

# ROTARY EXPRESS

Rotary Club of Harrisonville, Missouri | November 20, 2019 | Service above self. One profits most who serves best.

## Today's program

Doug Meyer's guests today are two FFA students who are advancing to state speaking competitions and might use our meeting to practice their speeches.

## Future programs

November 27 - No meeting due to Thanksgiving week.

<u>December 4</u> - Lynn Laffoon classification talk.

<u>December 11</u> - Club Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange, No noon meeting.

December 18 - Aaron Rains

<u>December 25</u> - Christmas Day. No club meeting.

January 1 - New Year's Day. No club meeting.

## Birthdays

December 12	Cindy Greenwell
December 15	Lori Watson
December 31	Jeanette Flanner

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## Last week's meeting

## Roberts credits huge community support for success of Vietnam Wall exhibit



Ed Roberts gave a big shout-out to the Harrisonville Rotary Club last week as he attributed tremendous community support for the success of last summer's Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall exhibit. Thousands of visitors viewed the half-size replica of the Wall on the grounds of the Mill-Wall Mall from June 27 to July 1.

"I have never seen our community come together like this," said Roberts, who was

Harrisonville's band director for many years and has been remained active in many organizations, including Honor Flights for veterans. Roberts himself is a veteran of the Vietnam War.

The guest of Carol Looney, Ed shared many stories from the exhibit and tried to recount the contributions of the many organizations and individuals who donated their time, expertise and money to make the exhibit successful.

He particularly called out Rotarians who played key roles — John Foster for helping orchestrate construction of the walkway and platform, Bill Mills and The Family Center for providing the site, Kevin Shelton and Judy Bowman for their help with the ceremonial opening and closing ceremonies, and Bing Schimmelpfenning and the Chamber for help raising the thousands of dollars needed to bring the Wall to Harrisonville. Other Rotarians had roles large and small before, during and after the exhibit, such as helping staff the information booth. In addition, Roberts noted that the five flag poles used at the Wall were actually "borrowed" from Orient Cemetery, where Rotary recently installed flag mounts and poles. Roberts also credited local companies like Sutherland's, Max Motors and the South Cass Tribune, among many others. The idea for the exhibit originated with Steve Tiedeman and the Harrisonville American Legion post.

In business before the program:

- Past President Chris Deal presided at the meeting in the absence of Nancy Shelton.
- The club gave a round of applause to Glenn Aversman for coordinating our 2019 flag program.
- Jill Filer distributed thank you cards from 5th graders for the club's donation of \$110, which allowed all students in our Classroom Partner class to purchase books at a recent book fair. She also reported on the club's first Classroom Visit of the year (see photos on back page).

## Calendar

#### November 22

National Adoption Day. Rotarians needed to help serve refreshments, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Justice Center.

#### December 3

Monthly board meeting, 4 p.m., School Administration Building.

#### December 7

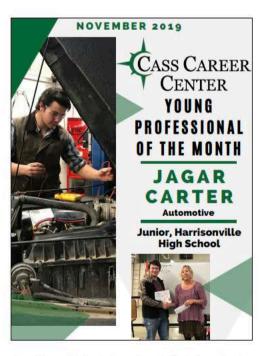
Christmas on the Square. Rotary train.

#### December 11

Annual Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange, 6 p.m., Chamber of Commerce office. No noon meeting. Register on Sign Up Genius.

#### December 14

Shop With a Cop - 7:30 a.m. to 12:30. p.m., Walmart. Register on Sign Up Genius.



Cass Career Center Automotive student Jagar Carter, a junior from Harrisonville High School, was recognized as the November Young Professional of the Month at CCC. The awards are given monthly to an outstanding junior and senior and are sponsored by the Harrisonville Rotary Club and the Cass County Elks Lodge. President Nancy Shelton presents the Rotary award each month.



## Classroom Partner visit focuses on doing good for others

Rotarians had a lot of fun with our Bright **Futures Harrisonville** Classroom Partner on Nov. 12. We talked about Rotary being a service organization, which means we do good for others. Then we brainstormed ideas to do good for others as a part of World Kindness Day, and ended with an activity expressing gratitude for programs, people and things at McEowen Elementary.







## A book for every student - thanks to Rotarians

Thanks to a \$110 donation from the Harrisonville Rotary Club, our Classroom Partner fifth graders were all able to purchase books at the recent McEowen Book Fair. The students proudly displayed their books and in gratitude sent hand-made thank-you cards to the club last week. One of Rotary International's causes is supporting education and specifically literacy. We are excited to be able to do a small part to promote reading.