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Rock Island Rotary Weekly Review

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MEETING TUESDAY NOON - QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER



DR. KATIE POWERS, Pediatric Physical Therapy Specialist



Today's guest speaker was Dr. Katie Powers. Dr. Powers earned her Bachelor of Science and Dr. of Physical Therapy Degrees from St. Ambrose University. She is Certified and Licensed in the State of Iowa, by the Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy, and is a Board-Certified Specialist in Pediatric Physical Therapy by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties. She is an APTA Credentialed Advanced Clinical Instructor and an APTA Credentialed Clinical Instructor.

Dr. Powers teaches core content in the Doctor of Physical Therapy program at St. Ambrose with a specialty in Pediatrics. Dr. Powers also serves on the staff of the Genesis Health System in Bettendorf. In addition to her work with children in both the Genesis and St. Ambrose Clinics, Dr. Powers is active with Mississippi Bend Trykes, a chapter of the National AMBUCS organization, with a mission of helping children from Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois obtain adaptive tricycles. She is also an avid dance instructor and coach and is an instrumental figure in the local entry into the Miss America Pageant, the Miss Blackhawk Valley Competition. Dr. Powers is a local girl having attended and graduated from United Township High School in East Moline prior to enrolling at St. Ambrose. She spent 13 years on the staff of the Genesis Pediatrics Therapy Center. During her time as a full-time therapist that Center grew from eight therapists to now over 30 therapists on staff. While serving on staff she was invited to be an adjunct professor at her alma mater and joined the St. Ambrose faculty on a part time basis. As that program grew her enjoyment of working with young men and women in the program led to her accepting a full position with the St. Ambrose Faculty. Her work there includes supervision and hands on work in the St. Ambrose pediatric therapy clinic which provides services free of charge to those that have no insurance or who have exhausted their insurance benefits but require additional or continuing therapeutic services. She continues working on a part time basis at the Genesis Pediatric Therapy Center which is located in Bettendorf. She was very pleased to announce that this summer they will be opening a clinic on the Illinois side, to be located off 7th Street in Moline, in the area behind the Target/Kohls shopping center. Turning to the Tryke Program, Dr. Powers has been active in the organization since its founding six years ago. Through the years they have provided hundreds of adaptive Trykes to children with varying degrees of disability. The Trykes are custom built for each child's needs and are provided free of charge. Volunteers assemble the bikes and have the pleasure of seeing a thrilled child take their first ride on their new Tryke. This year alone Mississippi Bend Trykes has built and donated 224 Trykes. They have 13 more currently being built and 16 additional on order. They also have a recycling program that takes back Trykes the child has outgrown, replaces it with a Tryke matched to the size of the child, and reconditions or rebuilds the returned Tryke to be reused by a smaller child. Dr. Peters then turned her attention to the Miss America Program in which she participated in her younger days. She credited the program with developing her speaking ability, poise, understanding competition and its importance, and learning interviewing skills. Because of her gratitude for what she gained, she had a desire to give back and is now a key figure in the administration of the Miss Blackhawk Valley Competition, which is the preliminary stage in our area for the Miss America competition. Finally, speaking about her interest in dance and being a dance instruction, she again spoke of her personal experience in dance as you young girl and as part of dance teams at United Township and St. Ambrose. She said the experience was fun, rewarding, and she enjoys helping others learn and participate. Thanks, Katie for a fun and informative presentation. Our Club looks forward to again helping build Trykes with you!

May - June Calendar

- May 10 - Sarah Leonard – Earl Hanson Principal
- May 17 - Aaron Sutherland- IL Casualty Company
- May 24 - Dr. Julie Schroeder - Life and Family Medical
- May 31 - Megan Brown-Saldana Lead(HER) - Exec. Director
- June 7 - TBA
- June 14 - TBA
- June 21 - TBA
- June 28 - President Peterson's Final Address
- July 5 - President Gramenz Induction and Address



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Apr-May	– Kathy Trone/ Jeff Rose
Jun-Jul	– Tom Hammar

Club Notes & Announcements!

- ❑ **WELCOME GUESTS** – We were pleased to welcome many guests today. We had three visiting Rotarians. Dr. Bruce Peterson from the River Cities Club and Duncan Cameron from the Naples, FL Club joined us in person, and Mark Zimmerman of the Davenport Club joined via Zoom. We had Jr. Rotarians Danielle Luzano and Lauren Melin from Alleman and Nalie Ninahasne and Lucas Hansen from Rock Island High School. Our new Interact faculty sponsor from Rocky, Lonnie Behnke also joined us. Prospective members Tracy Pugh and Tyla Sherwin-Cole were present. Hannah Carr was a guest of Dave Hodge. Robert Erichson and Austin Ziegler were guests of John Daly. Anne Hewitt with Senator Anderson's office also visited today. We welcome all visitors and hope you enjoyed our meeting.
- ❑ **KEEP THEM ENGAGED – HELP NEEDED** We will be putting together the final packs to present to the Earl Hanson Students immediately after next week's meeting. We ask every Rotarian that can to stay after the meeting to help. We have 300 packets to fill. With 20 people that will be just 15 each and we'll be done quickly. If more stay we'll get done even faster, however is we just have 4 or 5 volunteers the job could take an hour or more! PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN!
- ❑ **GREETERS NEEDED** – Please sign up at the Sergeant at Arms table. It's a great way for newer members to meet fellow Rotarians and for long time members to meet our newer members. Spots are open for meetings in May and beyond. All you need to do is to arrive a bit early for the meeting. Bring a smile and handshake or fist bump. We want all who enter to feel welcome.
- ❑ **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2022-23** – Preident elect Cindi informs us that very few have contacted her with committee preferences for the next Rotary year which begins July 1st. We would like every member on at least one committee. Consult your club directory for a list of all our committee. Keep in mind that if you fail to let her know where you would be willing to serve, you may be **assigned** to an area that may not be great interest to you. If you want some input on where your energies can best be used, let Cindi know at cgramenz15@gmail.com
- ❑ **NEWSLETTER** – Send items for our newsletter to bobdebswanson@att.net. Committee chairs be sure to send notification of upcoming meetings.

Rock Island Rotary Literacy Committee

"Keep them Engaged"

Summer Packs for Earl Hanson School

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS

WE WILL BE PUTTING THE PACKS TOGETHER RIGHT AFTER OUR MEETING NEXT WEEK. HELP IS NEEDED! STAY IF YOU CAN! MORE HELP = DONE FASTER!

FINES – HAPPY/SAD DOLLARS

President Justin filled in for VP Eric today and generated a pretty good sum of fines and donations. Clarence offered 4 sad dollars for a cartoon appearing in a previous newsletter that with a smile he said violated 4 of Rotary's Four Way Test. Duncan Cameron had a happy dollar for being back in the beautiful Quad Cities for the summer season. John Wetzel had 5 happy dollars celebrating his wife Marcia's winning a \$50 bottle of Nimble wine at the District Conference. Sue Rector had 5 sad dollars in honor of Knox County Sheriff's Deputy Nicholas Weist who was struck and killed by a criminal fleeing from police. Nicholas was a childhood friend of Sue's daughter and a student in a Sunday School class taught by Sue. What brought in the most money was a group fine of \$1 for every member who did not attend the District Conference this past weekend. Thanks to everyone for your generosity and good humor!

FOUNDATION MINUTE

While the focus this month is on the health of mothers and their children, The Rotary Foundation through the Rotary Disaster Response Grants have not stopped raising funds for relief efforts toward the on-going war in Ukraine. In the meantime, a Rotary Foundation Global Grant has resulted in the construction of much-needed classrooms for school children in Uganda. The Rotary Club of Paignton, UK (D1175) and The Netherlands Rotary Dokkum (D1590) generally work together every third year on international projects, and this year, they decided on supporting the construction of classrooms in Munami, a village in Uganda. According to a report published in The Torbay Weekly, until 2018, the village had no classroom or qualified teachers and many children sat on the ground under a tree or in makeshift huts to learn the basics of reading and writing. Robbie Clymo, a member of Paignton Rotary Club, said: "This is one of Rotary's core beliefs of education and Rotary Paignton were proud to be part of this project."

Uganda: Fast Facts

Slightly smaller than the UK, or US state of OREGON

- Capital City: Kampala
- 42,886,000 (pop) 89.4% Rural ;10.6 % Urban
- Population Projection for 2030: 55,723,000
- Life Expectancy: 65.5% Male; 70% Female
- Number of Rotary Clubs: More than 400
- Sam Owori, RI President-Elect (2018-2019) died before his term
- Rotary Peace Center Established at Makerere University in 2021.

FOUNDATION RAFFLE

Today's raffle featured a bottle of fine wine, a beautiful Angela Campbell fabric bowl, AND a 50/50 cash drawing. The first lucky ticket was held by Frank Lambert who gladly accepted the cash. Ticket winner number two was in the hands of Holly Sparkman who took the bowl. Our final winner was John Wetzel who took home the wine. Now he and Marcia each have their own! Thanks to everyone who participated. All proceeds go to the Rotary Foundation.



Rock Island Rotary 2022

**Wine
Raffle**

All proceeds benefit the

Drawing will be held
in May 24, 2022

Count Down

Sold out!



ROCK ISLAND ROTARY TRIVIA NIGHT SAVE THE DATE –
NOVEMBER 11th
ROCK ISLAND HOLIDAY INN

Rock Island Club Foundation Committee Seeks Suggestions

Each year Rock Island Rotary makes a substantial impact on our Community through our Club Foundation Grant. Unlike our "Community Grants" which tend to be in amounts of \$1,500 or less and are given to multiple organizations each year, the Foundation grant is typically \$10,000 - \$12,000 and is given with the hope of making a major impact on our community and to identify Rock Island Rotary as a major player in community development and improvement. Past grants have been given to purchase the Spring Forward Learning Center Van; to provide Summer Recreation Activities for School Children; to provide books for Summer Learning Program; to assist in construction of a public shower room at Christian Care in Rock Island, and to assist with the purchase and renovation of the Quad City Jewish Center for a new Rock Island branch library.

If you have an idea for our 2022 Foundation Grant, please contact Chairman Bill Stengel at sbriaw@sbriawfirm.law. The more details you can provide, the better!

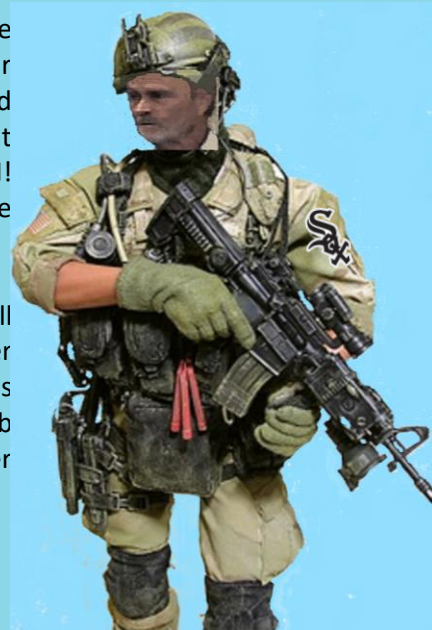
BUCKLE UP PILGRIM! YOU'VE BEEN CHALLENGED

JOHN PHILLIPS' 2022 BASEBALL CHALLENGE!

John took the rostrum today and bet all other Rotarians that his beloved White Sox would have a better record at the end of the regular season than any other Rotarian's favorite team. Like last year he backed up his bet with \$100 and invited any and all comers to bet on their favorite team at whatever amount they wished, \$25, \$50, \$100, or more. WELL, THE CHALLENGE IS ON AGAIN! Losers" won't pay John, rather they will pay either our Club's Foundation or the Rotary International Foundation, leaving the option up to the Rotarian betting.

NOT SO FAST MR. WHITE SOX! Your Challenge was immediately covered by Bill Stengel and Steve Morenz both also betting on the White Sox, but John Oliger bet on the K.C. Royals, Doug Hultquist bet on the Yankees, Frank Lambert put his money on the Cardinals, Sue Rector bet on the Guardians and Bud Phillis, Bob Swanson, and Tom Hammar placing their money and hope on the Cubs! Other are welcome and will be joining the battle soon!

To join the fun. Email John or Bob. This is war with braggin' rights at stake!
Phillipsjohn99@gmail.com or bobdebswanson@att.net



ROCK ISLAND ROTARY SPONSORING FIVE ROCKY STUDENTS FOR RYLA

We are happy to report that on May 6th, Jude Rowell, Brennan Hampton, Lucas Rettig, and Julian Anderson juniors, and Kai Boswell, a sophomore at Rock Island High School will be attending the three-day Rotary RYLA leadership camp at the NIU Lorado Taft Field Campus at Lowden State Park near Oregon, Illinois. The students were recruited and recommended by Lonnie Behnke, the incoming Interact Club Faculty Sponsor at Rocky, and approved by principal Jeff Whitaker. RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) provides a three-day camp full of team building and leadership activities in addition to providing a wealth of information about Rotary and Interact and the importance and opportunity for service. Sponsoring cost is \$180.00 per student. We will invite them to a meeting after they return to report on their experience.

Help is needed to drive the boys to Oregon on Friday, May 6th. They need to arrive between 4 and 5pm to sign in and can leave from Rocky at 2:30pm. The trip is about an hour and forty-five minutes and the stretch of road from Dixon to Oregon on Rt 2 is considered one of the most scenic drives in Illinois. If you can help. Please QUICKLY email Bob Swanson at bobdebswanson@att.net. We have the ride home on Sunday covered. Thanks to Tom Hammar and Rebecca Arnold who will also be driving.

ROTARIANS HELP WITH “Donuts with Grownups”

Rock Island Rotarian volunteers made an early morning trip to Earl Hanson Elementary School on April 14th to help serve Donuts, milk, and juice for the children. Coffee was available for parents who cared to join the fun at 7:15am. The before-school activity was a great chance for elementary aged kids to meet and talk with “Grownups” including four members of our club plus one very dedicated spouse of a member. We’re told it was a fun and very well received event and the donuts were tasty too! It was also a great chance to show kids “service to others” in action.



Rotarian volunteers Bud Phillis, Mary Fislar, Gary Rowe, and Marcy Bell were greeted at “Superstars” for helping serve delicious donuts!



Mary’s always helpful hubby, Dick Fislar was a key helper too!

I believe we mentions it was “Fun” ...

With two other volunteers, here’s the entire crew!



A big “Thank You!” to our fellow Club members who volunteered to make this project a huge success!

NEW MEMBER APPLICANT

Steven Nowinski has applied for membership in Rock Island Rotary. Steven was born and raised in Rock Island and graduated from Rock Island High School. He received his B.A. in Public Relations and Strategic Communications from Olivet Nazarene Univ. His current position is Employer Relations Manager at Augustana College. Please direct comments to Justin Peterson jpeterson@tbkbank.com or Cindi Gramenz cgramenz15@gmail.com.



ROCK ISLAND ROTARY STANDS OUT AT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Our Club was well represented at the District 6420 Conference held in East Moline April 29-May 1st. In addition to a dozen members in attendance, we also we one of just two Clubs with a display table. We had our Water Filter with a self-running power point display; color photos of the filters in use in Kenya, color photos of our Little Libraries; Framed listing all our projects; a Sample of the “Keep Them Engaged” packets we will be giving to all 300 Earl Hanson students at the end of the school year. Members were also on hand selling Wine Raffle Tickets and letting all District Rotarians know about our Fred Houlton Service Above Self Scholarship.

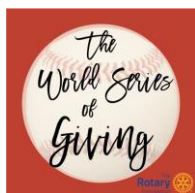
This is the last month for this year's monthly Trivia Contest. Next month, the final World Series of Giving trivia question will be sent directly to all prior month's winners, in addition to those received for Inning #8 prior to May 30. The winner from that limited list of recipients will receive his/her own WSOG commemorative Louisville Slugger bat, to be delivered personally in June.

As was the case last month, your Rotary Foundation World Series of Giving team is providing each club with a Baseball Trivia question (and answer) for you to publish in your next issue of your club bulletin / newsletter. Please publish only the question and invite club members to respond to whomever you designate, with the first correct respondent receiving 100 PHF points from your club. This contest is designed to help encourage your club members to read your bulletin / newsletter and stay engaged with helping your club maximize its Foundation Giving over this Rotary year. Please let me (jmacmurdoil@aol.com) know each month who your winner is, so that we can keep track and enter those individuals into a "Worlds Series Baseball Trivia Contest" in June 2022.

This month's Trivia Question is:

This remarkable former Cub donated his bat to slumping Anthony Rizzo in the 2016 NLCS. He donated his football talent to his college, winning MVP in the championship game during his junior year. And above all he donated his bone marrow to a four-year-old girl suffering from leukemia — inspiring countless others, including a Cub fan who gave one of his kidneys to a young White Sox fan after seeing the story on television. Who is he?

First to email Justin the correct answer wins! jpeterson@tbkbank.com



Welcome back, Rotary baseball fans. We may be late in this inaugural World Series of Giving season, but have some of our clubs ever brought out their strongest hitters! We now have two clubs with over FIVE Home Runs scored and one more knocking on the door for number FOUR. Who would have guessed last summer at the beginning of the season that we would see this kind of generosity for the good deeds of the Rotary Foundation. And...we still have one more inning to go!

Northeast Division – What more can be said about the Pecatonica club with over 7 Home Runs at the end of this eighth inning, except...are they going to break 8? Loves Park and Sycamore follow with 2 Home Runs plus a Triple and a Double, respectively; they have a ways to go with just one more inning to close the gap. But as we've seen over and over again this season, don't count any club out until the final inning is in the books!

Mid-Central Division – In the MC division, we have a new leader with Byron at 2 Home Runs and Single, closely followed by Dixon with 2 Homers of their own. Rochelle remains in the thick of it with a Home plus a Triple. And hot on their heels is Oregon with a Homer plus a Double. The lead keeps changing every inning in this division; who knows which team will bring out that big bat to push that club to victory in inning #9. Stay tuned, this division is far too close to call!

South-Central Division – In the SC Division, Ottawa Sunrise is still in the lead after 8 innings with 2 Home Runs. But watch out, Illinois Valley is right on their heels with 2 Homers of their own; the difference between the clubs is only \$17 per capita in giving. Don't count out Putnam County or LaSalle with a Homer plus a Single each; they're well within striking distance. And not that much farther back with a Homer is the Plano club. We have one to go; this division is still wide open!

West-Central Division – The River Cities club is making it tough on the others in the WC Division, extending their lead now with 3 Homers plus a Single. Princeton follows with 2 Homers and a Single, and Geneseo is right behind with a Home Run plus a Triple. Will another of the West-Central teams bring out the big bats in the final inning; stay tuned, it's still anyone's title to win!

Western Division – As has happened so often this baseball season, a team has come out of nowhere in a division to take the lead, and in the Western Division in inning #8, it's the Moline club now with 5 Home Runs. Rock Island is within inches of 2 Homers, and the Quad Cities and Freeport clubs within inches of a Homer plus a Triple. And yet with this kind of action in these late innings, no one can say with any certainty that this division championship is anywhere close to being settled, so keep watching and cheer on your favorite in inning #9!

This championship series has been exciting to watch during Spring Training and the eight innings played so far. Again, who would have guessed that we would see this level of friendly competition among neighboring clubs in District 6420. And the best part; it's far from over yet! Who knows what big guns lie in waiting for inning #9, stay tuned!

YOU ARE INVITED!

Several years ago, our Club made a \$10,000 donation to help establish the Entrepreneur Incubator program at Rock Island High School. Officially known as INCubatoredu, the program is a full-year course offering an authentic entrepreneurship experience as students develop their own product or service startup. Problem-Solution Identification skill are learned as student teams explore, pivot, iterate and develop resilience as they work to solve problems they care about. Customer and Idea Exploration occurs as real entrepreneurs and industry experts serve as volunteer coaches and mentors guiding student teams through the process of idea validation. Poise, marketing, and communication skill are gained as the student pitch for real funding. Student teams pitch to gain investment funds in a final shark-tank style pitch event. Each year we invite the program's director as a p speaker for our club to keep us up to date on the program and the various projects the kids are developing. Several of our Club members have volunteered and act as mentors, coaches, and judges. Near the end of each school year the student teams present their ideas in a "Shark Tank" type setting to local business leaders and potential investors. All the teams present their ideas at an "Academic Pitch" presentation. They are judged and the top several teams are invited to make a final pitch to investors. They are again judged, and various awards are presented. Some of our program's best teams have been invited to compete nationally against Incubator teams from all over the nation. A few years back our Rocky team won the **National Championship**, earning team members a substantial cash award for use in developing their business and/or to further their education.

Your Invitation

This year the **INCubator Academic Pitch** presentation will be, Wednesday, May 11, at 9am, at the Rock Island High School Little Theatre. (North side of the building)

The **INCubator Final Pitch** will be held in the High School Auditorium on May 17. All Rotary members and families are invited to attend either or both presentations.

Pictured is Rocky's National Champion Incubator Team along with our program director Patricia Matson and a National Incubatoredu official.



APRIL BIRTHDAY BOOKS A SUCCESSFUL PARTY!

Led by project Chair, Molly Shattuck, a group of seven Rotarians met at Earl Hanson Elementary School on April 29th and presented books to children with April Birthdays. Molly started the party by talking a bit about Rotary and leading the students and Rotarians in a rousing chorus of "Happy Birthday". The children were called up by age and allowed to select a book as their birthday present from Rotary. Rotarians then added a personal birthday wish and autograph to the book. Before adjourning, all were treated to a selection of freshly baked cookies! Next month we will need a large turnout of Rotarians as we will be celebrating students with birthdays in May, June, and July!



DISTRICT CONFERENCE PHOTO ALBUM



Ten Rock Island Rotary members attended the opening night session, cocktail party, dinner, and ice cream social. Seated L to R: Gary Rowe, John Wetzel, and Ruth Lee. Standing L to R: Kathy Trone, Cindi Gramenz, Sue Rector, Kim Calhoun, Bud Phillis, Bob Swanson, and Anne McGlynn. Gary, Ruth, Cindi, Sue, and Kim sold Wine Raffle Tickets during the course of the first two days! For a time, Ruth donned her Wine Bottle costume and went from table to table in the dining room. Who could resist that! To heighten interest, Ruth donated 2 bottles of Nimble Vineyard's NOBIS CABERNET SAUVIGNON for a free ticket raffle. It worked! We sold all remaining 44 tickets and are sold out!



Saturday night's lucky winner of the \$50 Nobis Cabernet Sauvignon was Marcia Wetzel, wife of our own John Wetzel. Thanks, in particular to Ruth, Gary, Sue and Cindi who spent many hours staffing our table. Bud and Bob brought the Water Filter a PowerPoint explaining how it works, and photos of them in use in Kenya. Sue brought a sample of our "Keep Them Engaged" packets and framed lists of all our projects. We also had color photos of our Little Libraries.



Women have only 2 problems.
1. Nothing to wear.
2. No room for all their clothes.

I'm thinking of taking the wine box back to complain. It said once opened it would last 6 weeks, it only lasted me 3 hours

FINALLY FIGURED OUT WHY I LOOK SO BAD IN PICTURES.
IT'S MY FACE

Happy Birthday! May Rotarians

Brett Hitchcock	May	2
Ruth Lee	May	6
Beth Kauzlarich	May	5
Angela Campbell	May	9
Kimberly Calhoun	May	11
Cindi Gramenz	May	24
Eric Westphall	May	28

happy birthday



ROTARY PALS CONTINUE BASEBALL RIVALRY



To say Bud Phillis is a CUBS FAN and Frank Lambert is a CARDINALS FAN would be an understatement. They are each the epitome of DIEHARD FANS! But they are also good friends, and the rivalry is a friendly one and one that benefits many. During the Baseball season they have an interesting bet. Whichever team has the better record each month, their support makes a Five Dollar Donation to our Club's Rotary Foundation. You heard right; the "winner" pays. At the end of the season the team Cubs or Cardinals that raised the most money for our Foundation is lauded as Champion. Bud and Frank invite any other Cubs and Cardinal Fans to join the challenge!



Rotarians Prepare Craft Packs

In a step prior to putting together our Literacy Committee's "Keep Them Engaged" project packs over a dozen members stayed after today's meeting and formed an assembly line putting together packets of craft supplies that will be one element of the final packs which we will assemble after next week's meeting. Everything from construction paper to felt, stickers to pipe cleaners, and popsicle sticks to google eyes had been donated by Rotarians and went into the craft packs. In total, about 300 craft bags were put together in a little of 45 minutes. Thanks to all who donated both craft items and cash to purchase items, to chair Sue Rector who has been storing all the supplies, and to the members who helped in today's assembly of the craft goods. Next week we need everyone's help in putting together the final packs for delivery to the children at Earl Hanson School.



The Illinois High School Association has asked us, along with other community organizations, to help spread this message. We are in dire need of officials in all sports. Almost every weekend there is a baseball game in the area that is cancelled or played without umpires due to the lack of people working games. If you or someone you know might consider becoming a game official, you are invited to an informational meeting in Sterling, Illinois. See the flier below and check out the link for a short video on YouTube.



Officiating 101

You've likely heard about the officials shortage.

Maybe you've thought about becoming an IHSA official, but you don't know where to start.

Our schools need sports-minded people to help students enjoy positive athletic experiences.

Officiating 101 is a FREE introduction to officiating.

Sterling High School Monday, May 9

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Library

Enter Door #2

1608 4th Avenue

There is no advanced registration. Simply show up to learn how you can become an official.

The IHSA licenses officials in 16 sports. If you are interested, we have the sport(s) for you!

Discussion topics

- Why people enjoy officiating
 - IHSA licensing process
 - Apparel and equipment
 - How to schedule games
- Game fees and financial aspects

[Officiating 101 video](#)

Please contact Sam Knox at the IHSA office with questions.

sknox@ihsa.org

309-663-6377

Don't forget Birdies for Charity

If you donate using the Rock Island Rotary Code "937" your entire donation PLUS a Deere Foundation 5% or more match, will go to our **Rock Island Rotary Club Foundation**

OFFICIAL PLEDGE FORM

CHARITY SOLICITED FOR

BIRD NUMBER

I pledge and promise to donate:

☐ \$_____ one-time flat donation.

Please attach payment. **Make checks payable to Quad Cities Golf Classic Charitable Foundation.**

☐ \$_____

extra donation to the Birdies for Charity Bonus Fund

Donations to the BFC Bonus Fund (#1041) help provide the minimum of 5% match for all participating charities.

GUESS THE BIRDIES & WIN A TWO YEAR LEASE ON A 2022 LEXUS RX350!

I guess that _____ birdies will be made.

Only 1 grand prize will be awarded. Void where prohibited by law.

BIRDIES SCORED (YEAR)

2,142 (2013)	1,982 (2016)	2,091 (2019)
2,040 (2014)	1,918 (2017)	N/A (2020)
1,990 (2015)	2,355 (2018)	1,905 (2021)

PLEDGE INFORMATION (Please print)

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

ROCK ISLAND ROTARY

ZIP

937

PHONE OR EMAIL

Chip in for your chance to win

When you chip in to help area charities, you could win! But your favorite charity will be the *real* winner. That's because participating charities receive **100% of the donations** pledged to them in this program, plus a bonus from the Birdies for Charity Bonus Fund which is a **guaranteed 5% match**.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

Simply make a one-time flat donation and mail with payment to the Birdies for Charity office at 15623 Coaltown Rd., East Moline, IL 61244.

To enter the contest, guess the number of birdies that will actually be made by PGA Tour Pros during the tournament, Wednesday through Sunday. A grand prize will be given to one person who guesses the correct number. In case of ties, winners will be randomly selected.

KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS AS YOUR RECEIPT

I pledge \$_____ one-time donation

I guessed _____ birdies would be made

Payment was included with pledge

☐ YES \$_____ ☐ NO

☐ CASH ☐ CHECK NO. _____

Please make checks payable to

QUAD CITIES GOLF CLASSIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



GRAND PRIZE:

2 YEAR LEASE ON A 2022 LEXUS RX350



One lucky supporter of the John Deere Classic's Birdies for Charity program will win a 2 year lease on a 2022 Lexus RX350, courtesy of Smart Lexus of the Quad Cities. Other prizes awarded by random drawing.

CONTEST RULES

- Only 1 grand prize awarded. Ties and other prizes determined by random drawing.
- All guesses must be on an official pledge card and received at the tournament office by **June 10, 2022**.
- Rules are available at www.birdiesforcharity.com.
- No pledge or purchase required. Need not be present to win.
- Pledges submitted after the JDC may be applied the following year.

NEW CLUB ROSTER/DIRECTORY BEING PREPARED



All members received an email today requesting you to review the information we have for you prior to our submitting it to the printer for the new Club Directory. We sent you what we have along with the picture we have on file for you. If information is missing or incorrect, please by return email give us the needed correction. If you are not happy with your photo, you may email a new photo of your choice. Please make sure everything is accurate. If you are satisfied with what we have, just send a return email stating everything is "OKAY"! Thanks for your help!