



# Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review

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MEETING EVERY TUESDAY NOON - QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER



District Foundation Chair and fellow Rock Island Rotarian, **Ruth Lee**, presented the program at today's meeting. Ruth highlighted two important dates for us to remember: **October 24<sup>th</sup> - World Polio Day** (Let's partner with a local business and raise funds that day ) **November 10<sup>th</sup> - Annual Foundation Dinner in Dixon, IL**. Celebrating club projects in our district and our Global Scholar. Rock Island can celebrate proudly as we hit **161%** of our foundation giving goal for last year. About 90% of the funds we give are used to support service projects in these areas: **Polio Eradication, Peacemakers, Clean Water, Strengthening local Economies, and Fighting Disease**. In our efforts to eradicate polio it costs approximately .60 cents to protect one child. Every \$1 we donate is matched by \$2 from Bill and Melinda Gates. When we make a donation to the Rotary Foundation the funds can be designated in two different funds - **The Annual Fund** which funnels money back into our district for our designated projects, and **Polio Plus**. Unless our members indicate otherwise typically our donations to the Foundation are divided 50-50 to each of those funds. Ruth explained the different designations for various levels of giving. A **Sustaining member** donates \$100 per year. A **Paul Harris Fellow** is designated once a member has given \$1,000. Members of the **Paul Harris Society** give \$1,000 each year. Members of the **Bequest Society** have pledged \$10,000 via designation in their estate planning. **Major Donors** are celebrated and honored with donations in excess of \$10,000. The Rock Island Rotary has been very generous with donations over the past few years and a few of our active members have been recognized as Major Donors. Administration and oversight of the Foundation funds and distribution process is monitored and controlled by a thorough system of checks and balances. This system has consistently ranked The Rotary Foundation among the best of many charitable organizations worldwide. Giving to the Rotary Foundation has a great influence in doing life changing things in the world. Ruth challenged us all to "**Catch the Wave ... and ... Be the Inspiration** ".

## August – October Calendar

- 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- Ken Massey, CEO and Pres., Modern Woodmen
- Sept 25- Tony McCombie, State of the State
- Oct 2 - Gwen Tomberg, President QC Storm Hockey Team
- Oct 9 - Paul Rumler, Quad City Chamber
- Oct 16 - Donna Honold, RiFFLE " Emotional Intelligence "
- Oct 30 - Caitlin Russell, Russell Construction



## Welcome to our new exchange daughter *Rocio* from Chile!!

She will be attending Rock Island High School and we all look forward to a great year ahead with her joining us.



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## Club Notes & Announcements!

☐ **WELCOME GUESTS!** Rock Island Rotary was pleased to welcome Duncan Cameron from the Naples, Florida Club and Mark Zimmerman from the Davenport Club. We also introduced Rocio from Chile. 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. 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 again available today. If you didn't get yours, you can pick one 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 5:30 to 7:30pm. It's easy duty and is truly Service Above Self at its most basic definition. Volunteers have been scarce lately, so please contact Al Metz to join our team of volunteers! Used but sound plastic bags are needed too. Call Al Metz to help at 309-236-2013.

☐ **New Member Applicant: Jeff Whitaker** Principal at RIHS has been proposed for club membership. Send comments to President Sue Cassatt or 1<sup>st</sup> VP Mark Mayeski.

☐ **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!

### QUAD CITY DINING BOOKS ARE BACK!



Bud Phillis has the new Quad City Dining Books available for purchase from Rotary. Cost is \$35 per book. With over 150 restaurants represented you're sure to find your favorites along with new places to try. If you only use the Circa 21 coupon the savings more than pays for the book! For every book sold our Club receives \$10. Look at all the establishments you can visit and save at least half off! They also make excellent gifts for friends and family member. Everyone enjoys eating out so why not save half price each time you go and fundraise for Rock Island Rotary at the same time!

### FOUNDATION RAFFLE REPORT



Today's raffle featured a carved vase from Larry Tadlock, fine wine from the Lo Milani Collection and a 50/50 cash drawing. The first lucky ticket was held by Tricia Barron, who opted for the vase. The second lucky ticket was held by Jeff Dismar who gave money to Rocio. Duncan Cameron won the wine. Keep in mind, all raffle proceeds go to support the International Rotary Foundation which helps ensure that Rotary can continue humanitarian work throughout the world. Thank you to all who participated!

## Foundation Minute

In Vancouver, British Columbia there exists a Police Tactical Training Center a state-of-the-art facility complete with firing range, simulation rooms, gymnasium, and classrooms. A Rotary Peace Fellow named Bryan Nykon, has put his police experience and his education as a Rotary Peace Fellow to work in this facility. He trains police members to de-escalate unpredictable situations and to use words in place of force, when possible, to control confrontations.

Bryan's duties include teaching high-yield, low-risk judo combined with the tactical police judo, focusing on control tactics best suited to street-level policing and self-defense. The approach incorporates empty-handed control and defensive tactics like arm-grabbing or using pressure points.

The highest risk of violence generally occurs during an arrest. Bryan teaches his students that risk can be avoided by something as simple as altering your arm grip. One grip gives the person enough room to swing around with a kick, while another can prevent that from happening. Everyone's safer when a fight is avoided.

Law enforcement agencies have policies that guide the use of force, describing an escalating series of actions to resolve a situation. Police officers are instructed to respond with a level of force appropriate to the situation. The policies acknowledge that the officer may have to move from one part of the continuum to another in a matter of seconds. This is a key area where Bryan's training at the Rotary Peace Center influences how he instructs recruits and experienced police officers.

The use of words, or when necessary open hand control, can reduce the need for a baton or Taser-like device, thus avoiding interactions that can intensify into prolonged confrontations with a community lasting for weeks.

Bryan has learned at the Rotary Peace Center, that critical listening is the most important lesson which he uses now in training police officers. "Police officers need to listen to find out what is happening, how they can help, and who is responsible before applying any kind of force, whenever possible ... "You need to really listen to understand what the person is saying. Do they understand what is happening, is there a language barrier, drugs, or a cognitive challenge?"

It is rewarding to see a Rotary Peace Fellow applying their skills, experience, and training to reduce the need for the use of force in the community. Your contribution to The Rotary Foundation enables this to happen. Thank you.

## WINE RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE



Tickets for our first ever Wine Raffle Fundraiser are now available. All members are asked to help promote and sell tickets. First prize is \$750 worth of wine of the winners choosing. 2nd place is \$500 and 3rd place \$250. Wine will be provided by the Grape Life Wine Store & Lounge. Cash prizes are available if the winner lives too far away to come select their wines. The winners will be drawn at our fall Rotary Trivia Night on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are just \$5 or five for \$20. We need to sell lots of tickets! All members are encouraged to not only purchase tickets, but to take a packet and sell to your not-Rotarian friends and associated. We need the entire Club to pitch in on this.

# Service Project

**President Sue has requested 8-10 people to help next week after the regular meeting to put together and bag supplies for emergency services in the fight against Human Trafficking. Please volunteer to assist with this “Service Above Self” – Opportunity.**

## **PUMPKIN PALOOZA IS FAST APPROACHING!**

It's that time of year again when Rock Island Rotary prepares to treat all the Kindergarten and first graders from Earl Hanson Elementary School to a day at the Pumpkin Patch. All the kids get a tee shirt, lunch, petting zoo tour, hayrack ride, adventures through the corn maze, panning for "gems", and a ride on the wild cow train! The date is October 3<sup>rd</sup> and Rotarian volunteers are needed to help with the kids and to join in the fun. But our chances to get involved go beyond spending time with the kids. Event sponsors are also needed. For a donation of \$100 your business or family name will be printed on the tee shirts that the kids will wear throughout the year. It's some of the best priced advertising and good will you can buy! Contact Mike Locander or Trisha Barron to be a sponsor or to volunteer to help on Palooza day.

