

2016-17 Club Officers

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Home Club of PDGs

John Bender
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2012-2013

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1998-1999

Club Meetings

Tuesdays
12:00 – 1:00PM

Indian Creek Country Club
2401 Indian Creek Road ~ Marion, IA 52302
319-377-4489

*Lunch * Fellowship * Service * Speaker*



In the Community...



Boy Scout Troop 560, chartered by MECR Rotary Club



Rotary Day @ Camp Wapsi



Highway 13 Clean Up "Crew"



Marion Swamp Fox Festival

P.O. Box 1183 ~ Marion, IA 52302-1082
www.MarionRotary.org



Service Above Self



About Rotary

Rotary International is an organization of professional and community leaders who have united worldwide to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical good will and peace throughout the world. Rotary is in more than 160 countries with 30,000 clubs. Rotary clubs meet weekly and are non-political, non-religious and are open to all cultures, races and creeds.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis for worthy enterprise.

MISSION

The mission of Rotary is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

ENDPOLIONOW

One of its largest and most effective initiatives has been the eradication of polio worldwide through ENDPOLIONOW. When Rotary started this effort, there were more than 350,000 cases in over 125 countries. Since then, Rotarians have helped immunize more than two billion children, reducing cases by 99%.



MECR Rotary Club is doing its part!



Service and Fellowship



Marion-East Cedar Rapids Rotarians find many reasons

to gather on a regular basis to have fun while networking, strengthening and encouraging members, and ensuring the effective functioning of the Club. From engag-

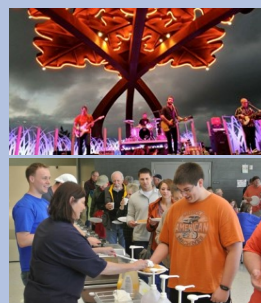


ing in highway clean ups and ringing the Salvation Army bell during the holidays

to building a float in community parades and participating in Rotary Day, members remain active and engaged.

Fundraisers

The MECR Rotary Club continues to raise funds annually to support grass roots efforts like its signature initiative Shoes for Kids, Interact, Boy Scouts Troop 560, the Holiday Giving Project and so much more. Convening fundraisers like the annual Waffle Breakfast and still-new Rotary Concert in the Park, to name a few, we are able to support ongoing and new projects.



Our signature community project, Shoes for Kids addresses a critical need in metro school districts:

MECR Rotary Club raises money to provide school nurses in the Cedar Rapids/Marion metropolitan area the ability to directly help kids. School nurses identify students who are in need and who may not have the ability to wear appropriate shoes to school. Payless Shoe Source provides the Club with cards that are brought to a Payless Shoe store by the child and their parent or guardian. They exchange their card for a new pair of shoes. For some of these children, this is the first time they have ever owned new shoes. The program began in 2003 with Marion schools, then expanded to the entire Cedar Rapids metro area in the fall of 2004. The need is great. Our club has given away close to 5,000 pairs of shoes to kids in the greater metro area. Special allocations were made to the cities of Parkersburg and Eldora after both cities experienced natural disasters.

Linn Mar Interact Club

Showing youth how to remain engaged with their community through real hands-on projects with adult leaders, gives them a deeper understanding of the impact they can have individually and collectively. They are able to identify community needs and develop viable solutions. Interact affords opportunities to develop critical leadership skills while understanding the importance community vitality plays in their lives.

