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# Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review

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MEETING EVERY TUESDAY NOON - QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER



## ROTARY IN KAHONDO UGANDA

Cindy Duncan of the Ottawa Rotary Club was guest speaker at today's Rotary meeting. The Ottawa Rotary is spearheading a district wide project to outfit a new medical center in Kahondo, Uganda. The Amagara Ga' Boona Medical Center is an eight-room block building with a surgical suite, a pharmacy, patient wards, laboratory, medical examination room and an office. It demonstrates the patience and resolve of the local people, who have spent more than 5 years working under very primitive conditions to reach the reality of bricks and mortar. Amagara Ga' Boona will serve a population of over 25 thousand people. The nearest hospital is currently 45 miles away via dirt road in a fee for service taxi or motorcycle. The Rotary Global Grant project will meet a pressing community need by establishing a 24-

### July - August Calendar

- July 19 - Rotary Night at the Ballpark
- July 24 - District Governor Kathleen Kwiat-Hess
- July 31 - Amy Schaefer, Marketing Director, YWCA Quad Cities
- Aug 7 - Ben Leischner, new QC airport executive director
- Aug 14 - Tony McCombie – State of the State.
- Aug 21 - Club Assembly
- Sept 11- State of the Schools, Dr. Mike Oberhaus, Joint with Kiwanis



hour community health center aimed at increasing accessibility and availability of a range of medical health services in hard to reach areas that are currently nonexistent. Such Medical services will decrease maternal and new born mortality rates, and greatly reduce preventable diseases through education. You cannot even imagine how much it is needed, and how much it will forever change the lives of our friends in the Kamwenge District of Uganda. Duncan, the Ottawa Noon Club Foundation Chairperson and author of the Global Grant application, received a stipend to visit the

site of the medical center. She and the Ottawa team, who visits Kahondo every year, evaluated the site, the building, and the overall need for this medical center. A registered nurse for 42 years, Cindy has vast experience and knowledge in the medical field, as well as short and long-term care in private and public facilities. When she was there in June, she assisted in setting up a mobile clinic and by nightfall an astounding 386 villagers were seen, evaluated, received lab services and had medications dispensed, the last hours by flash light. Ottawa Rotary partnered with the Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach Program in Springfield, Illinois, to obtain \$150,000-\$250,000 of major medical equipment, and had it shipped to Uganda. The new medical center will truly be transformative. To completely outfit the clinic Ottawa applied for a Rotary Global Grant, of \$150,000 in medical equipment and supplies. The Ottawa Club was required to raise \$18,000 - \$20,000 "up-front money" to submit the grant application. **Rock Island Rotary**, along with several other District 6420 clubs **joined the project and donated \$2,000**. Cindy reported that in her visit to Uganda they found villagers typically wear no shoes. When the men go to the steams to collect reeds for the mats they weave, parasites entered their bodies through their feet and frequently would result in the villager going blind. Malaria and syphilis, although very treatable, are rampant and deadly because of the lack of medical care. Pre-natal care is non-existent causing preventable loss of life for both infants and mothers. Boys and girls both keep their head shaven to avoid parasites in the hair with no showers available and soap a "luxury". Families feel fortunate to have a shared "family" toothbrush. The Rotary provided and fully equipped medical center will be life-changing for the community. Thanks Cindy for making us aware; and allowing Rock Island Rotary to share in this incredibly important project!

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#### 2018-19

Aug – Sept: Stan Coin  
 Oct – Nov: Mike Locander  
 Dec – Jan: John Wetzel  
 Feb – Mar: TBA  
 Apr – May: Gary Rowe  
 June – July: TBA

## Club Notes & Announcements!

- ☐ **WELCOME GUESTS!** Rock Island Rotary was pleased to welcome Marvel Green, wife of Bill Green, and former club member Ametra Carrol-Castaneda, a guest of Dave Geenen. Rock Island Rotary enjoys welcoming guests to our meetings. Have you invited a prospective member to be your guest? Membership recruitment is a responsibility of all Rotarians!
- ☐ **NEW GUEST/MEMBERSHIP BROCHURES**, printed courtesy of John Olinger and Modern Woodmen, were distributed last week. If you didn't take one or two, you are forgetting your member recruiting duties! Get more from the Sergeant at Arms. They are excellent to hand to anyone you think might be a potential new member. Every member should have several! Bring a guest next week!
- ☐ **2018-19 ROSTER DISTRIBUTION** – The new 2018-19 Roster Books were handed out today. If you didn't get yours, you can pick it up at the Sergeant at Arms table at next Tuesday's meeting. Be sure to stay informed, get your current club directory.
- ☐ **SERVICE OPPORTUNITY** – Help is still needed with the Heart of Hope Food Pantry. We help every Thursdays from 6 to 7:30pm. It's easy duty and is truly Service Above Self at its most basic definition. Contact Al Metz or Steve Morenz to join our team of volunteers! Used but sound plastic bags are needed too. Call Al Metz to help at 309-236-2013.
- ☐ **BOARD MEMBERS** meet with our new District Governor at 11am prior to our regular meeting **next Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**. [Mark your calendar!](#)
- ☐ **Have Items for our Newsletter?** Email to [bobdebswanson@att.net](mailto: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!

## BOARD APPROVES APPLICATION FOR DISTRICT GRANT



At yesterday's meeting of our club Board of Directors, approval was given to apply for a \$1,500 matching grant which will allow our club to support "Braking Traffik" of the Quad Cities. Braking Traffik is dedicated to eradicating sex trafficking in the Quad City area of Iowa and Illinois. The group strives to achieve this goal through: **Education**, providing training on sex trafficking to organizations which respond to and care for victims.

Braking Traffik also provides general awareness training to community, civic and religious organizations. **Legislative Advocacy**, Braking Traffik works to continually strengthen Illinois, Iowa and federal laws which provide justice for victims. **Community Partnerships**, Braking Traffik coordinates efforts among social service providers, medical personnel, law enforcement and faith-based groups to ensure victims receive the holistic care they need. The mission of the organization states: "Sex trafficking involves children and adults forced into the commercial sex industry to include prostitution, stripping and pornography. Braking Traffik's mission is to support and enable the discovery of and response to incidents of sex trafficking through a victim-centered, multidisciplinary, and collaborative community effort in the Quad City area of Iowa and Illinois." If approved our grant application obtain \$1,500 in District funds, which will be matched by \$1,500 in funds from our club. The total of \$3,000 will be used to help provide temporary shelter, emergency food and personal supplies for victims. Braking Traffik is a program under the umbrella of Family Resources.



## FOUNDATION RAFFLE REPORT



Today's raffle featured fine wine from the Lo Milani Collection, a 50/50 cash drawing, and beautiful walnut vase made by Dr. Larry Tadlock. The first lucky ticket was held by Mike Locander, who ignored crowd encouragement, and grabbed the Tadlock vase. Marcy Bell had the second winner and opted to take the cash. She then kindly donated the entire sum to Rotary's Polio Plus campaign. The third and final winning ticket was held by Larry Tadlock, who took home a bottle of Lo Milani's best! Congratulations to all. Keep in mind, all raffle proceeds go to support the International Rotary Foundation. Thank you for participating!

## Amagara Ga' Boona Medical Center Kahondo. Uganda



**Upper Left:** 8-bed ward, the building to the right is the surgical center. **Upper Right:** Mother and children leaving home to walk to clinic. **Mid-Left,** Cindy and volunteer team after seeing over 380 patients in one day! **Mid-Right:** Children excited to have their picture taken because they have never before seen what they look like! **Bottom:** The "ambulance" which prior to the Amagara Ga' Boona Medical Center took emergency patients over a 40-mile dirt, rutted road to get to the nearest medical facility. Cindy tearfully noted that her Rotary grant is now fully funded!

## Foundation Minute

The Rotary Foundation was founded in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." It has grown from an initial contribution in 1917 of \$26.50 from The Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri to more than \$4.4 billion dollars in total contributions. The Rotary Foundation made its first grant of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children in 1930, and to this day, it continues to "do good in the world" in the name of Rotary.

Sixty-eight years later, Rotary launched its PolioPlus program, the first initiative to tackle global polio eradication through the mass vaccination of children. Rotary has contributed more than \$1.7 billion and countless volunteer hours to immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. In addition, Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by donor governments to contribute more than \$7.2 billion to the effort. Your contributions to PolioPlus has enabled that to happen.

# MOLINE ROTARY SPORTS DAY

MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2018

Oakwood Country Club

1067 US Highway 6

Coal Valley, IL

**Rock Island Rotary is Invited to Participate!**

**Registration/Lunch - 11:30**

**Golf - 1:00 (Shot-Gun Start)**

*Note that the event will be played with a preferred ball scramble format.*

**Costs: \$65.00** - Golf, cart, sleeve of balls and prizes. **\$15.00** – Lunch for non-members

Moline Rotary Member's guests will be billed to the Member, other non-members make payment at the Outing, checks payable to the Moline Rotary Club.

*In the event bad weather does not allow the golf to be played, lunch will still be held.*

Lunch will include grilled burgers, pork chop sandwiches, assorted condiments, potato salad, pasta salad, cookies and brownies, ice tea and coffee. A cash bar will be available.

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#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

No metal spikes, soft spikes or soft soled shoes only. Guest lockers are not available, if you are playing golf wear your golf clothes to lunch. Appropriate Country Club attire (no short shorts, collared shirts) is required.

If you are not going to play golf, you are welcome to stay after lunch and play cards.

*Even if you are only going to have lunch, please fill out and return this form as we need an accurate count to give to the Club.*

#### **ROTARY SPORTS DAY**

Please Indicate            Yes    No

I will have lunch            ( )    ( )

I will play golf              ( )    ( )

Sorry, I can't attend            ( )

PLEASE TURN IN AT A MEETING,

MAIL, FAX OR E-MAIL TO:

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THANK YOU

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

DENNIS KELLY

Rest of foursome, if you have one.

Please note any guests you are inviting. If you do not have a foursome for golf, we will arrange for you to be part of a foursome.

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**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS AUGUST 21, 2018**