



Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review

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Building a Brighter Future for Kids




Angie Peterson, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Children's Therapy Center was the featured speaker at today's meeting of Rock Island Rotary. The Therapy Center provides therapy services to children with developmental disabilities and developmental delays in order to help them achieve their highest level of independence. The staff members are licensed therapists in Early Intervention Services for both Illinois and Iowa.

They have expertise in Occupational, Physical, Speech and Feeding therapies for children new born through early adolescence. The Therapy Center is a non-profit facility, investing funds back into its programs to give the best quality care possible. They take referrals from Physicians and Nurses throughout the Quad Cities and beyond. Over the years, thousands of individuals and their families have benefited from their services – regardless of their ability to pay for the services. No child has ever been turned away due to inability to pay. Direct therapy services to children are provided only by licensed therapists. The Children's Therapy Center does not use aides or assistants in direct therapy to children. The Center serves from 400 to 450 children each year and is described as an organization, "That gives hope." The main areas of service consist of Occupational therapy, a health profession with the goal to help people achieve independence, meaning and satisfaction in their lives; Physical therapy, a health profession with the goal to help persons who have any sort of movement problems resulting from an illness, disease or disability; Speech therapy, a health profession with the goal to help persons who have speech and/or language disorders and swallowing or feeding issues. A speech disorder refers to a problem with the actual production of sounds. A language disorder refers to a difficulty understanding or putting words together to communicate ideas; Feeding Therapy, which helps children with feeding and swallowing difficulties which puts them at risk of malnutrition, dehydration, and respiratory problems. Therapy strategies include strengthening the muscles of the mouth, increasing tongue movement, improving chewing patterns, increasing tolerance of different foods or liquids, improving sucking/drinking ability, coordinating the suck-swallow-breathe patterns of infants, and altering food textures and liquid viscosity to improve safe swallowing. Rock Island Rotary has for many years participated in the annual Children's Therapy Center Telethon which along with the Chuck Long Sports Auction are the two major fundraisers for the Center. Fundraisers provide about 30% of the Center's annual budget. The Center was incorporated in 1949 as the Crippled Children's Foundation of Rock Island County. In 1983 the name was changed to the Easter Seal Foundation Serving Rock Island and Mercer Counties. In 1989 the Henry County East Seals Foundation merged and the name became the Easter Seal Foundation Serving Henry, Mercer and Rock Island Counties. In September of 2002, the Easter Seal Foundation serving Henry, Mercer and Rock Island Counties discontinued its affiliation with National Easter Seals, Inc. The volunteer Board of Directors voted 22-0 to maintain its local autonomy and to become the Children's Therapy Center of the Quad Cities, insuring that all funds raised stay locally and serve children throughout the greater Quad City area. Once again, a great program from one of our local "Hero" organizations!

October - December Calendar

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| Nov 8 | - Jay Pearce, WVIK Radio |
| Nov 11 | - Rotary Trivia Night |
| Nov 15 | - Roger Ruthhart, Editor
Dispatch/Argus |
| Nov 22 | - John Gripp, RI Parks Dept. |
| Nov 29 | - Linda Rowe, Oral Health |
| Dec 3 | - Salvation Army Bell Ringing |
| Dec 6 | - Rock Island Chamber Choir |
| Dec 7 | - Rotary Circa 21 Party |
| Dec 13 | - Thomas M. Anderson, Pres.
IL State Medical Society |
| Dec 20 | - Don Wooten, Broadcaster,
Columnist |
| Dec 27 | - Linda Cook – Film Critic |

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2016-17

July – Aug: Kyle Vietti
Sept – Oct: Dave Geenen
Nov – Dec: Gary Rowe
Jan – Feb: John Wetzel

Club Notes & Announcements!

□ **Welcome Guests!** At today's meeting Rock Island Rotary welcomed Alleman High Jr. Rotarians, Noah Kelly and Sam Dodson, and Rock Island High Jr. Rotarian, Grace Sigler. Our exchange daughter Agata Burzinska was in attendance as was Sarah Bitting Hite of the Salvation Army who thanked the Club for serving as "Bell Ringers" and gave an update on the local work of the Salvation Army. Rock Island Rotary always welcomes guests, particularly prospective members! Invite a friend next week!!

□ **November 5th Foundation Roundtable/Seminar** from 3 to 5:00pm this Saturday, followed by the Gala Foundation Dinner at the Deer Valley Country Club, 3298 Hoover Rd., Deer Grove, IL from 5 to 9 PM. Our own **Sam & Hilde Wray** will be honored at the dinner. If you can't make the Roundtable, attend the Gala Dinner. \$45.00/person by Oct.15; \$55.00 after October 15th. Registration: www.rotary6420.org click on the Event. Make dinner selection on line.

□ **Reindeer Ramble** – Sunday, December 4th starting at 9am from the IBEW Hall just across the street on the South side of South Park Mall. Rotarians are needed to run, walk, or just help and learn what goes on. Next year our Club will become the sponsors of the Run. Entry Forms available from Mike Locander and at the Sergeant at Arms table.

□ **Have Items for our Newsletter?** Email items for publication to Bob Swanson at bobdebswanson@att.net.



FOUNDATION RAFFLE WINNERS!

Today's Foundation Raffle featured a bottle of fine wine from the Lo Milani Cellar and cash. The first ticket drawn was held by Sam Wray, who took the cash and immediately passed it on to exchange daughter Agata! Anne McGlynn's ticket was pulled next and she took home the wine.

Thanks again to all who participated!

ROCK ISLAND ROTARY HOLIDAY PARTY

Circa 21

Wednesday, December 7th

Salon Party 5pm – 6pm

Buffet 5:45 – 7pm

Bootlegger Show – 7:15

Holly Jolly Christmas 7:45

Don't be a Scrooge!!
Make your reservation!
**RESERVE NOW
PAY LATER**

See Bob Swanson
**\$59.13 FOR 2 WITH
DINING BOOK COUPON**



SIGN-UPS ARE AT 45 – WE HAVE 100 SEATS HELD!!!



Kevin Koski Reports Birdies For Charity Success!

Project Chairman Kevin Koski reported a record amount of Rock Island Rotary Club donations, exceeding \$2,700 for this year's Birdies drive. With the Deere Foundation contribution, our club foundation will receive almost \$3,000! Thanks, Kevin and all Club members who donated!

GOT YOUR DINING BOOK?



Once again Rotary offers you the Quad Cities Dining Tour book with over 330 money saving coupons good at over 140 local restaurants! Best of all each book contains a two for one Circa 21 Coupon you can use for our Rotary Holiday Party. That one use will save you more than the entire cost of the book! Each book sells for \$35 and Rotary receives \$10 for each sale. See Fred Luckenbill and get your 2016-2017 Quad Cities Dining Tour Book today!

50 Things Every Rotarian Should Know About Rotary

Taken from an article by Steve Garret, District Governor 1994-1995

13 - THE CLASSIFICATION PRINCIPLE

Virtually all membership in Rotary was based upon a "classification." Basically, a classification describes the distinct and recognized business or professional service which the Rotarian renders to society.

The principle of Rotary classification is somewhat more specific and precise. In determining the classification of a Rotarian, it is necessary to look at the "principal or recognized business or professional activity of the firm, company or institution" with which an active member is connected or "that which covers his principal and recognized business or professional activity." It should be clearly understood that classifications are determined by activities or services to society rather than by the position held by a particular individual. In other words, if a person is the president of a bank, he or she is not classified as "bank president" but under the classification "banking."

It is the principal and recognized activity of a business or professional establishment or the individual's principal and recognized business or professional activity that determines the classification to be established and loaned to a qualified person. For example, the permanently employed electrical engineer, insurance adjuster, or business manager of a railroad company, mining company, manufacturing concern, hospital, clinic, etc., may be considered for membership as a representative of the particular work he or she may be doing personally or as a representative of the firm, company, or institution for which the professional service is being done.

The classification principle also permits business and industries to be separated into distinct functions such as manufacturing, distributing, retailing and servicing. Classifications may also be specified as distinct and independent divisions of a large corporation or university within the club's territory, such as a school of business or a school of engineering.

Though the classification principle is not as dominant as it once was it is still important that we make an effort to assure that each Rotary club represents a cross section of the business and professional service of the community.

We'll follow up with more of the 50 Things Every Rotarian Should Know About Rotary in future issues.

PREPARING TO RING THE BELLS!

On December 3rd, our Rotary club will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army! We have reserved the Hy-Vee in Rock Island on 18th Avenue from 10-4. We will be in charge of both doors so, we need more volunteers than last year. We will be sending out an e-mail in early November, but if you want to reserve a 1-hour slot now (2 people per slot so ask a friend or fellow Rotarian!) then email Mark Mayeski at mark.mayeski@edwardjones.com.



Foundation Minute

"Education promotes equality and lifts people out of poverty. It teaches children how to become good citizens. Education is not just for a privileged few, it is for everyone. It is a fundamental human right." The words of UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's were shared in 2012 and are quite reflective of the work of Rotarians over the many years. Each day, The Rotary Foundation reviews a number of projects where Rotarians are seeking to bring quality education to children throughout the world. It is known that when a population is educated, it has direct impact on other areas of focus including longer, healthier lives, higher gross domestic profit for countries and greater literacy rates for future generations.

With 1.2 million Rotarians, there is the ability to make significant impact on the lives of children and adults by bringing opportunities to access education. Last year 150 basic education and literacy grants were approved. Your financial contributions to The Rotary Foundation and your continued creation of educational global grants will ensure that education is provided and enhanced within the communities of the world. Thank you for your support.

Material provided by Mary-Jo Jean Francois in "The Communique"

ATLANTA - 2017 Rotary International Convention!

Join the deluxe Motor Coach 8 day/7 night trip!
Leave Friday, June 9th Spend the night in Louisville
Arrive Atlanta Saturday afternoon
4 Nights in the Crown Plaza Ravinia Hotel in Atlanta
Convention Opening ceremonies Sunday June 11th
Closing Ceremonies Wednesday June 14th
Leave Atlanta Wednesday and drive to Nashville
Two nights in Nashville with all day Thursday to
sightsee, shop, attend shows, etc.
Leave Nashville Friday morning June 16th and
return to the Quad Cities. All transportation and hotels
included!



\$1480.00* per single/ \$1830.00* per couple

(*Cost may vary slightly when hotel rates in Louisville and Nashville are finalized - does not include convention registration or meals)



John Phillips Performance His Best Ever!

MAY BE ASKED TO TOUR!

CONTRACT OFFERS
FLOWING IN!

Local singing sensation, John Phillips, turned the corner today and may have launched a lucrative stage career! Previously known for performing primarily drab and unmoving selections, Phillips gave his career new life by performing some of the nation's most popular and catchy tunes.

Phillips began his "command" performance with the melodic and enticing, HEY, HEY, HOLY MACKAREL, and then transitioned into the ever pleasing GO CUBS GO, both tunes delighted the eager and receptive audience! Phillips, a follower of the "junior circuit", saw the light when cash came on the table. His efforts raised over \$1,840.00 on the spot for the Rotary Foundation. With the Gates Foundation 2 to 1 match that means John's 10-minute tribute to the Cubs raised over \$5,500! Thanks, John and thanks to all those Rotarian CUB fans who celebrated their team's success with charity!

TIME IS RUNNING OUT – CALL TO ENTER YOURSELF OR YOUR TEAM!!



Rock Island Rotary TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, November 11th at 6:30pm

SAVE the DATE and get your team together for Rock Island Rotary's annual fundraiser! Cash prizes, cash bar, 50/50, silent auction and TONS of FUN with
MR. TRIVIA!!!

This fundraiser allows Rotary to support local youth programs such as: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Interact, Rotaract, Earlyact, Youth Exchange, Spring Forward Learning Center, Martin Luther King Center, and MANY other local programs.

When: Friday, November 11th, 2016

Where: Milan Community Center, 2701 1st Street East, Milan

Time: 6:30pm START time, doors open at 5:45pm

Cost: \$100 a table (up to 10 players at a table)

RSVP: Kathy Trone 309-794-9400 or Kathy@wesselspc.com

The Rock Island Rotary Club is challenging all other Rotary Clubs in the QC Area to participate and TRY to win the "Traveling Trophy" for the SMARTEST ROTARY CLUB!