grants; Reading Rotarians; DEI; Investments; Revenue; Engagement; Marketing; Invokers/Greeters; International Service Project Committee; and the new International Student Cultural Exchange and Mentoring Program, etc. I

would be happy to connect you to the programs and their chairs.

As Rotary is a global organization, I encourage you to be a "Rotarian of the World." Global themes will be more of a focus this year and you can make an impact without even leaving the community. The success of the International Student Cultural Exchange

and Mentoring pilot program, debuted in 2021, will provide even more students that we can share our Rotary hearts and American culture with in the upcoming year. The International Service Project Committee will be revitalized with new projects. Local business partners and Ukrainian immigrants will present a program on the Ukraine crisis. And hopefully, this will be the year that we officially END POLIO.

This will be a historic year as Rotary International welcomes the first female president, Jennifer Jones. President Jones wants members to imagine the possibilities in the change they can make to transform the world and utilize "that Rotary magic" to "Imagine Rotary". This change starts with you! Our Rotarians!

*Senior Finance Officer of Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization. Mom of 2 sons: Andrew and Nicholas. Dog Mom of Lady Charlemagne aka Charli. World traveler, foodie, promoter of peace, and lover of adventure.*



*It's hard to say goodbye to our new and old Rotary friends from around the globe, representing Italy, Sweden, Ukraine, and CA and IN USA. We surrounded Olga with support as she heads home to her war-stricken country.*

## Rotary Club of Evansville



**JOIN LEADERS,  
EXCHANGE IDEAS,  
TAKE ACTION.  
BECOME A  
ROTARIAN!**

Rotary's impact starts with our members – people like you who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Becoming a Rotary member connects you with a diverse group of professionals who share your drive to give back. Through regular meetings and events, you'll:

- Discuss your community's needs and develop creative ways to meet them
- Connect with other leaders who are changing the world
- Expand your leadership and professional skills
- Catch up with good friends and meet new ones

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming an Evansville Rotarian, talk to a Rotarian or learn more at [evansvillerotary.com](http://evansvillerotary.com). Click on **Become a Member** in the upper right corner of the home page for a membership application.

## Rotaract and Interact Clubs

If you're between the ages of 12 and 35, you may be interested in joining one of our service clubs for young professionals and youth. Like Rotary clubs, Rotaract and Interact clubs give their members the chance to make friends, develop leadership skills, and create positive change.

# Rotations

# Rotary Club of Evansville



Charter #102 / Club #3435

## A SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Summer 2022

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*The 2022 Rotary International Theme challenges Rotarians to imagine a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and they make the most of their club experiences. Engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world.*

## DUTIES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The governing body of this club shall be the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall manage the business affairs of the Rotary Club of Evansville.



### Current Officers for 2022-2023

Kari Akin, President  
Philip R. Hooper, President Elect  
Ashley Vezzoso Schaefer, Vice President

Pete Hillenbrand, Treasurer  
Crystal Wildeman, Secretary  
Bill Bohlen, Sergeant at Arms  
Rick Moore, Past President

### Board of Directors \*Second of two terms

#### Term Expiring 6/2023

Kari Akin\*  
Becki Alcorn\*  
Shawn Collins  
Philip R. Hooper\*  
Steve Keck  
Ashley Vezzoso Schaefer\*  
Stacy Stevens  
Adam Trinkel\*  
Jordan Whittleledge

#### Term Expiring 6/2024

Jeffrey Berger\*  
Abbey Foroughi\*  
Mark Gerst\*  
Pepper Mulherin\*  
Andy Tharp\*  
Jim Spath  
Andrew Alexander  
Cathy Renner  
Marcia Forston

#### Term Expiring 6/2025

Tim Black  
Brian Burkett  
Taylor Gogel  
Pete Hillenbrand\*  
Arveneda McDonald  
John Perkins  
Kate Reibel  
Crystal Wildeman\*

### New Directors for 2022-2023

John Perkins, Taylor Gogel, Kate Reibel, Brian Burkett, Tim Black, Arveneda McDonald

### Rotating off the board on June 30, 2022

Amy Canterbury, Jill Griffin, Christy S. Walker, Rick Moore



## Rotary

### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

- 1 Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2 Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build **GOODWILL** & **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4 Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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