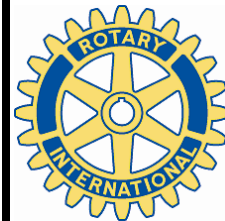




# The Rotary Big Wheel

Anderson, Ind.

Dec. 19, 2006



## Today's Program: Holiday Celebration



John Barnard and L.J. Mechem get Rotary Club members and guests in the holiday spirit!

L.J. Mechem and John Barnard provided a musically entertaining program with seasonal favorites.

John works at Paws, Inc., and, along with L.J., is a familiar face at Chamber Wake-up Breakfasts.

A Christmas CD of LJ and the Allstars was placed on each table and the person whose birthday was closest to Christmas got to take the CD home.



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## Invocation, Pledge and 4-Way Test: Sarah Later Rotary Moment No. 504, Past General Secretary of Rotary International: David Markle

Herb Pigman was teaching at Franklin College when he was hired by Rotary International many years ago as a journalist.

He served Rotary well in many positions before becoming general secretary. Following retirement he also served a second interim period as general secretary. He was called back to duty by the Rotary Foundation to serve as Rotary's chief negotiator with foreign governments in obtaining authority for Rotarians to administer polio vaccine in their countries. After completing this task, Herb wrote a book describing Rotary's efforts to achieve worldwide immunization against polio.

He is past president of the Rotary Clubs of Evanston, Illinois and Boswell, Indiana, where he now is retired and lives on the family farm. Herb spoke to our club on February 2, 1982. Past general secretary Herb sent the following message to be used in conjunction with recognition of Rotary Moment 500:

*"On a flight to New York I struck up a conversation with a seat mate. Typically, we exchanged information about our respective occupations. He was chief executive officer of the American Field Service, a nation-wide organization that was responsible for several thousand high-school age youth exchanges annually. He was surprised to learn that Rotary, too, had an extensive youth exchange program that exceeded in numbers that of the American Field Service. 'We have a paid staff,' he said, 'of about 430 based in New York and elsewhere who operate the FAS program. How about Rotary,' he asked. I told him that we had one staff member who devoted half time to youth exchange. There followed, as I recall, a stunned silence, which I broke by describing how Rotary's youth exchange program was led and operated entirely by volunteer Rotarians at club and district level. Today they continue to invest an incredible number of hours in planning and executing what may be the world's largest and most effective youth*

*exchange program. It is another example of how Rotary's size, diversity, and strength provides the muscle to accomplish great things."—Herbert J. Pigman*

Herb and wife, Betty, personally have experienced the advantages of Rotary Youth Exchange. Their children have all been Rotary Youth Exchange students as have children of Rotarians Jeanne Lee and Rick Kimmer. Your children and grandchildren are also eligible to be Rotary exchange students.

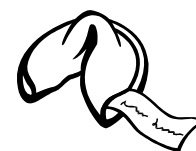
Footnote: Thursday night at 10, Travel Channel will have a program about an American Rotary Youth Exchange student who returns to her former host home in Brazil after many years and takes her daughter with her to visit.

Bob Shoemaker—Dec. 19, 2006

Rotary Club of Anderson, Indiana

## Good Fortune

*A great man never ignores the simplicity of a child.*



**Upcoming programs**

<b>NO MEETING</b>	Dec. 26
North Anderson Church of God	Jan 2
Liberty Christian School	Jan 9

**Rotary Guests**

Ann Hardacre  
Guest of Bill Hardacre

Mary Ann Shoemaker  
Guest of Bob Shoemaker

Deane Cunningham  
Guest of Jack Cunningham

Sandy Volk  
Guest of Don Volk

Jeff Smith  
Guest of Rick Moore

Students of the Month: *Larry Davis, AHS, and Scott Girt, HHS*  
*Lynn Demos, Interact*

**New Member Proposals**

Randy Hammel, Burkhardt

Dottie Payne, Co-owner,  
Sonitrol

**Rotary Foundation Contributions**

If you have not contributed to the Rotary Foundation yet this year, please consider making a tax-deductible gift today. Suggested amount—\$100 per year.

EREY—Every Rotarian is asked to contribute to the fund Every Year.

You are considered a sustaining member to the point of reaching a total contribution level of \$1000. When you reach this point, you become a Paul Harris Fellow. Paul Harris Fellows are asked to continue contributing at least \$100 per year to fund Rotary's international programs.

**Announcements**

***If you have an announcement you'd like to have made during a Rotary meeting, kindly call President Pam at 631-0844 or e-mail your announcement to pamcoletti@aol.com by Monday evening preceding the Tuesday meeting.***

- Year-end contributions may be made to the Robert W. Shoemaker Youth Exchange Scholarship to aid deserving students who may be left out of the Rotary Youth Exchange program because their parents can't afford the expenses of the exchange. To contribute, contact:

Daniel L. Milligan, Treasurer  
Central States Rotary Youth Exchange Program, Inc.  
2912 Arlington Drive  
Springfield, IL 62704  
217-546-8718

dmilliganlaw@uwalumni.com

- The Harold Phillips Birthday Fund has begun. In the month of your birthday, members may make a contribution to the fund to help buy books for preschoolers. Anderson Public Library will administer the program by buying books with the funds Rotary contributes and distributing them to families who receive Head Start visits in the spring and fall of each year.
- Be sure to check your individual page on the club's Web site and send necessary changes. [www.andersonrotary.org](http://www.andersonrotary.org).
- Rodney Cummings is taking an out-of-town job.
- Concert with a cause: Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra in "Playful Sound" with Riley Kids at Heart. Tuesday, Jan. 9, 7:30 p.m., Hilbert Circle Theatre. Excerpts from Beethoven's 5th Symphony, Englebert Humperdink's Hansel & Gretel, Tubby the Tuba. Special guests—Astronaut, David Wolfe and Henry Ryder as James Whitcomb Riley. Ticket prices begin at \$30 but Rotarians get 10% discount on pre-purchased tickets. If you call late, tickets will be held for you at Will Call. 50% proceeds go to ISO and 50% to Riley Foundation. To purchase tickets or ask questions, call Jeff Johnson, ISO Group Sales Manager, 317-231-6788 (office), or 317-514-210 (cell).
- There is no meeting on Dec. 26. Off-site meetings while Anderson Country Club is closed the first two weeks of the year: Jan. 2—North Anderson Church of God, 2604 N. Scatterfield Rd; Jan. 9—Liberty Christian Elementary School, 2025 Hillcrest Drive (old UAW 662 Hall).**

**50/50 Raffle**

**Won by: Brenda Craig**  
**Total collected: \$77**

***If you win, feel free to keep your winnings. There is no expectation that the winner should give back to the club. If you do wish to give back to either our club or Rotary International, you must write a check and give it to John Kane. This is the only way to use it as a charitable gift tax deduction and the only way to give it to RI.***



Mary Lee Ewald Dec. 6  
Debbie Webb Dec. 6  
Glenn Falls Dec. 9  
John Eddy Dec. 13  
Matthew Bender Dec. 22  
Joe Clark Dec. 24  
William Hardacre Dec. 25  
Jack Keesling Dec. 29  
Annette Craycraft Dec. 31