

Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review

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MEETING EVERY TUESDAY NOON - QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER

WELCOME GOVERNOR KWIAT-HESS



Rock Island Rotary was pleased to welcome our new District Governor, Kathleen Kwiat-Hess as guest speaker for today's lunch meeting. Governor Kwiat-Hess is a 20 year member of the Rockford Rotary Club. Her professional career as a Clinical Social

July - August Calendar

July 31 - Amy Schaefer, Marketing Director, YWCA Quad Cities

Aug 7 - Ben Leischner, QC Airport Executive Director

Aug 14 - Erik Elsea, Mississippi Shelter Box Expedition

Aug 21 - Club Assembly

Aug 28 - Ruth Lee - Rotary Foundation

Sept 4 - Amy Trimble, Watermark

Corners

Sept 11 - State of the Schools, Dr. Mike

Oberhaus, (with Kiwanis)

Sept 18 - Gwen Tomberg, President QC

Storm Hockey Team

Sept 25 - TBA

Worker Specialist will be ending this month with her anticipated retirement. Prior to our luncheon she met with our club officers and directors discussing membership, club goals, and challenges

facing our club and Rotary in general. She spent time going over the requirements for our Club to receive the Rotary Presidential Citation and noted that with all we currently do, achieving this goal is very reachable. In her presentation to our club, Governor Kwiat-Hess emphasized that engaging members is critical for retention. She urged us to be sure that all members are strongly encouraged to be involved in club activities and projects. She also spent time explaining the subtle nuances of this year's president motto and logo. The motto, "Be the Inspiration" encourages Rotarians to take the lead in service. She noted that it only takes one person to be an inspiration for others. With regard to the logo, she pointed out that the wave represents a force of nature that moves things. Rotary is also a force that moves things through humanitarian projects and exchanges that promote world understanding and peace. The crest of the wave leads to a heart and to the shape of a sail, meaning that our force comes from the heart and has direction. With that explanation the logo takes on much more meaning than just a colorful picture. The governor stated that membership is an issue that challenges every club and service organizations in general. She urged us to be creative in approaching new members. Let them know what Rotary has to offer them in addition to all Rotary offers to the community and world. Another important point made by the Governor was that members must be emotionally invested in Rotary before we can expect them to be financially invested. Involvement and engagement in Rotary activities is the key. Kwiat-Hess also noted the fun and service are not mutually exclusive. Membership in Rotary needs to be fun and Rotarians need to enjoy being part of our club and its activities. In closing the Governor stated a goal of increasing the number of district clubs that receive the Rotary Presidential Citation from 10 this past year to 30 in the coming year. A lofty goal, but one she is confidents can be achieved. She also asked each of us to mark our calendars for May 17-18 next spring. That is the date of the next District Conference which will be held in Galena, Illinois. Governor Kwiat-Hess is hopeful many of us will attend.

We greatly appreciated the Governor's visit and look forward to an active and exciting year under her leadership.



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Officers

Sue Cassatt, President Mark Mayeski, 1st VP Angela Campbell, 2nd VP Anne McGlynn, Secretary Carrie Crossen, Treasurer Bruce Peterson, Past Pres. Co-Sergeant at Arms Bob Swanson & Vic Boblett

Board Members

Rick Emery Sarah Gorham Kathy Lelonek John Oliger Justin Peterson Molly Shattuck Bill Stengel Tammy Weikert

Program Chairs 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 Virginia Johnson, wife of Don Peterson as a guest at today's meeting. We also welcomed two visiting Rotarians, Assistant District Governor, David Emerick from the East Moline-Silvis Club, and Duncan Cameron from the Naples, Florida club. 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 Oliger and Modern Woodmen, were distributed last week. If you didn't take one or two, you are forgetting your member recruiting duties! Get a few from the Sergeant at Arms and use them! 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.
- □ **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**th. <u>Mark your calendar!</u>
- ☐ **Have Items for our Newsletter?** Email to <u>bobdebswanson@att.net.</u> 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!

CLOUDY SKY COULDN'T DAMPEN THE FUN OF ROTARY AT THE BALL PARK!

Rain stayed away as Rotarians saw the Cubs defeat the River Bandits at our Annual Rotary Baseball outing. President Sue Cassatt threw out the "first pitch" and Rock Island Rotary's attendance contributed over \$200 to the Rotary "Miracle Field" project. It was "Thirsty Thursday" adding to the evening's enjoyment.



FOUNDATION RAFFLE REPORT



Today's raffle featured fine wine from the Lo Milani Collection and a 50/50 cash drawing. The first lucky ticket was held by Past District Governor, Ruth Lee, who took the cash and promptly donated it to the Rock Island Rotary Club Foundation. Howard Beck had the second winner and took home a bottle of Lo Milani's best! Congratulation to all. Keep in mind, all raffle proceeds go to support the International Rotary Foundation. Thank you for participating!

OUR NEWEST PAUL HARRIS FELLOW HONOREE

Foundation Chairman Bud Phillis had the pleasure of calling Rotarian Dr. Pat Cunningham forward to receive the Paul Harris Fellow Certificate and pin on behalf of his son, Casey Cunningham. Dr. Cunningham and his wife Jane are themselves Paul Harris Fellows and now have extended that honor to their son. Thank you, Pat and Jane, for your generosity and congratulations to your son, Casey, who is a Senior Analyst at T. Rowe Price in Baltimore, Maryland.



Foundation Minute

During the past 100 years, the Foundation has spent \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, countless lives have been made better in your communities and the world. The Rotary Foundation impacts communities through its grants program which offers two opportunities for funding:

District Grants fund small, short term activities that address needs in your community and communities abroad. Each district chooses which activities it will fund with these grants.

And Global Grants that fund large-scale international activities with sustainable and measurable results that support Rotary's six area of focus. Activities include humanitarian projects, scholarships and vocational training teams.

As a Rotarian you are eligible to participate in any one of these programs where it interests you. Just contact your club and/or District Foundation chair.

Thank you.

Five Minute Spotlight - New Addition to Meetings

First Vice President, Mark Mayeski, announced today that starting on August 7th we will be adding a new feature to our regular Tuesday noon meetings. Members will be afforded the opportunity to present a five-minute program on their business or organization to better acquaint us with the many talents and services that are available through fellow Rotarians. Mark asked that any members interested in making a presentation email him at mark.wayeski@edwardjones.com. He will see that you are added to our program calendar. Our hope is to re-connect with Paul Harris' original purpose in creating Rotary, an opportunity to bring the best, brightest, and most ethic professionals together with an opportunity to network with one another. We would love to hear about you! Let Mark know your willingness to briefly share information about you and what you do.

EARL HANSON BIRTHDAY BOOKS

It's that time of month once again to distribute books to Earl Hanson school children celebrating birthdays in July. Help is always need for this fun and rewarding service project. Please arrive at Earl Hanson School by 2:15 this Thursday. Let the office know you're there to hand out books for the birthday celebration. Join fellow Rotarians along with the kids for some fun and refreshments. You'll be asked to "autograph" the books you give away! The smiles and laughter will definitely make your day brighter!



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.

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.

			PLEASE TURN IN AT A MEETING,
ROTARY SPORTS DAY			MAIL, FAX OR E-MAIL TO:
Please Indicate	Yes	No	Dennis Kelly
			Kelly & Associates-Architecture
I will have lunch	()	()	3800 Archer Drive
I will play golf	()	()	East Moline, IL 61244
Sorry, I can't attend		()	309-751-3026
			309-751-3028 Fax
			dkelly@kellyarchitecture.com
			THANK YOU
NAME			
(please print)			DENNIS KELLY
Rest of foursome, if	you have	e one.	

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS AUGUST 21, 2018

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.