

Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review



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The Rock Island High School Chamber Choir entertained the RI Rotary with holiday songs!

RI Rotary Donates to Riverbend Food Bank

This is the best time of the year to give and Rock Island Rotary gave in a big way to the Riverbend Food Bank at the Dec. 1 meeting. Nancy Renkes, Development Director of the Riverbend Food Bank, accepted a donation of \$1,050.00 from the club and thanked everyone for the generosity. As we know, the Riverbend Food Bank supports many community pantries (serves 22 in the QC area), hundreds of service agencies and also supports thousands of students through the weekend Backpack Program.



Club Calendar

December

12/01 - Rock Island High School Chamber Singers 12/08 – Committee Meetings: Nominating (11:09 a.m.) and Awards Luncheon (11:30 a.m.) Dr. Scott Cooper, Illinois **Medical Society** 12/09 - Holiday Party/Circa 21 12/15 - Tom Hammar "Tax Season is Coming: Be Prepared!" 12/22 – Julie Gelaude Black Hawk College Construction Program 12/29 - TBA



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Dec.- Jan: John Wetzel Feb – March: Bob Swanson April – May: Kevin Koski June – July: Diane Koster

NOTE ON NEW MEMBER **DUES OPTION**: The Rock Island Rotary Club does allow for reduced dues for new members, and this dues reduction is awarded by the Board on a case-by-case basis. Dues may be reduced from the current \$150/qtr down to \$95/qtr and will continue at this reduced rate for no more than two (2) quarters or six (6) months from the date of induction. The proposer of a prospective new member should tell the prospective member of the availability of this option. It is then the responsibility of the proposer to make this request to the Board.

Club Notes & Announcements!

- Welcome Guests! Barb Parker and Beth Ducey (Parker);
 Hilde Wray; Kevin Bradley (RAH Club); Tiffany Stott (RAH
 President); Nancy Renkes (Riverbend Food Bank); Duncan
 Cameron (Naples, FL Rotary); Chuck Austin (Prospective);
 Karla Thies (RIHS Asst. Principal); Rock Island High School
 Jr. Rotarians Myranda Horton and Aldair Garcia; Alleman
 High School Jr. Rotarians Haley Decreve and Emily Kirik;
 Youth Exchange Daughter Camila Velasco Medina!
- Raffle! Larry Tadlock won the raffle money and donated it to the foundation [THANKS LARRY!] and Ruth Lee won the wine.
- Committee Meetings coming up:
 Awards Luncheon meeting will be on Dec. 8 at 11:30 a.m.

 Nominating Committee meeting will be on Dec. 8 at 11:09 a.m.



Happy Birthday December!

Happy Birthday to the following Rotarians who have December birthdays: Kevin Nolan (Dec. 13); Mark Mayeski (Dec. 15); David Parker (Dec. 18); John Phillips (Dec. 26); Chris Lemon (Dec. 27).

Giving in December

December is the month for giving – please consider the Rotary Foundation for your charitable contributions. There is still time to get in your last donation to the foundation this Rotary year to complete the thermometer for Every Rotarian Every Year. See Bud Phillis to get your contribution in before the end of the year!

Angel Tree Needs More Rotary Angels!

Angel Tree Tags are available! There are still many tags left identifying gender, age, sizes and needs. Rotarians are asked to become Santa Claus for one or more needy children. The suggested budget is \$30 for a student. Anyone who



does not want to shop may donate cash and our Rotary "elves" will do the shopping for you. Put some joy in the hearts of these less fortunate kids! You'll be surprised how much joy you'll get from assisting "Santa" at the wonderful time of year!

YWCA Teen/Parent Center Renovations

Rock Island Rotary donated to the YWCA of the Quad Cities to help renovate the daycare at Rock Island High School for the YWCA's Teen/Parent Education Program. The renovations are complete – and the YWCA Board of Directors thank Rock Island Rotary for their contribution to make the center a welcoming environment for the infants and teen parents.





