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WEEKLY REVIEW

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Rotary Club of Rock Island

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WEATHER WINS THE DAY!



Jan – Feb Calendar

- Jan 16 - Augustana 4 Guys Barbership Quartet
- Jan 23 - Amber Wood – SAL Community Services
- Jan 30 - Ashleigh Davis, Marketing & PR Mgr and Joseph Goetz, Operations Mgr. Quad City International Airport
- Feb 6 - Doug Tschopp, Genesis Guild
- Feb 13 - Heather Hartley – Deere's Construction & Forestry Division
- Feb 20 - Tšooane Molapo, native of Lesotho - "The Kingdom in the Sky"
- Feb 27 - Shelley Cooper – Musical Theater

With up to 12 inches of snow forecasted for today, our Club decided to err on the side of safety and cancelled today's Rock Island Rotary Club meeting. Although things looked "not too bad" at mid-morning, the ominous prediction for continued snow accumulation led to the QC Botanic Center opting to close for both today and tomorrow. We know many of our members will be outside working to clear drives, porches, and sidewalks and urge caution. Nothing is more important than your safety and health. Take it slow, take it easy, and at the first sign of suffering adverse impact from the cold or heavy work STOP. If need be, trade your good health for a few bucks to have your snow removed by people with the proper equipment. **Signs and symptoms of frostbite** include: at first, cold skin and a prickling feeling. Numbness. Skin that looks red, white, bluish-white, grayish-yellow, purplish, brown, or ashen, depending on the severity of the condition and usual skin color. Hard or waxy-looking skin. Clumsiness due to joint and muscle stiffness. **Heart Warnings:** Chest pain that may feel like pressure, tightness, pain, squeezing or aching. Pain or discomfort that spreads to the shoulder, arm, back, neck, jaw, teeth or sometimes the upper belly. Cold sweat. Fatigue. Heartburn or indigestion, Lightheadedness or sudden dizziness. Nausea. Shortness of breath.

We're not looking to scare anyone, but just want to make it clear that YOU are important to us, your family, and our community. Don't take risks with such a valuable asset! We look forward to seeing everyone next Tuesday at our regular time and location. If you're unable to attend in person, please don't forget that all our meetings are available via ZOOM allowing you to join us from the warmth and comfort of your home or office. STAY SAFE, BE SMART, AND BE WITH US NEXT WEEK!

*Service Above
Self*



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Program Chair 2023-24

Rebecca Arnold

Presenters

July: Tom Hammar
August: Kai Swanson
September: Rebecca Arnold
October: Holly Sparkman
November: Rebecca Arnold
December: Bob Swanson
January: John Wetzel
February: Kai Swanson
March: Angela Campbell
April: Gary Rowe
May: Gary Rowe
June: Tom Hammar

Club Notes & Announcements!

- **NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM** – We are in for a real treat next Tuesday when four young men from Augustana College will be on hand to entertain us with good old fashioned Barbershop Quarter singing and humor. Better yet, three of the four are former Rocky Chamber Choir singers and members of the Rocky Interact Club! This is one you won't want to miss.
- **UNCOVERING GLITCHES** – Every member should be receiving our weekly newsletter along with weekly meeting reminders. If not, it means we are missing or have an incorrect email in our distribution system. Unfortunately, we have no way of knowing that until someone lets us know they aren't receiving our communications. That in itself is complicated since they may not realize they are missing things. You can help by checking with fellow members. Just ask if they are receiving the newsletter and weekly meeting alerts with our ZOOM information. If anyone says they are not getting them, Either notify me or ask them to send an email letting me know to add or update their current email address. My email is bobdebswanson@att.net. Thanks!
- **HAVE AN IDEA** – For an entertaining or informative program for our meetings? We are always on the lookout for quality programs. Send your idea or suggestion to Program Chairman Rebecca Arnold. We stay away from politics but love programs that brighten our day, help us in our business or careers, or keep us informed of important things in our community. Rebecca's email is arnold.rebecca@rigov.org.
- **BE THINKING** – It won't be long before incoming president Sue Rector will be asking each of us to select two or more club committees to serve on for 2024-25. Check pages 35-38 in your current Club Director for a list of our club committees. A great way to get a feel for what you might enjoy is to volunteer to sit in with this year's committee. New people are always very welcome. You can see what goes on, what is expected, and decide if you think the committee is a good fit for you. If you've already missed the committee's primary activity, talk to someone who served on the committee to find out if it sounds like something you would enjoy or could help with your talents, experience, and enthusiasm.
- **HAVE ITEMS FOR OUR NEWSLETTER?** Send to bobdebswanson@att.net. The newsletter goes out each Tuesday afternoon so be sure to get your request to bobdebswanson@att.net by Tuesday noon. Photos are welcome!

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The Four-Way Test

(of the things we Think, Say or Do)

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

JANUARY ROTARIAN BIRTHDAYS

Jeremy Richard	January	1
Randy Hurt	January	2
Trista Foster	January	12
Jeff Rose	January	21
Miranda Marshall	January	22
Bob Swanson	January	25
Mariah Johnson	January	28
Jim Moran	January	31

CALL FOR WINE & OLD ROTARY MAGAZINES!

Prior to his death, for many years long time member Lo Milani donated a bottle of wine each week for our Foundation Raffle. After his death other members wishing to keep the Lo's tradition alive began donating wine, and as you know each week a bottle of wine continues to be one of our raffle prizes. Unfortunately, our wine supply is at the bottom of the barrel! If you can donate a bottle or two (or more) it would be greatly appreciated and will allow us to keep wine in our weekly raffle. Please let Bob Swanson know if you can and will bring wine we can store a small supply in our supply cabinet.



Secondly, we like to include a past issue of the Rotarian Magazines in the packets we give to the speakers at our meetings. If you have past issues, please black out your name and address and bring them to Sue Rector at any Rotary meeting. You might just help recruit a new member!

MEMBER STATUS - APPLICATION

We have received word that Char Flickinger is no longer with the Rock Island Economic Development Corporation and has relocated outside the area. We wish her well in her new position. Char was an individual active member with dues paid by the Development Corporation. They have requested that their membership be converted to a Corporate Membership with the following changes. Remove Char as their representative and in her place add the following:



James Jones

James Jones, RI Economic Development Corp. Housing Manager, be named the Active Member representing the Development Corporation and that **Frank Perez**, Financial Education Coordinator and loan officer for the Development Corporation's affiliated organization, Bridge Investment Community Development Corp., be an Associate Member for the Rock Island Development Corporation. They are aware that they may propose up to two more associate members in the future.

Please direct comments to President Cindi Gramenz at cgramenz15@gmail.com



Frank Perez

Help End Hunger With This Year's District-Wide Service Project!

For January, we are collecting food items for Project NOW Head Start!

Food items needed:

- Spaghetti noodles
- Cereal: Honey Nut Cheerios, Kix, or Rice Krispies
- Fruit and applesauce cups

Your monthly donation should equal approximately 5 lbs. Please bring to any Tuesday meeting in January and Project Chair Danielle Scott will help manage the delivery of those items. If you need assistance or special arrangements or have any questions, please contact Danielle Scott dmscott81@gmail.com or Cindi Gramenz cgramenz15@gmail.com.

BLOOD DRIVE

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Rock Island Rotary

Tuesday, February 13

10:30 am - 1:00 pm

QC Botanical Center Olmstead Room

2525 Fourth Ave

To schedule an appointment call John Phillips at (309) 428-5495 or scan the QR code below.

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED. WALK-INS WELCOME. Masks are optional.

Bring photo ID. Please eat before donation.



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