



# CENTERVILLE ROTARY FUNDRAISERS

Through the 1970s and 1980s, Rotary raised funds for its projects with a Spaghetti Supper.

It was held annually on a Sunday and Monday evening at a very popular restaurant, Antonio's, on 28 W. Franklin Street. Tony Di Pasquale, owner of Antonio's and a Rotary member, donated the restaurant, recipe and cooks. Rotary members were responsible for selling tickets, waiting tables and cleaning up. When Antonio's

closed, Rotary members tried to hold the spaghetti supper at the high school, but the project did not yield enough proceeds. Subsequently in 2001 the "SPAGHETTI DINNER" was replaced with the "PANCAKE BREAKFAST."



## Centerville Rotary Club ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

**The Centerville Rotary Spaghetti Dinner**

This year we anticipate serving 2,500 meals throughout this weekend's event. One of the real chores in making that much spaghetti is peeling 90 lbs. of garlic. In the past, as a two day event we also used 300 gallons of meat sauce, 600 lbs. of raw spaghetti, and 450 lbs. of hamburger. Now, that's Spaghetti! Plus we cleaned and chopped 800 heads of lettuce for salad.

Even that first year, the Centerville Rotary netted \$2,500. In the past 25 years, the Centerville Rotary has contributed approximately \$25,000 back into the community. The proceeds from this event has enabled us to participate in many programs.

### Centerville High School Interact Club

Centerville High School's Interact Club, sponsored by the Centerville Rotary, has been the success story of the past year. The club meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Each meeting presents the opportunity for a new project as well as multiple opportunities to help the community. The club has been very successful in its efforts to help the needy. The club has been very successful in its efforts to help the needy. The club has been very successful in its efforts to help the needy.

### Getting it pasta the customers

It was enough food to feed an army and an army of people were fed as the Centerville Rotary Club cooked 800 pounds of spaghetti, 250 gallons of tomato sauce and sliced 528 heads of lettuce to serve an Italian meal at Antonio's Ristorante recently. The meal was a benefit to help the club fund scholarships, the Life-line program, beepers for the handicapped, band boosters and exchange students. It was an all-out effort for the 69 club members, but everyone got served and went away satisfied. Here, Jeff Kunst carries a tray of plates piled with spa-

Centerville Rotary Spaghetti Dinner Work Assignments March 22, 1998	
Beverage Servers	Michael Weber Louise Weber Tom Stephens Mark McKinney
Bread Baker	Jeff Kunst
Bread Cutter	Al Wright
Salad Maker	Frank Roon
Dinner Ticket Sales	Jack Helmick Marilyn Helmick
Host/Hostess	Don Gerhardt Garry Blatt
Ice Cream/Cake Servers	Interact Club
Carry Out	Interact Club
Meal Servers	Alvin McCollins Don Overby & Donna Overly Eric Schreyer & Interact Club Gary Huff & Gary Kunst Don Sommer & Interact Club Walter Larson & Spring Rick Pierce & Robert Hord
Bus Tables	Interact Club





THE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Centerville Rotary Club's annual Pancake Breakfast is the major fundraising event for the club, held the fourth Saturday in October. The first Pancake Day was held in 2001 at the Southminster Presbyterian Church where Rotarians sold over 2,000 tickets and raised \$11,580 for club projects and scholarships. In 2009, the breakfast was moved to the Hithergreen Center, whose staff and volunteers also assisted with the event. During the eleven



LEFT:  
Pancake Day  
advertising sign

BELOW:  
The Centerville  
Rotary Pancake  
Committee (2008).  
From left to right:  
Jack Workman,  
Mark Koogler, Judy  
Budi, Shelley Fisher,  
Lori Shade, John  
Callander, Brad  
Thorp, Bob Kidd,  
Carol Kennard and  
Fred Weir.





**TOP RIGHT:**  
Waiting to start  
cooking pancakes.

**MIDDLE RIGHT:**  
The “cooking crew”  
under the supervision  
of Lee Hieronymus.

**BELOW LEFT:**  
Rotarians waiting for  
the crowd to arrive  
for pancakes.

**BELOW RIGHT:**  
Interactors ready  
to go.

**BOTTOM LEFT:**  
PDGs Sivaji  
Subramaniam and  
Orville and Susan  
Bantz enjoying  
themselves.

**BOTTOM RIGHT:**  
John Callander and  
Kelly Eggers taking  
a break.

years of hosting the Pancake Breakfast, the club has served over 22,000 pancake meals and raised \$166,000.

Not only is the breakfast a financial success, but it also brings the community together for a morning of conversation and camaraderie. Volunteers from the Centerville High School Interact Club, Rotary spouses and family members, Hithergreen Center, and other High School groups work together to serve close to 1,000 meals each year. Every member of the Centerville Rotary Club is involved in the event – selling tickets, raising donations, purchasing product, advertising, cooking pancakes and sausage, greeting customers, serving meals, and cleaning up.



**TOP:**  
Pancakes are yummy.

**BOTTOM LEFT:**  
Customers galore for  
pancakes.

**BELOW:**  
Dale Berry is ready  
to serve you.

Community businesses also support the breakfast through sponsorships or donations of product. Major sponsors in 2011 included First Financial Bank, Joy Tour & Travel, McDonald’s of Centerville, Oberer Companies, Schlegel Creative Services, Snyder Brick, Town & Country Shopping Center, Voss Chevrolet, WesBanco, Alcor Supply Company, Centerville Kroger, Centerville Bob Evans, Graceworks Lutheran Services, Creative Impressions, Fed Ex, and Earth Fare. Through community and business support, the Centerville Rotary Club is able to fund college scholarships, along with local, national, and international service projects.





TOP LEFT:  
Lee Hieronymus, Erich  
Eggers, PDG Hans  
(J) Berkel and Shanel  
de Groot performing  
quality control of the  
pancakes.



MIDDLE LEFT:  
Chuck Ackley... the  
sausage chef.

TOP RIGHT:  
Jeff Senney... this  
is how you make  
pancake batter.

BELOW LEFT:  
The reception table  
with Mae Berkel,  
Joyce Young, Celia  
Weir, and Mary  
Ackley.



BOTTOM RIGHT:  
We do have fun right  
John?

BOTTOM LEFT:  
They taste so good.



# CLUB PRESIDENTS



PRESIDENT	YEAR
Don Overly	1972-1973
Walt Buchsieb	1973-1974
Harold Kelso	1974-1975
Bill Davis	1975-1976
Harvey Smith	1976-1977
Russ Brinkman	1977-1978
Mike Hayde	1978-1979
Nels Anderson	1979-1980
John Thompson	1980-1981
Jack Workman	1981-1982
Dick Hoback	1982-1983
Don Gerhardt	1983-1984
Don Sortman	1984-1985
Lee Hieronymus	1985-1986

PRESIDENT	YEAR
Fred Jackson	1986-1987
Andrew McKensie	1987-1988
Robin Parker	1988-1989
Wayne Ravine	1989-1990
Jeff Kunst	1990-1991
Roger Lucas	1991-1992
Dave McDaniel	1992-1993
Eric Schrijver	1993-1994
Dick Flagel	1994-1995
Paul McCollum	1995-1996
Lynne Reilly	1996-1997
John Beals	1997-1998
Jim Singer	1998-1999
Mike Gentile	1999-2000

PRESIDENT	YEAR
Rick Terhune	2000-2001
Fred Weir	2001-2002
Don Stewart	2002-2003
Dan Sortman	2003-2004
Rand Oliver	2004-2005
Gregory Blatt	2005-2006
Gary Huff	2006-2007
Greg Horn	2007-2008
Carol Kennard	2008-2009
Jeff Senney	2009-2010
Mark Koogler	2010-2011
Erich Eggers	2011-2012





# PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

**RIGHT:**  
Bob Fry receives the paraphernalia belonging to his Paul Harris Fellowship from Don Gerhardt and President Mark Koogler.

**BOTTOM:**  
Charter members of the Paul Harris Society which includes many Centerville Rotarians.



Rotarians who support their Foundation, The Rotary Foundation (TRF), and have donated at least \$1,000 to TRF are recognized by the Foundation as **PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**.

As of February 2012, the Centerville Rotary Club has 40 Paul Harris Fellows, five Benefactors, five Major Donors and four members of the Bequest Society. Since the

inception of the club, Rotarians from the Centerville Rotary Club have donated a total of \$276,719.73 to the Foundation, with \$153,932 of that amount going to PolioPlus.



CENTERVILLE ROTARY CLUB



**TOP:**  
President Carol Kennard and Don Gerhardt give Dan Hodapp his first PH Fellowship.

**FAR MIDDLE LEFT:**  
Rand Oliver receives the pin for his 3rd PH Fellowship.

**FAR BOTTOM LEFT:**  
Don Gerhardt and President Mark Koogler give Hans & Mae Berkel a PH Fellowship.

**LEFT:** Matt Kuhn presenting his daughter and son with a Paul Harris Fellowship.



CENTERVILLE ROTARY CLUB





# CLUB MEETINGS

TOP LEFT:  
Club meeting with  
U.S. Rep. Mike Turner  
as the speaker.

TOP RIGHT:  
President Mark  
Koogler at St.  
Patrick's Day.

BOTTOM LEFT:  
Presentation at the  
club by former UD  
basketball coach  
Brian Gregory.

BOTTOM RIGHT:  
Club members



TOP LEFT:  
Meeting at the  
Oakwood Grove Park  
shelter.

TOP RIGHT:  
Club meeting at  
the Nature Nook in  
Grand Park.

2ND ROW LEFT:  
Changing of the  
guard from President  
Carol Kennard to  
President Jeff Senney.



MIDDLE RIGHT:  
Preview of "Hello  
Dolly" by Centerville  
High School students.



3RD ROW LEFT:  
PDG Harvey Smith  
and President Mark  
Koogler introduce  
Mitch Biederman as a  
new member.



BOTTOM LEFT:  
Christmas 2008

BOTTOM RIGHT:  
Mae Berkel reporting  
on the progress of the  
club's 3 International  
Service Projects in  
Indonesia.







# SOCIAL EVENTS

TOP:  
Centerville Rotarians  
with the antique fire  
truck at Kettering's  
Holiday-At-Home  
parade.



BOTTOM:  
Kettering and  
Oakwood Rotarians  
ready for the parade  
to take off.



TOP:  
Summer fun at the  
Berkel's garden party  
(2010).



MIDDLE:  
Centerville Rotarians  
(Sally Beals; Mike  
Wier; PDG Hans (J)  
Berkel; Dan Sortman;  
PDG John Beals;  
PDG Harvey Smith;  
Carol Kennard and  
Greg Horn) with RI  
President Wilkinson  
and his wife Joan.



BOTTOM LEFT:  
Jim Landsiedel,  
Bob Fry, Sivaji  
Subramaniam, Ray  
Merz, Mike Wier,  
Harvey Smith and  
Don Gerhardt ready to  
walk.

BOTTOM RIGHT:  
After hours at  
Champs.





# DISTRICT GOVERNORS FROM CENTERVILLE ROTARY

The Centerville Rotary club is the home club of five District Governors for District 6670.



HARVEY SMITH, 1986 -1987



J. RUSS BRINKMAN, 1992 - 1993



SIVAJI SUBRAMANIAM, 2005 - 2006



JOHN BEALS, 2007 - 2008



HANS BERKEL, 2009 - 2010



# ROTARY CLUB BANNERS

One of the more colorful traditions of Rotary is the exchange of club banners.

Rotarians traveling to distant locations often take banners to exchange at make-up meetings as a token of friendship. Many clubs use the decorative banners they have received for attractive displays at club meetings and district events.

By 1959, exchanging banners had become so popular that the RI Board of Directors was concerned the practice would be a financial burden on clubs. It urged Rotarians to “exercise discretion, moderation, and measured judgment in making provision for such exchanges.”

In addition to incorporating the Rotary emblem, banners often include symbols or imagery of a club’s town, region, or country. Others represent local craftsmanship or cultural traditions by displaying leatherwork, weaving, embroidery, or hand-painted designs.

All of the banners shown in this book have been exchanged with the Centerville Rotary club over the last 40 years.



LEFT: A sampling of banners exchanged with Rotary clubs from across the world. To view more banners please see the inside front and inside back covers.





# CURRENT MEMBERS



Chuck Ackley



Vas Appalaneni



John Beals



Sally Beals



Patrick Beckel



Hans Berkel



Mae Berkel-Avé



Dale Berry



Mitch Biederman



Jim Briggs



Tom Broadwell



Tyon Brown



Judy Budi



John Callander



Bob Corbin



Lindsey Daugherty



Tim Dressman



Gerry Eastabrooks



Erich Eggers



Ed Flohre



Cynthi Fraley



Bob Fry



Mike Gentile



Don Gerhardt



John Grubb



Jim Harris



Lee Hieronymus



Steve Hinshaw



Dick Hoback



Ron Hollenbeck



Greg Horn



Bob Jackson



Carol Kennard



Mark Koogler



Matt Kuhn



Jim Landsiedel



John Laufersweiler



Ray Merz



Dan Nielsen



Rand Oliver



Don Overly



Robin Parker



Keith Petrequin



Bill Reber



Kim Senft-Paras



Jeff Senney



Harvey Smith



Terry Smith



Dan Sortman



Don Stewart



Sivaji Subramaniam



Rick Terhune



Brad Thorp



Dave Trout



Kitty Ullmer



Fred Weir



Mike Wier



Dave Wolf



Darrell Woods



Jack Workman



Joyce Young



Tom Zobrist





**Some people call them heroes.**







Memorial to be dedicated to former Rot...



morning at Grant Park

