



Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review

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Rotarians were treated to another interesting and informative program this week from Pamela Crouch of the Living Proof Exhibit organization. Living Proof Exhibit is a non-profit organization that provides free art therapy classes for quad city area cancer patients and survivors. Living Proof Exhibit also host art exhibits titled "*Celebrating the Creative Spirit of the Survivor*" which have displayed at the Figge Art Museum in Davenport, and have also displayed in Peoria and are scheduled to display in Chicago next year. Ms. Crouch explained how the arts provide both an emotional and a scientifically proven therapy for cancer patients. Emotion relief comes from providing the mind a distraction and release from the stress and despair often accompanying a cancer diagnosis and treatment. In addition scientifically it has been shown that the concentration and creative thought required for the creation of art causes the body to produce and circulate hormones that are beneficial for combating cancer. The highlight of Ms. Crouch's presentation was a large display of art

September - November Calendar

- 09/15** – Pamela Crouch Zayner, Living Proof Exhibit
- 09/17** – Blue Cat Brew Pub, 5:30 p.m. social
- 09/22** – Ellis Kell of RME!
- 09/29** – Mike Miller, Exec. Dir. Riverbend Food Bank
- 10/06** – Steve Pressly, Ultimate Plan
- 10/13** – Korah Wynn, Visiting China
- 10/20** – Doug Rick, Iowa IDOT
- 10/27** – Norm Moline, Urban China
- 11/03** – Bud Phillis, Rotary Foundation
- 11/10** – TBA
- 11/17** – Dr. Bette Truitt, Pres., Black Hawk College / Cuba
- 11/24** – Ted Pappas, Friendship Manor



Pamela Crouch displays some of the Artwork created by cancer survivors

pieces created by cancer survivors participating in the program. In the near future their work will be displayed in Moline at the Oncology Center of Unity Point Hospital – Trinity. Displayed next to each piece will be a narrative telling the survivor story of the creator of the piece. Living Proof Exhibit has also partnered with Gilda's Club by hosting on site art classes available to patients, family members and care providers. Pamela reported that to date, hundreds of local cancer patients along with their spouses and children have participated in the program. You can see and read more by visiting www.livingproofexhibit.org on the internet; Living Proof Exhibit on Facebook, or on their mobile-friendly WordPress blog



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Club Notes and Announcements

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□ Welcome Guests!

Rock Island Student Guests: Mya Bragg and Jakob Beierlein; Alleman Student Guests: Ali Milani and Brooke Sheraden. Sarah Gorham, guest of Bill Stengel; Lisa Ahern from Alleman filling in for Fr. Mirabelli; Camila Velasco, our lovely exchange student daughter from Peru; and Tammy Weikert, making her final visit as a guest. Our one and only Visiting Rotarian this week: Mark Zimmerman, (Davenport, IA Club)

□ Save the Date!

The Illinois QC Rotary Clubs will be gathering at the Blue Cat Brew Pub this Thursday, Sept. 17 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss utilizing future district grants and generate ideas for other interesting projects to plan for next year. Stop in join the discussion and fun!

BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD

ROTARY RAFFLE FUNDS THE FOUNDATION!

This week's raffle featured cash and a bottle of fine wine from Lo Milani's cellar. Bill Stengel won the money and directed that it be divided between the two student guests seated at his table. So Ali Milani from Alleman and Mya Bragg from Rocky each took home cash to help offset upcoming Homecoming expenses! The wine went to Rotarian, John Daly. Thanks to all who participated.



Once again it's time to help Rotary with one of our most enjoyable fundraisers. Fred Luckenbill has a new supply of 2015-2016 Quad City Dining Tour Books!

Books sell for \$35 of which Rotary retains \$10. Inside each book you'll find over 300 coupons good at more than 135 Quad City area restaurants. From casual fast food to the finest banquet dining, you'll find your favorite places and be introduced to exciting new venues! Best of all, you buy the book for \$35 and save more than \$35 with just the Circa 21 coupon which you can use for our Rotary Holiday Party! See Fred and get your book now! Coupons good until October 31, 2016.



Rotary Celebrates another NEW MEMBER!!

Rock Island Rotary had the pleasure of inducting our newest club member, Tammy Weikert, sponsored by former president, Anne McGlynn. Tammy is the Rock Island County Circuit Clerk. Her office handles the filing and record maintenance of all Rock Island County Court cases. Tammy also is the proud mother of four children who are now grown and out of the house allowing Tammy time to give back to her community through endeavors such as membership in Rotary. We look forward to getting to know Tammy and know that her energy and leadership skills will be a tremendous asset to our club.

Newest Club member Tammy Weikert address the club after being inducted into membership by President John Phillips. John looks very serious and dignified in this photo, but below becomes a blur of embarrassment when our "new member" points out that John has failed to wear his member badge!

That will be \$1.00 please President, John!! Next time wear your badge!

Note how much enjoyment Bruce Peterson, our resident assessor of fines, gets out of Tammy's blowing the whistle on John.

MEMBER RECRUITMENT IS THE JOB OF EVERY ROTARIAN!!



Reserve Now – Pay Later
Sign up at Sergeant's Table

ROCK ISLAND ROTARY HOLIDAY PARTY **Circa 21 Wednesday, December 9th**

Salon Party	5:00pm – 6:00
Buffet Banquet	5:45 – 7:00
Bootlegger Performance	7:15
Show – A Wonderful Life	7:45
ONE ADMISSION	\$46.25
TWO ADMISSIONS	\$92.50
TWO WITH DINING BOOK COUPON	\$57.36
Circa Subscriber? Pay Just	\$ 2.75 per person
Price includes Tip (not including deserts & bar)	

Global Project Committee Update

President John continued his practice of having key Rotary Committees report on their goals and progress. This week Bob Swanson, chairman of our Global Project Committee reported that the committee is working hard to meet the Clubs' visioning goal of leading a water well project to aid children and families in under-developed parts of the world. Bob reported that the committee is currently working to develop a water well in Nicaragua. Local officials have identified seven villages in the San Juan Rio valley that are without any source of clean water for drinking and cooking. Our committee has contacted and is working to form a partnership with the Rotario de Managua Rotary Club in Nicaragua to provide local supervision and management for the project. A preliminary estimate of \$25,000 for constructing a well has been obtained and the committee plans to work with our grants chair, Tricia Barron to seek matching International and/or District Rotary Grants to help fund the project. Next on the agenda is to identify which village will get the well (perhaps the first of an ongoing project), employing contractors to do the work, and most importantly, raising the funds to make the dream a reality! Chairman Bob invited any interested Rotarian to join the Global Project Committee. Just see Bob.

"Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."

—Paul P. Harris



Our 1.2 million-member organization started with the vision of one man—Paul P. Harris. The Chicago attorney formed one of the world's first service organizations, the Rotary Club of Chicago, on 23 February 1905 as a place where professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Rotary's name came from the group's early practice of rotating meetings among the offices of each member.

Our ongoing commitment

Rotarians have not only been present for major events in history—we've been a part of them. From the beginning, three key traits have remained strong throughout Rotary:

We're truly international. Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs on six continents. Today we're working together from around the globe both digitally and in-person to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.

We persevere in tough times. During WWII, Rotary clubs in Germany, Austria, Italy, Spain, and Japan were forced to disband. Despite the risks, many continued to meet informally and following the war's end, Rotary members joined together to rebuild their clubs and their countries.

Our commitment to service is ongoing. We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. By 2012, only three countries remain polio-endemic—down from 125 in 1988.

Do you know what we're doing in our community—and around the world?

Rotary members unite at home and across the globe to put our experience and knowledge to work tackling our most pressing challenges. We focus our efforts in six areas: promoting peace, preventing diseases, providing access to clean water and sanitation, enhancing maternal and child health, improving basic education and literacy, and helping communities develop.

We are especially dedicated to [ending polio in our lifetimes](#). Rotary members have persevered in this fight since 1979 and have now helped eradicate polio in all but three countries worldwide.

When you give to Rotary, you support the work we do in our community and around the world. We are a [responsible organization](#) that uses nearly 90% of our funding for program expenses.