

The Weekly Reporter



Rotary Club of Batesville

Chartered November 17, 2009

Wednesday, Mar 9, 2016

The meeting was convened by President Nikki Hutchinson. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Margie Walke gave the invocation.

Projects, Issues, Activities:

- ❖ District Conference
 - Asking for photo boards from each club.
 - Gift basket for the club will be “All Things Indiana” – bottles of wine, Hoosiers book, charm from Batesville Society, and picture history of Indiana. Margie Walke is collecting the items.
 - “Pack Away Hunger” – the club is asking all members to donate \$5 to a club officer. Our club will make the check to “Pack Away Hunger”.
- ❖ Saw Dust Days
 - Batesville Historical Society will have a contest “Name that Wood” with a prize of \$100.
 - BHS is asking the club for \$50 to go toward the prize.
 - Motion to give \$50 to the Batesville Historical Society for the “Name that Wood” prize by Mike Kruse and seconded. Motion passed.
 - 5 vendors confirmed to date.
 - Anna Ibold ask to have the vendor and sponsor application to send out by the Batesville Chamber of Commerce.
 - The Greensburg club gets their own gambling license each year.
 - If the club cannot get a gambling license, then a silent auction will be considered for Sat May 7.
- ❖ Mike Kruse, Assist. District Governor, described Rotary’s involvement locally, internationally, and the club’s sponsoring of 2 Interact clubs for Anna Ibold.
- ❖ Dr. M. Hari Haran is a Rotarian from India will visit the Indianapolis area in the June – July time frame. On June 21st he will be in Batesville and is looking for a host family.
- ❖ Rita Seig – Prayer Breakfast – Is looking for sponsors.
- ❖ A Rotarian from California is racing across 12 states to raise funds for fighting cancer. The club decided not to participate. The club will sponsor local events.

Program:

Anna Ibold
Batesville Chamber of Commerce



Mission

To implement programs and activities that promote economic growth and development to enhance the quality of life for citizens of the Batesville area.

Vision

The Batesville Area Chamber of Commerce is recognized as a valued organization that enables entrepreneurship and sustained commercial growth driving success for its business partners and the company.

Core Values

Provide Leadership

Create Partnerships

Maintain Relationships

Guiding Philosophy

Continuous Improvement

Member Benefits

US Chamber of Commerce: The benefit to our members is that through your membership with the Batesville Area Chamber, you will be a member of the US Chamber. You will receive a membership number, access to uschamber.com, weekly email newsletter, and member discounts on products and services.

Gift Certificate Program: This program encourages shopping locally and businesses must be a Chamber member to participate. It is a free program and offers yet another marketing opportunity for our members. Over \$110,000 worth of Chamber Gift Certificates have been sold every year since 2008. The best part about the program is that it "Keeps the Money Local!" You can spend them at over 160 businesses too. Giving them for gifts or as employee incentives is a great way to promote shopping locally and keep the money right here in the Batesville area.

Commercial Insurance: Chamber members may take advantage of a program through Auto Owners Insurance to receive a 10% discount on commercial property and liability packages.

Member-to-Member Discounts: Chamber members can receive varying discounts at other Chamber member businesses.

Networking Opportunities: Visibility and networking is available through the monthly board meetings and Chamber events. Chamber After Hours provides an opportunity to meet and exchange information with fellow businesspeople, potential customers and community leaders.

Business Counseling: Individual counseling is offered to Chamber members through the Southeast Indiana Small Business Development Center.

Referral Service: The Chamber acts as a referral service to local businesses; however, we always refer Chamber members first and foremost. If the Chamber has referred your business, you will receive a postcard stating what type of request came into the office and that your business name and number were given out.

New Resident Program: This is another marketing opportunity for Chamber members. There is an additional cost to members of \$15, but potential members pay \$50. The bags are given out to new residents by local realtors. New residents may also pick one up at the Chamber office.

Ribbon Cuttings & Grand Openings: The Chamber will provide a Grand Opening banner and ribbon, coordinate local publicity and gladly attend your event.

Legislative Information: As members of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce and the US Chamber of Commerce, legislative updates and information are sent out in the monthly newsletter. If there is a legislative alert, emails are sent to members.

Marketing & Advertising Opportunities: Through sponsorship of Chamber events and activities, your business will gain name recognition, advertising, etc.

Seminars & Workshops: The Chamber partners with Southeast Indiana Small Business Development and Ivy Tech to offer several workshops per year. These programs include topics like marketing, customer service, Quick books, sales, etc. and will be offered at a reduced rate to members throughout the year.

Bulk Mailings: If members are mailing at least 200 pieces, they may take advantage of the Chamber’s bulk mailing permit. This large savings of money is available only to members. Mailing labels are available for a small fee.

Website: Members enjoy free email and website links from www.batesvillein.com. They can also receive a free email address and a web page for a one-time fee through the Chamber site.

Advertising: The Chamber helps Members advertise their events.

The Live-Work-Play Year Booklet is now available from the Chamber.

Save the Date! Our Batesville Community Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Liberty Park! Special thanks to the City of Batesville, Tudor Square, Batesville Soccer Club & the Mayor's Youth Council!



Demographics

POPULATION

	2010	2015	2020(est)
City	6,520	6,661	6,872
Ripley County	27,213	27,937	28,365
Franklin County	21,712	22,238	22,977

5-mile radius of I-74	9,063
10-mile radius of I-74	22,292
20-mile radius of I-74	75,384*

*includes Ripley, Franklin, Decatur and parts of Dearborn Counties.

Note: If you just can't make it for a whole lunch hour, please try to come for the 2nd half to support our speakers. Thanks.

- Batesville Memorial Public Library Wednesdays @ noon

Words to Inspire:

“I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; I will not refuse to do the something I can do.” - Helen Keller.

Other Notes of Interest:

- ❖ Websites: Our club: <http://batesvillerotary.wordpress.com/>
- ❖ District: <http://www.rotary6580.org/>
- ❖ International: <http://www.rotary.org/>
- ❖ KIVA loans: http://www.kiva.org/team/batesville_rotary



- 1st Is it the Truth?
- 2nd Is it Fair to all concerned?
- 3rd Will it build Goodwill and better Friendships?
- 4th Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

The Rotary Club of Batesville meets Wednesdays at noon, at Batesville Memorial Public Library in Batesville.

Local clubs to make up attendance:	Greensburg	Monday 12:00 Noon	Country Club
	Rising Sun	Wednesday 12:00 Noon	Grand Victoria Casino
	Shelbyville	Thursday, 6:15 p.m.	Fiddlers' Three
