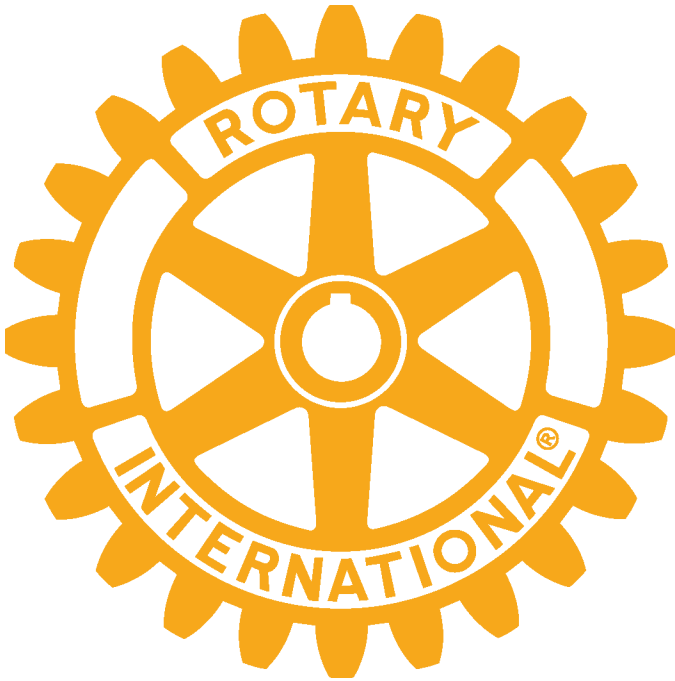


Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast



Recognition Luncheon

Ocean Zen, 4117 S. National Ave.
Noon - June 27, 2024

RECOGNITION LUNCHEON — JUNE 27, 2023

Buffet Luncheon

Welcome

Michael Wehrenber, President, 2023-2024

Invocation—Pledge of Allegiance

Carrie Henry

Four Way Test

Michael Wehrenberg

Guests and Visitors

Bay Mourer

Announcements

“Create Hope in the World”

Michael Wehrenberg, President, 2023-2024

Recognition of 2023–2024

Officers and Committee Chairs

Michael Wehrenberg, President, 2023–2024

Installation of 2024–2025 Officers

John Horton,

Past District Governor 2022-2023 & Past President 2010-2011

2024–2025 Officers

President, David Compere

President-Elect, Jennifer Baker

Secretary, Steve Kirks

Treasurer, Kim Garrison

Past President, Michael Wehrenberg

Andrea Bishop, International Service

Cheryl Briggs, Community Service

Nate Dunville, Vocational Service

Elizabeth Brooks, New Generations

Travis Shaw, Club Service

Passing of the Gavel

Past Presidents

Remarks and Adjournment

David Compere, President, 2024–2025

PAST PRESIDENTS

Chartered on June 28, 1967, the Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast first met at the Lamplighter, on the corner of Sunshine and Glenstone.

67-68	Sam Hamra**	94-95	Doug Nickell*
68-69	Rev. Wm. Magill	95-96	Barbara Lucks*
69-70	Doug Leigh	96-97	Steve Rice*
70-71	Dan Becker	97-98	Gene Molnar
71-72	Don Handley	98-99	Marty Ross
72-73	Gaynerd Graham	99-00	Ken Coleman
73-74	Jim Jones	00-01	Paul Sherard
74-75	John Simpson	01-02	Steve Montgomery
75-76	James Osborn	02-03	Brent Dunn*
76-77	Charles O'Reilly*	03-04	Brad Bodenhausen*
77-78	Joseph Green	04-05	Bonnie Keller*
78-79	Gary Lipscomb	05-06	Bob Hammerschmidt*
79-80	Mac McCartney	06-07	Shawn Harris
80-81	Neil Eskelin	07-08	Rob Montileone*
81-82	Olin Grooms	08-09	Anne Keckeley Brown*

MOVED TO THE WOODEN NICKEL

82-83	Guy Bates, Jr.
83-84	Larry Baughman
84-85	Rex Johnson*
85-86	Jerry Stiefvater

MOVED TO THE SHERATON

86-87	Andy Dalton
87-88	Jim McLeod
88-89	Harry Kirkpatrick
89-90	Steve Benton*
90-91	Steve Scott*
91-92	Danny Correll*

MOVED TO THE CANCER CENTER

92-93	Mike Williamson*
93-94	David Caffey*

09-10	Brad Toft
10-11	John Horton*
11-12	Brent Baldwin*
12-13	Laura Ward
13-14	Jim Conley*
14-15	Heather Ramsey
15-16	Rick Van Pelt*
16-17	Bill McNeill*

MOVED TO OCEAN ZEN

17-18	Lori Barnes Miller*
18-19	Bill Squires*
19-20	Patrick Harrington*
20-21	Rusty Worley*
21-22	Lisa Blumenstock*
22-23	Lori Johnson Murawski*
23-24	Michael Wehrenberg*

* DENOTES ACTIVE OR A85 MEMBER
** DENOTES HONORARY MEMBER

EXTENDING THE HAND OF ROTARY

The Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast has sponsored and assisted these Rotary clubs:

1968	Rotary Club of Ozark	2011	Rotary Club of Sgf Metro
1989	Rotary Club of Sgf Sunrise	2012	Interact Club - Glendale H.S.
1995	Rotaract Club of Springfield	2015	Interact Club - Parkview H.S.
2002	Rotary Club of Sgf North		
2005	Rotary Club of Nixa		

PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

78-79 Don Hadley 97-98 Jim McLeod 22-23 John Horton
84-85 Mac McCartney 09-10 Steve Montgomery
90-91 Jerry Stiefvater

NEW PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Southeast has 565 all-time Paul Harris Fellows

Melissa Bondy	Ray Lampert	Ronald Seth Wooten
Carrie Henry	Tim Sallee	
Kyle Joh	Mike Vann	

NEW MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Southeast has 189 all-time multiple Paul Harris Fellows

David Agee, PHF+1	Kelly Parker, PHF+1	Steve Brooks, PHF+4
Travis Comfort, PHF+1	Ken Stephens, PHF+1	David Hamm, PHF+4
Jason Flores, PHF+1	Kim Garrison, PHF+2	Todd Parnell, PHF+4
Nikki Holden, PHF+1	Lisa Odom, PHF+2	Gordon Elliott, PHF+5
Benjamin Lampert, PHF+1	Richard Van Pelt, PHF+2	David Compere, PHF+6
Dwight Leigh, PHF+1	Randy Mayes, PHF+3	Lisa Blumenstock, PHF+7
	Jennifer Baker, PHF+4	

NEW MAJOR DONORS

Southeast has 14 all-time Major Donors

Greg Beck	Wayne Morelock
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OTHER DESIGNATIONS BY THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Southeast has 78 all-time benefactors and 15 all-time Bequest Society members.

2023–2024 NEW MEMBERS (17)

Carrie Brown	Timothy Huddleston	Bryan Powers
Clay Goddard	Kyle John	Kevin Rice
Algerian Hart	Judith Martinez-Garcia	Jordan Russell
Justin Herrell	Bay Mourer	Mike Vann
Susan Herron	Zora Mulligan	Nathan Zoromski
Vanessa Howe	Kimberlee Nevins	

SOUTHEAST ROTARY ACHIEVEMENTS 2023-2024

CLUB SERVICE

- The Invocation Committee scheduled members to lead the invocation at each weekly meeting.
- The Public Relations Committee kept the club's Facebook page and website up to date with current information including photos of weekly meeting speakers. A bio and photo of every new member was published on the club website.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- All the Springfield Rotary Clubs and Rotaract worked together to put on Rotary Rendezvous for the first time at the Route 66 Festival. It was made possible by donations from each club, Rotarian sponsors, and Rotarian volunteers.
- Volunteers from all of the Springfield Rotary Clubs and Rotaract built a Rotary float and walked along side it in the annual Christmas Parade in Springfield.
- The Blood Drive Committee held an All-City Rotary Blood Drive in December/January to help support the Community Blood Center of the Ozarks. Southeast Rotary had 47 donors participate.
- The Community Grants Committee awarded \$10,000 to the following organizations and projects:
 - Ozarks Literacy Council - \$1,000
 - On Angels Wings - \$1,000
 - Junior League of Springfield - \$1,000
 - Springfield Public Schools- \$1,000
 - Good Dads - \$1,000
 - Isabel's House- \$1,250
 - Girls on the Run - \$1,250
 - Lutheran Family & Children Services- \$1,250
 - Big Brothers Big Sisters - \$1,250
- A District Simplified Grant totaling \$43,402.84 was given to the Springfield-Greene County Park Board. This grant helped cover the cost of materials and construction for the Roseann Bentley Musical Playground at Phelps Grove Park. This project was made possible by donations from Springfield Southeast Rotary,

Springfield Rotary, Springfield Metro Rotary & Springfield North Rotary.

- The Hands-On Projects Committee organized a volunteer effort for 4-7 members to serve at the Fairbanks monthly preparing and serving dinner for families participating in the Northwest Project.
- The Hands-On Committee presented the annual Lend-A-Hand award to Ray Meyer & Harry Price in June 2024.
- A donation of \$300 was made to Realtors Helping People in support of their cause.
- The district held a shoe drive in support of Shoes for Orphan Souls, which provides shoes to the most vulnerable children throughout the world. Each club sent in their donations and brought their collected shoes to the District Conference. Southeast Rotary made a club donation of \$300 towards the cause.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

- The Rotary Foundation Committee conducted a Rotary Foundation Program in November 2023 explaining the history, goals, and achievements of the Rotary Foundation.
- As of June 12, 2024, 153 Southeast members (79.7%) gave \$47,745 to the Rotary Foundation, including \$3,477.85 to PolioPlus. We have 153 (79.7%) EREY members and 187 members who are Paul Harris Fellows.
- Total all-time giving to the Rotary Foundation from Southeast Rotary is over \$1,278,857. The average gift in 2023-2024 was \$194 per member versus the district average of \$157.
- The PolioPlus Committee conducted a weekly raffle to benefit the PolioPlus Fund of the Rotary Foundation. Total contributions were \$1,843.02 from the raffle.

NEW GENERATIONS

- The Rotaract Committee, continued to have a close relationship with the Springfield Rotaract Club. We were a \$400 sponsor for their DoubleDare fundraiser event in the fall. Southeast Rotary hosted a fall Rotaract social at Best of Luck Beer Hall and also hosted a joint social in May 2024, at Springfield Billiards.
- The Student Guests Committee hosted 24 senior student guests from all of the local high schools at weekly meetings during the school year to recognize their efforts.
- Southeast Rotary also hosted several SAAB students and their staff at multiple club meetings during the year.
- The club sponsored 2 students to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) in the summer of 2024.

PRESIDENT-ELECT AVENUE

- The President-Elects of all five Springfield Rotary Clubs and Rotaract planned a All-City Rotary meeting on May 8th at the White River Conference Center. The keynote speaker was Art Hains.
- The Fellowship Activities Committee conducted 12 socials during the year at Table Rock Shore Resort, Springfield Billiards x2, Best of Luck Beer Hall, Millwood Golf & Racquet Club, Classic Rock Coffee, Town & County, Metro Appliance, Downstream Casino, Hickory Hills Country Club and Architect Coffee Co. The committee also planned the annual Holiday Party which was held at the former Wheelers Furniture store where they transformed it into "Miracle on South Street Christmas Pop Up".
- The New Member Orientation Committee conducted two New Member Orientations for new members in the fall and spring at The Pitch and 15 new members participated.
- Monthly new member luncheons were hosted at Archies Italian Eatery and Scramblers throughout the year by the Welcoming Committee with committee chairs and Southeast Rotary Board Members presenting.
- The Membership Development Committee shepherded 17 prospective members through the new member process this year.

- The Programs Committee insured quality programs for the weekly meetings.
- The Golf'toberfest Committee hosted the 9th annual golf tournament fundraiser. A total of \$22,147 was raised for the Southeast Rotary Endowment through sponsors and 24 teams made up of 96 golfers.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

- The Directory Committee updated and published the membership directory in the Fall 2023 available in print and digitally.
- The Fellowship Luncheon Committee held two rounds of fellowship luncheons. In October 2023, members had the option to visit OTC Springfield Campus, Central Bank of the Ozarks, Maxon Fine Jewelry and KY3. In April 2024, members had the option to visit Morelock Builders Associates/Assured Partners, Wise Guys Screen Print, Neale & Newman, The Fairbanks, Mercy Health Foundation, The Arc of the Ozarks and Springfield Symphony.
- The Vocational Awareness Committee presented the annual Vocational Service Awards in June to one employee at each of the following agencies: Springfield Police Department, Greene County Sheriffs Office and Missouri State Highway Patrol in recognition of their outstanding service to the community.
- The Volunteer of the Year award was presented in April 2024 to Gene Hartley.

ROTARY CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD SOUTHEAST ENDOWMENT, INC. - A MILESTONE ACHIEVED!

- 2024 marked a club accomplishment that can best be described as historic!
- The Backdrop...The Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast Endowment, Inc. was established in 2015 as an independent 501(c)(3) to raise and disburse funds for issues of poverty, children, child abuse, housing, hunger, health, hygiene, education, and safety, plus the seven areas of Rotary service in Springfield and the surrounding community.
- In 2017, the Founders Club was established for The Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast Endowment, Inc. Fifty-six Rotarians and the Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast contributed \$1,000 each to this fundraising campaign.
- The Sam and June Hamra Heritage Society was established for planned giving with a planned giving contribution from Sam and June Hamra of \$100,000 made to the Southeast Endowment.
- The Southeast Endowment continues to spearhead an annual golf tournament and a raffle for a luxury vacation.
- The Give Greater 100 campaign, which asked donors to contribute \$2,500 raised approximately \$150,000.
- The Southeast Endowment has received commitments of over \$225,000 in planned giving gifts.
- The Historic Milestone and Celebration...On May 16th of this year, the Endowment Board announced that \$560,000 had been raised, surpassing the \$500,000 "giving gate" and triggering the distribution of \$18,000 to the club. This money will be added to the club's \$10,000 Service Fund distribution, which will now allow our club to disburse \$28,000 to those in need!

2023–2024 FINANCIAL IMPACT

COMMUNITY GRANTS	\$10,000
DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANT PROJECT (Springfield-Greene County Parks Department)	
DSG Funds for SER	\$9,500
SER Match/Contribution	\$9,500
Other clubs DSG + match	<u>\$24,402.84</u>
Total	\$43,402.84
DOUBLEDARE SPONSOR	\$400
ROTARY FOUNDATION	
Polio Plus Fund	\$5,320.87
Annual Fund Donations & Bequests	<u>\$44,267.15</u>
Total	\$49,588.02
RYLA (sponsored 2 students)	\$1,000
RELATORS HELPING PEOPLE	\$300
SHOES FOR ORPHAN SOULS	\$300
SOUTHEAST ROTARY ENDOWMENT	
Annual Raffle Fundraiser	\$8,000
Golf'toberfest	\$22,147
Member Contributions	<u>\$16,375</u>
Total	\$46,522
Grand Total Financial Impact (from club & club members only)	\$117,110.02



Rotary is dedicated to seven areas of focus to build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever.

PROMOTING PEACE

Rotary encourages conversations to foster understanding within and across cultures. We train adults and young leaders to prevent and mediate conflict and help refugees who have fled dangerous areas.

FIGHTING DISEASE

We educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases like polio, HIV/AIDS, and malaria. We improve and expand access to low-cost and free health care in developing areas.

PROVIDING CLEAN WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE

We support local solutions to bring clean water, sanitation, and hygiene to more people every day. We don't just build wells and walk away. We share our expertise with community leaders and educators to make sure our projects succeed long-term.

SAVING MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

Nearly 6 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, poor health care, and inadequate sanitation. We expand access to quality care, so mothers and their children can live and grow stronger.

SUPPORTING EDUCATION

More than 775 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate. Our goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy.

GROWING LOCAL ECONOMIES

We carry out service projects that enhance economic and community development and create opportunities for decent and productive work for young and old. We also strengthen local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, in impoverished communities.

PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT

Rotary members are tackling environmental issues the way they always do: coming up with projects, using their connections to change policy and planning for the future.



2024-2025 Rotary International Theme



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