



Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review



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MEETING EVERY TUESDAY NOON - QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER



MOLLY and SARA TALK MILLENNIALS

Sara Cross and Molly Shattuck,



two of our younger, very active members, provided today's program. Molly is the daughter of Past Rock Island Rotary President, Tom Hammar. Tom joined Rotary 27 years ago, so it is accurate to say that Molly was literally raised around Rotary. Molly is a wife, devoted mom, and a full time employee in her father's accounting firm. She graduated from Bradley University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Foods, Nutrition, and Dietetics in 2007. She then earned her Master Degree from Rush University in Clinical Nutrition. In 2012 Molly began working toward a degree in Accounting at Western Illinois University and is currently studying and taking the exams to become a Certified Public Accountant. Sara is the Saukenuk District Executive of the Boy Scouts of America. She grew up in Moline and attended Alleman High School during her freshman year and then transferred to Moline High School for sophomore-senior year! Sara went to Northern Illinois University where she received a full Division I scholarship for tennis. She majored in Organizational Corporate Communications and graduated in 2012. She earned her Master's degree in Sport Management in 2014. Sara is married and a mom to August (Augie) Cross. With all of that going, you might ask what drew Molly and Sara to become Rotarians. Molly says she joined Rock Island Rotary in 2013 primarily at the invitation and urging of her Rotarian dad. Sara joined in 2017 and simply says that "someone asked". She added, "I love being involved with my community and making a difference." Both Molly and Sara now serve on our Rotary Board of Directors, and are active in numerous club committees. Not only are Molly and Sara extremely active members, but they are also among our youngest members. So what was the attraction? How were we so fortunate to get them into our Club, and what can we do to encourage other Millennials to follow their example? To get the answers, we asked Molly and Sara for advice. Here's what we learned. Millennials are loosely considered to be the generation born between 1980 and 2000. Molly presented a survey showing the following: Millennials do not see regular attendance at an office as important, feeling work can be done on-line from home. Millennials carry huge amounts of student loan debt. Millennials are heavily into social media (facebook, twitter, etc.). Millennials are unattracted to traditional political and religious organizations. Millennials are generally distrustful, feel entitled, and are "me first" motivated. They are also our most ethnically diverse generation, are optimistic of the future, and are civic minded. Millennials may look at Rotary as steeped in tradition and resistant to change. Most clubs have an older and aging membership. Millennials look at potential membership with several thoughts: 1) What's in it for me; 2) I don't want to come to lunch every week; 3) My time is limited and valuable. Molly and Sara noted that our Club needs to look 10 to 20 years down road and visualize what our Club will look like. Will we still exist? Some thoughts to help us connect with Millennials were to have regular social gatherings; do a much better job of telling Rotary's story of how we are impacting our community and the world; increase our social media presence; increase Club time for more networking and leadership development; and, expand membership categories. This was a great program that just got the thinking process started. Thank you ladies for your extremely valuable contribution to our club! You have undoubtedly stimulated a conversation that will be continuing into the future.

Nov. – Dec. Calendar

- Nov 9 - Fellowship of Wining Rotarians
- Nov 10 - Trivia Night – Camden Center 6:30pm. Doors open at 5:45
- Nov 14 - RME – The New Bix Beiderbeck Museum
- Nov 21 - Pastor Willers – Salem Lutheran Church – Thanksgiving
- Nov 28 - RIHS Orchestra
- Dec 5 - Rocky Chamber Singers
- Dec 6 - Rotary Holiday Party
Circa 21 – ELF The Musical
- Dec 9 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Dec 12 - Dr. Nestor A. Ramirez, President Illinois State Medical Society



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Feb – Mar: Gary Rowe
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Bill Groh

Club Notes & Announcements!

□ **WELCOME GUESTS!** Rock Island Rotary was pleased to welcome to today's meeting, Mark Zimmerman, a visiting Rotarian from the Davenport Club; Alleman Jr. Rotarians, Alyssa Carpita and Spencer Smith attended along with our exchange daughter, Pitchayapa "Pat" Rungrueng, from Thailand. Virginia Johnson attended as a guest of husband, Don Peterson; and Scott Shattuck was a guest of his wife, and co-program presenter, Molly Shattuck. Guests are always welcome at Rock Island Rotary. Prospective members are our favorites!

□ **FELLOWSHIP OF WINING ROTARIANS** will be gathering at the Grape Life Wine Store & Lounge in Davenport this Thursday, November 9th. Come any time after 5pm, live music starts at 7. Libation and snacks available! All Rotarians and wine loving friends are welcome!

□ **RUTH LEE and BUD PHILLIS** both need 3 more players to fill their Rotary Tricia Night tables. If you would like to join the fun, please call Ruth or Bud as soon as possible. Don't be shy – Take the plunge and join us on November 10th!

□ **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** – Our first "Rotary Ramble" 5K race will be on Sunday, December 3rd. We'll need runners, walkers, and helpers to pull off a successful race and fundraiser. Sign up or contact chairman, Mike Locander, to volunteer. The entry form for participating in the race/walk is in this issue!

□ **SERVICE OPPORTUNITY** – Our Club is partnering with the Heart of Hope Food Pantry. Volunteers are needed Thursdays 6 to 7:30pm just once a month. If evening is a problem a Thursday morning opportunity is also available! Contact Al Metz or Steve Morenz to join our team of volunteers! Used but sound plastic bags are needed too. Don't throw them away, bring them to Rotary. The food pantry goes through 160 bags each night!

□ **Have Items for our Newsletter?** Email to bobdebswanson@att.net. If you attend a Rotary event and take pictures, please also email or text them to Bob. The newsletter is much better with lots of photos!



FOUNDATION RAFFLE

Today's raffle featured cash and a bottle of fine wine from the Lo Milani Collection. The first lucky ticket was held by Pete Wessels who took the cash and donated the entire pot to our exchange daughter, Pat. Steve Morenz was our second lucky winner and he took home a bottle of Cabernet Sauvignon. Keep in mind, the proceeds from our raffle go to the Rotary Foundation to help carry on good work worldwide.

Thanks to all who participated!



THANK YOU - BELL RINGER VOLUNTEERS!

Last Thursday we put out a "HELP" call because sign ups for Bell Ringing were lagging. Within an hour your responses offering to take a shift were rolling in. We went from just 2 of 24 slots covered to having all but one filled by Friday noon. On Friday we let you know that we needed two Rotarians to fill the last slot. That slot was covered just a short time later! Rotary will man the bells and kettles for the Salvation Army at the Rock Island Hy-Vee on 18th avenue on Dec. 9th. We will be at both the East and West doors from 9:00am to 3pm in 1-hour shifts. Chairman Mark would welcome any additional volunteers who would be on a "stand by" list to be called in the event someone is unable to cover their time slot. Thanks for coming through!

FOUNDATION MINUTE

Our health is everything, yet 400 million people in the world can't afford or don't have access to basic health care. Health care is everyone's right.

Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to Rotarians. We lead efforts both large and small by setting up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities that struggle with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients and governments to work together. Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes and of course polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care.

Rotary members have hundreds of health projects underway around the world at any given time. In Ghana we work with partners to provide more than 80% of its people with clean water to fight worm disease. In Liberia, Rotary helps women get tested for HIV early in their pregnancies. And of course, the eradication of polio has created a system for tackling a myriad of other health issues such as Ebola. To date \$65 million in grants to fight disease has been given by Rotary.

Your donation to the Rotary Foundation allows this happen. Thank you.

GOT YOUR DINING BOOK??

The 2017-18 book costs \$35 and contains over 350 coupons redeemable at 150 LOCAL restaurants. The Circa 21 Coupon alone will save you more than the cost of the book and can be used at any time, even for our club's annual holiday party! Books will be available at next Tuesday's meeting. Make your check out to "Rock Island Rotary".

- Dining Tour books make great gifts! • -Not expensive to buy!
- Introduces you to new restaurants! • Coupons are good until Oct. 31, 2018
- Save money with every coupon!

For every book purchased Rock Island Rotary receives \$10! Every member should have at least one! Get yours at next Tuesday's meeting!!



ROCK ISLAND ROTARY TRIVIA NIGHT

**This Friday, November 10th
Milan Community Center**

Doors open at 5:45pm

Games begin at 6:30pm

8 Players per table - \$100 table fee

Sign up by calling or emailing
chairperson, Kathy Trone

309-794-9400 or

kathy@wesselspc.com

Questions provided by Mr. Trivia

All proceeds will go to support
students and teachers at Earl Hanson
Elementary School in Rock Island.

Sign up deadline is Tuesday, November 21st. Reserve by return email!

ROTARY HOLIDAY PARTY



Wednesday, December 6th

**Ticket includes: Pre-Show Salon Party with
Complimentary Hoers Devours and Cash Bar (5:00-6pm)
Buffet Dinner (5:45-7:00pm)
Bootleggers Warm-up Show (7:15pm)
Elf The Musical (7:30pm)**

ONE ADMISSION \$47.75

TWO ADMISSIONS \$95.50

TWO WITH DINING BOOK COUPON \$59.38

Tip included (not including deserts & bar)

Circa Subscriber? Pay Just \$3.20 per person for gratuity

Rotarians, their families and friends are cordially invited!

SIGN UP AT ROTARY, OR EMAIL bobdebswanson@att.net



Run or Walk and help us Celebrate

The first Annual Rotary Ramble 5K



Dress warm and be Festive !!



- **Rotary Ramble 5 K Run or Walk** – Raising Funds for Rock Island Rotary Community Projects
- **Sunday December 3rd 2017 at 9:00am**
 - Start and Finish Location – IBEW Hall at 1700 52 Ave. Moline, IL (South of Southpark Mall)
 - * Fast, Flat and Scenic Course
- **5K Runners – Overall Male and Female Winner Awards**
1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards for these age groups:
0-9, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, and 80+
- **Walker Category – Overall Male and Female Winner Awards**
1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards for these age groups:
0-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60+
- **Food/Drinks and Drawing** – Post race at the Awards Ceremony at the IBEW approximately 10:00 am.
- **Fees / Registration**
 - 5K Runners and Walkers - \$30.00 by 11/25/17 or \$35.00 on Race Day Morning
 - Phantom Runner – Shirt Only with no race registration -- \$20.00
(Must provide address and contact info.)
- **Additional Donations** accepted for Rock Island Rotary projects.
- **Packet Pick Up and/or Race Day Registration:** 7:15am-8:30am on Race Day
- **Grand Prize Drawing** for a \$200 Visa Gift Card – Pre-Registered Runners Only that have Registered by 11/25/17.
Must be present to win – No exceptions!
- **Food and Drink** – Post Race at the Awards Ceremony – Sandwiches and Desserts and refreshments.
- **Sponsors** – Rock Island Rotary, IBEW, and many more



Online registration at: https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=128242

- **Official Entry Form – Please Print !!!**

First name _____ Mid _____ Last name _____ Age on race day _____
Date of Birth ____/____/____ Male ____ Female ____ Run ____ Walk ____ Phantom Runner Shirt only ____
Circle Shirt Size S M L XL XXL (add \$2.00 for XXL) Phone # _____ - _____ - _____
Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____
e-mail address _____

- **Waiver must be signed and acknowledged:**

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I for myself, my executors, administrators, and assignees, do Hereby release and discharge the IBEW, Rock Island Rotary, the city of Moline, any sponsors, supporters or volunteers, for all claims, of damages, demands, actions whatsoever in any manner arising or growing out of my participation in the ROTARY RAMBLE 5K run or Walk. I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks Involved in this event, and I am physically fit, and sufficiently trained to participate in this event.

Signature _____ Date _____ (Participant or Parent / Guardian if under 18 yrs. of age.)

Make Checks Payable to Rock Island Rotary / Rotary Ramble and mail entry with payment to:

Rock Island Rotary / Ramble PO Box 4514 Rock Island, IL 61204-4514

No Refunds – Race will be held Regardless and weather conditions may vary.