



Rock Island Rotary

Weekly Review

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MEETING EVERY TUESDAY NOON - QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER



DE LA CERDA HOUSE

July – September Calendar

July 30 - IDOT - I74 Bridge Update
Aug 6 - Carrie Crossen – Pet Foster Mom
Aug 13 - Katie Snyder - Mississippi Bend Trykes
Aug 20 - Katie Thompson
Aug 27 - Peter & Mel Wessels
Sept 3 - State of the Schools – Dr. Reginald Lawrence II
Sept 10- Andy McCray Chief Meteorologist, WHBF-TV
Sept 17- Dr Christopher Peters
Sept 24- Nisha Ladlee - Family Resources

Guest speaker at Rotary today was Cathy Jordan, Executive Director of the DeLaCerde House. DeLaCerde House, Inc. was named for James DeLaCerde. Born in Muscatine, IA, Jim DeLaCerde graduated from the University of Illinois, receiving bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing. He was a Navy veteran from the Vietnam era and a trauma specialist, certified in medical and surgical nursing. Jim DeLaCerde, a nurse practitioner, worked with AIDS patients at Cook County Hospital from 1984 to 1990 and was the first coordinator of the AIDS unit when it opened there in 1989. In 1990, he became nurse manager of the AIDS unit of Davies Medical Center in San Francisco. Jim moved to Rock Island in early 1993, to be close to his family and friends as he was dying from AIDS. He died in May of 1993 at the age of 46. His colleagues remembered him "as real fighter, especially for other people's rights. He wanted society to see AIDS and the people with it in a more logical and rational way. Jim DeLaCerde's legacy as an AIDS treatment advocate has been honorably fulfilled through the creation and ongoing work of the DeLaCerde House. DeLaCerde House opened the first property in 1996, to provide housing and a safe haven to those individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. Currently the organization has three properties, each named for a deceased volunteer who dedicated time, labor, and money to grow the organization. Robb's House provides a community living environment for 5 individuals that are living with HIV or AIDS it is designed for persons in transition with residency limited to six months.. Steven's Place is a permanent supportive housing program for individuals that are experiencing homelessness and living with HIV or AIDS. It includes 8 one-bedroom apartments. In 2009, Longview Place was opened to address the needs of families with dependent children that are living with HIV or AIDS. This large historic home was completely remodeled to provide two separate duplexes to assist these families with receiving supportive services while living independently. Ms. Jordan noted that approximately 1.1 million people in the U.S. are living with HIV today. About 15 percent of them (1 in 7) are unaware they are infected. Of those infected with the virus, 63% received some HIV medical care, 49% were retained in continuous HIV care, and 51% had achieved viral suppression (having a very low level of the virus). A suppressed viral load protects the health of a person living with HIV, preventing disease progression. There is also a major prevention benefit. A person living with HIV who takes HIV medicine as daily prescribed and gets and stays virally suppressed can stay healthy and has effectively no risk of sexually transmitting HIV to HIV-negative partners. Those that don't seek medical help often progress to a stage 3 (AIDS) diagnosis. In 2017, 17,803 people in the U.S. were identified as suffering from AIDS. A Plan for America, announced by President Trump in his State of the Union address on February 5, 2019, is a bold approach to eliminate new HIV infections in our nation. It is built upon the following key strategies: Diagnosing all individuals with HIV as early as possible after infection; Treating HIV rapidly and effectively after diagnosis to achieve sustained viral suppression; Protecting individuals at risk for HIV using proven prevention approaches; Responding rapidly to detect and respond to growing HIV clusters and prevent new infections. The proposed initiative is designed to rapidly increase use of these strategies in the 48 counties with the highest HIV burden, as well as in Washington, D.C.; San Juan, Puerto Rico; and seven states with a disproportionate rural HIV burden. The goal is to reduce new HIV infections by 90 percent over 10 years. DeLaCerde House is already receiving funds from the president's initiative.



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Aug. – Sep. Kathy Trone
Oct. – Nov Cindi Gramenz
Dec. – Jan John Wetzel
Feb. – Mar: Volunteer Needed
Apr. – May: Gary Rowe
June – July: Volunteer Needed

Club Notes & Announcements!

□ **WELCOME GUESTS!** Guests at today's meeting included our rebound exchange student, Amanda Murray; out outbound exchange student Andrea Rangel; Trish Matson director of the RIHS Entrepreneur program and a guest of Monta Ponsetto; and Susan Llewellyn, a guest of Julie Gelaude. We had two visiting Rotarians today, Duncan Cameron from the Naples, Florida Club and Greg Lundgren from the North Scott Club. Guests are always welcome at the **Number One Club**, Rock Island Rotary!

□ **SERVICE** – Help is 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. They also are collecting men's and women's clothing for their free clothing exchange. Drop off anytime the Heart of Hope Center is open. Call Al Metz to volunteer to help at 309-236-2013 or just show up any Thursday at 5:15. It's easy duty!

□ **PAUL HARRIS MATCHING FUNDS** – are temporarily suspended to allow the fund balance to grow. We've had a fortunate problem, recently so many Rock Island Rotarians earned Paul Harris honors that the matching fund balance has been depleted. It is anticipated that after allowing the fund to replenish a matching system we be established again.

□ **LABOR DAY PARADE** – Mark your calendar. Rotary will have two cars, a float, plus bikers and walkers. Join in the fun, be a part of Rotary's parade entry! The date is Monday, September 2nd. Parade kicks off at 9:30am. Line up location will be provided in future newsletters.

□ **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 REPORT

Today's raffle featured a 50/50 cash drawing, and a bottle of fine wine from the Lo Milani cellar. The first lucky ticket was held by Sue Rector who took the cash and donated her earnings to the Rotary International Foundation. The second lucky winner was Larry Tadlock who won the wine. Proceeds from our raffle go to the Rotary International Foundation. **Thanks to all who participated!**

Pumpkin Palooza is set for Wednesday, October 2. We take 90 1st and 2nd graders from Earl Hanson to Country Corners for a special day of October fun in the sun. Volunteers are needed for the day to join in the joy and accompany the kiddos. 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Sponsors are needed to help purchase a special T-shirt for the day. Sponsorship is \$100 and your name/logo will be on the shirt. Dave Geenen shares that those shirts are worn many, many days by our Earl Hanson kiddos so your sponsorship not only provides awesome kids with a new shirt, but it spreads your support through our community for months and years to come. For info, to volunteer or sponsor contact Sue Rector at 563-343-7985 or suerektor@augustana.edu. Thanks for



DINING BOOKS ARE BACK!



Chairman Bud Phillis will have the new 2019 – 2020 Quad City Dining Books at our next meeting. The cost remains just \$35 per book and the Circa 21 coupon alone is worth more than \$35 if you use it to attend our club's Holiday Christmas Party. \$10 from each purchase is donated back to Rock Island Rotary, so besides being a great money saving coupon collection, it is also a fundraiser for our club. Dining books make great gifts and are always appreciated by anyone who enjoys eating out. Featuring over 150 high quality Quad Cities area restaurants, every coupon offers two for the price of one deals. Let Bud know how many books you want!



NEW CLUB DIRECTORY BOOKS AVAILABLE

Each member is entitled to receive a copy of the directory. If you didn't get a copy last week, stop by the Sergeant at Arms table and we'll see that you get one!

Please check the list of Paul Harris Fellows, to ensure that all you have bestowed are listed. If their name is not the same as yours and you would like to be identified as the source of their honor, let Bob Swanson know and we will add it for next year's book.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLASS ALIVE AND WELL - BUT NEEDS HELP!

Nearly five years ago our Club voted to invest \$10,000 in a concept for a new and innovative class to be offered at Rock Island High School. Our donation along with support from other donors led to the renovation of a classroom, hiring a head teacher, obtaining special training and curricula materials, and equipping the room with necessary supplies and equipment. From all of that, the INCubator Entrepreneur Program was launched. The program has been highly successful and is a model for many other schools in Illinois and Iowa. Participants in the class have won numerous local, state, and national honors, including the national championship for best business concept. A big part of the program is having mentors and coaches to work with the students. Several Rotarians have participated but more are needed. The commitment is anywhere from one contact with a student team per week, to just three teaching sessions of with materials provided. You would teach two 50-minute classes for three days in an area of your own expertise. Anyone interested in helping should contact Monta Ponsetto or Trish Matson, the program teacher. Sarah Cross has agreed to be our liaison with Rock Island High School and the program.

FRANK LAMBERT HONORED

Rotary Foundation chair, Bud Phillis had the pleasure today of presenting Frank Lambert with his Paul Harris +6 Award. The jeweled pin signifies that Frank's Contributions to the Rotary International Foundation have reached \$6,000. In accepting the recognition Frank noted that he has bestowed Paul Harris honors on his wife, children, parents, and other relatives and is now working on the next generation, hoping to see his grandchildren honored as Paul Harris Fellows in the future. Congratulations Frank. and thanks for your dedication and commitment to



Rotary Banners To Be Preserved

Anyone who has ever attended a meeting of Rock Island Rotary has seen our big blue banners covered with pennants and flags from Rotary Clubs from all over the world. What you may not know is that we have nearly 30 of these big banners and over 700 small club flags. We also have a box full of small flags that have never been displayed on a big banner. Many of our large banners need repair, others simply are showing their age and are not particularly attractive to display. Recently the Board came up with a solution. We intend to disassemble most of the large banners and to photograph each small Club flag. We will create a video of the banners which can be displayed as often as we wish. We will retain four or five large banners for displaying at meetings. The video will establish a digital repository for all flags so they can be seen and enjoyed for years to come. The actual flags and banners will be carefully stored and preserved. Angela Campbell has taken on the huge job of making the conversion.

MOLINE ROTARY SPORTS DAY

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019

Short Hills Country Club

East Moline, IL

Registration/Lunch - 11:30

Golf - 1:00 (Shotgun Start)

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

Costs: \$65.00 - Golf, cart, sleeve of balls and prizes.

\$33.00 - Includes Golf, cart, sleeve of balls and prizes for Rotary members who are Short Hills members

\$15.00 - Lunch for non-members

\$15.00 - Includes Golf, cart, sleeve of balls and prizes for Rotary members who are Short Hills members with the cart plan

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 cold cuts (turkey and ham), assorted cheeses, lettuce, tomatoes and condiments, assorted breads, potato salad, house salad, coffee and iced tea. 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
I will have lunch	()	()
I will play golf	()	()
Member of Short Hills	()	()
Short Hills Cart Plan	()	()
Sorry I can't attend	()	()

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NAME _____

(please print)

THANK YOU
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.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS AUGUST 20, 2019

Rock Island Rotary Has Fun at the Ball Park

On Thursday, July 18 area Rotary Clubs joined together at Modern Woodman Stadium for "Rotary Night at the Ballpark" to see the River Bandits take on the Dayton Dragons. Unfortunately, the Bandits lost the game, but Rock Island Rotarians won the night! Our club purchased the most tickets for the event earning our president, Mark Mayeski, the honor of throwing out the very first pitch of the evening. You can relive that momentous event by just clicking on this link to see a video of his fastball strike: [IMG_3694.mov](#) If you missed it this year, be sure to watch for next year's River Bandits outing! A portion of every ticket we purchased will be donated back to our club.



Mascot "Bandit" Greets Rotarians



Thanks John Oliger for organizing the event for us!



Looks like Kevin Koski visited concessions!



Bandits catcher congratulates Pres. Mark



John Phillips and family enjoy the night!



Bob Swanson's daughter, Jen & hubby Ken



Bob & Sue Cassatt enjoying the summer weather



Molly Shattuck with kids and Grandpa Tom Hammar & Sue



John & Geralyn MeEvoy , Frank & Jan Loomis



Bill DeVrieze & Merrill Morris joined the fun!



Bob & Debbi Swanson enjoy the game



Rock Island Rotary TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, November 8th 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 supports Earl Hanson Elementary School and RI Rotary Community Grants. Corporate Sponsorships are available!

When: Friday, November 8th, 2019

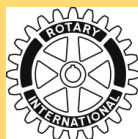
Where: Milan Community Center, 2701 1st Street East, Milan

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

Cost: \$100 a table, up to 10 players

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!



Rock Island Rotary TRIVIA NIGHT

Proceeds benefit Rock Island Rotary Youth Programs

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Gold Sponsor \$500

- Listed on all advertising material
- Complimentary Table for up to 10 players, including mulligans and double score sticker
- Day of event recognition as a Gold Sponsor

Corporate Sponsor \$250

- Complimentary Table for up to 10 players
- Day of event recognition as a Corporate Sponsor

Friend of Rotary \$100

- Day of event recognition as a Friend of Rotary



Rotary Club of Rock Island

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May 15th, 2019

Dear Business Owner/Corporate Donor:

The Rock Island Rotary Club is preparing for Rotary Trivia Night, an annual fundraising event, to be held Friday, November 8th, 2019 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the Camden Centre in Milan, IL.

Proceeds from this event will help support youth programs in our community. Last year the club was able to support the Rock Island High School Interact Club, sponsor outreach activities for Rock Island elementary students and support various other QC youth programs. These valuable programs keep our youth engaged in positive, healthy activities.

We need your help to make this event a success. PLEASE consider donating an item for the silent auction. Any item is greatly appreciated, and all donations are tax deductible, as we are a not for profit, 501c3 organization. Your donation will be appropriately acknowledged at the event. If you would like to get a Trivia Team together, it is \$100 for up to 10 players and promises to be a fun night with Mr. Trivia at the microphone!

You may send your donation to the address above. I would also be more than happy to stop by and collect the item. Please let me know via email if this is your preference. Kathy@wesselspc.com

Thank you in advance for everything you do to support events and organizations in the Quad Cities! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards,

Kathy Trone - Rock Island Rotary Fundraising Chair
(309) 794-9400

CHEO LEAVES FOR HOME IN CHILI

Exchange Daughter boarded her plane and headed home on Sunday. Here are a few last looks

