

# THE RICHMOND ROTOR



**ROTARY CLUB OF RICHMOND, INDIANA**  
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District 6560



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Club 3419

January 6, 2009 No. 27

**“Professionals meeting Professionals, where Knowledge and Numbers together, can make Wayne County more Literate.”**

Attendance December 23, 2008	47.48%	Members	25
Fiscal year-to-date attendance	43.97%	Count	23
		Leave of Absence	0
		Honorary	2
		Attendance: excluding LOA & HON members	10
<b>Guests:</b>			<b>1</b>
Amanda Fraser		Guest of Herb Fraser	

**The Card drawing is at \$89 with 37 cards to go.**

A New Year Thought:

New Year is the time to bid farewell to the old year and welcome the coming year. It is the time to forget and get past memories that are no longer useful or worth pondering upon. It is the time for new beginnings and new starts in life. New Year has a message for each one of us. One should let go of the past that has bad memories and accept what has happened, has happened for some reason. Instead of clinging onto your past and things that have gone, it is better to let go.

There is an old saying that goes, "Don't cry because it is over; smile because it happened". This essentially means that there is no use crying over spilt milk. You cannot go back in time and do things that would benefit you. Accept that some days you are the pigeon and some days you are the statue. New Year is the time of new beginnings. It is time to start afresh and do things that would make someone else smile. Make a pledge to make at least one person happy. You will see the difference it can make in both your lives. The essential message of New Year is let go off the past and embrace life as it comes to you. You will be happier and merrier that way.

**Wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year!!!**

**Up-Coming Programs:**

<b>January 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>John Kelly</b>	<b>will give us an update on his hat collection</b>
January 13	Maureen Santillo	Jacy House
January 20	Bruce Daggy	"Working Together for Wayne County Youth"
January 27	Roger Grimm	Regarding his Egypt trip
February 3	Dr. Beth Herig	Girls, Inc

Call Pat James with any program ideas you might have!

**Club Birthdays**

*Happy Birthday!!*

**No Birthdays this month**

**Club Anniversaries**

*Congratulations!!*

Jodie Dwyer	January 9 <sup>th</sup>
Gordon Henderson	January 15 <sup>th</sup>
Roger Grimm	January 23 <sup>rd</sup>



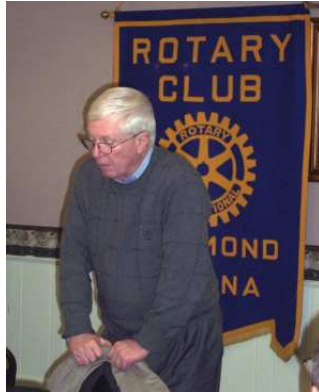
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**Last Week’s Program:**



Rotarians Harold Simpson and John Kelley presented themselves as E.G Hibberd and Dr. John T. Plummer, respectively.

**Rotarian Harold** told us of Elgar Grant Hibberd’s claim to fame in Richmond. Hibberd’s father was Mayor of Richmond and supported education, resulting in a local school being named after him. Elgar, who was born in 1844 was remembered for something less popular- the longest running jury trial in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Hibberd married Elizabeth

Morrison, daughter to James Morrison (whom the Morrison-Reeves library is named for.) Elizabeth was rich, and when her father died, he left his entire inheritance to Elizabeth. James had 2 grandchildren through another child, who believed they were entitled to ½ of the inheritance. These grandchildren hired Benjamin Harrison (the past president) as their attorney, and eventually won ½ of the inheritance. This did not make Hibberd a very popular man. Hibberd died in 1932 while on vacation with his daughter in California.

**Rotarian John Kelley** spoke about John T Plummer, a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation American who was born in 1805. Plummer’s mother died when he was young and he was sent to boarding school. In 1827, he attended Yale Medical School where he met Noah Webster. Webster was creating the first dictionary during this time and Plummer helped contribute words to this very important piece of the English language. When Plummer moved to Richmond, he made many important discoveries. Along a creek south of town, he found some large horns, for which Elkhorn Creek was named. During his walks, he also found mastodon fossils! Plummer was a very active Quaker (as many Richmond residents were,) but we also learned the many new churches opening around Richmond during his time. One of Plummer’s last great accomplishments was creating the first directory of Richmond in 1857- what an amazing publication! At the age of 60, Plummer passed away in 1865.

**We have received Dictionaries for all third graders in Wayne County and will need club support to help pass the books out to the area schools. We need assistance to insert the Rotary labels into each dictionary and than get the dictionaries delivered to each school.**

**Please let Jodie know that you will be willing to participate**

**We need your help!**

**THE FOUR WAY TEST:**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it BUILD GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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# Richmond Rotary Club

## Officers 2008 – 2009

President: Jodie Dwyer  
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Sergeant-at-Arms: John Kelley

## Board of Directors

<u>One Year:</u>	<u>Two Years:</u>	<u>Three Years:</u>
Herb Fraser Pat James	John Simpson Harold Simpson	Tim Loyd Al Fullerton

## COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Membership:	John Simpson & Board of Directors
Public Relations:	Paul Kreise & Gordon Henderson
Social Club Activities:	Harold Simpson
Club Programs:	Pat James
<b>Goals:</b>	
	To keep the members informed of the communities activities through weekly programs.
	To promote the "Mission of Rotary" to club members.
	To promote community leadership through understanding and applying the 4-way test by club members.
	To promote club service & fellowship opportunities.
	To develop and implement a public relations campaign to promote Rotary's mission and encourage club membership.

## COMMUNITY LITERACY INITIATIVE

Literacy:	President Jodie Dwyer
<b>Goals:</b>	
	To promote Literacy awareness though-out Wayne County and Richmond, Indiana.
	To promote vocational awareness through the diversity of job classifications in our club.
	To promote career development & recognize vocational accomplishments.
	To search out service opportunities to partner with other organizations in the community.

## ROTARY FOUNDATION AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

International Service:	Herb Fraser
Rotary Foundation:	Herb Fraser
<b>Goals:</b>	
	To promote awareness of the many international Rotary programs worldwide.
	To encourage community participation in group study and student exchange programs with other countries.
	To promote Rotary's Ambassadorial Scholarship program, including encouraging local applicants for the program.