



THE GREEN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA — Club 3238



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CLUB PRESIDENT
Brad Stegall



IN-PERSON MEETING: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021 @ 12:00 PM

MEETING AT THE WAREHOUSE

**Anna Werner, CBS Morning Show Reporter
Restrictions COVID-19 has put on Getting a Story**



Eric Miller & Ryan Harms, Tri-County Regional Planning Commission Planning Update: Regional Trails & Greenways

Even if you don't ride a bicycle (and maybe you should) there's a reason why you should encourage the creation of biking and hiking trails. Those trails might be important to the people you sell your house to. Eric Miller and Ryan Harms of the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission spoke to Peoria Rotarians about the importance of "active transportation". They say such trails are incredibly vital to the community where they are located, but often overlooked.



Local planners have been working for more than two decades on biking and hiking trails. The Peoria area is locally famous for the Rock Island Trail which connects Toulon to Peoria. In 2017, the [BikeConnect HOI](#) report was delivered by planners looking for more inclusion of cycling into local transportation systems. That plan received the 2019 Healthy Active Community Award from the Illinois Chapter of the American Planning Commission.



There's more to come in the future. The proposed Hanna City Trail would connect four communities in Peoria and Fulton Counties. Two million dollars has been set aside to purchase the right of way from the Union Pacific Railroad. Meanwhile,

Peoria's McClugage Bridge Project - started in the Spring of 2019. The eastbound bridge will be removed and replaced with a new structure to meet the region's transportation needs. The new bridge will include bicycle and pedestrian access and is expected to be completed in 2023. In addition, there are over ten applicants locally for some of the 105 million dollars set aside for walking, biking and trail projects in Illinois.



Aerial View of Proposed Bridge

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Rotary Club of Peoria In-Person Meeting

This week's meeting will be held at [THE WAREHOUSE ON STATE](#) 736 SW Washington St Peoria, IL 61602. - The doors will open at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting will begin at Noon. For members who are not able or who prefer to not attend in-person, we will still be offering the meeting via Zoom. A link to the Zoom meeting will be in the Green Light and RSVP for the In-Person Meeting.

To keep all our members safe, we are asking you to please adhere to the following guidelines for In-Person Meetings:

- ◆ Please wear a mask at all times - with the exception of eating.
- ◆ Please maintain social distancing guidelines of 6 feet between you and others.
- ◆ Please do not come to the meeting if you are not feeling well or have any symptoms such as: fever, cough, difficulty breathing or nausea.

Can't make it to the In-Person Meeting?

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM](#)

Meeting ID:

897 6608 1791

Dial by your location

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rotary Club of Peoria In-Person Meeting Schedule

♥ February 2021 ♥

February 12th - Meeting at the Warehouse

Anna Werner, CBS Morning Show Reporter
Restrictions COVID-19 has put on Getting a Story

Door Prize: **Pat Lewis** | Invocation: **Pat Lewis** | Greeter: **Randy Neff**

February 19th - Meeting at the Warehouse

Angela Weck, Executive Director, Peoria Area World Affairs Council
Peoria and the World: Why it's Important to Know Your World

Door Prize: **Jason Parkinson** | Invocation: **John Iverson** | Greeter: **Steve Driscoll**

February 26th - Meeting at the Warehouse

Jack Friedrich, Digital Marketing & Design Director
Louisville Slugger Sports Complex, Updates and Plans

Door Prize: **Jodi Tarter** | Invocation: **Randy Neff** | Greeter: **Jodi Tarter**

happy
Valentine's
Day
2021



ANNOUNCEMENTS

2021 Community Service Grants Application ~ Now Available!

The 2021 Community Service Grant Applications are now available. To access the application please click this link: [2021 Community Service Grant Application](#)

Applications are due on or before **February 12, 2021**. Please pass the information along to local not-for-profit organizations that might benefit from a grant!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

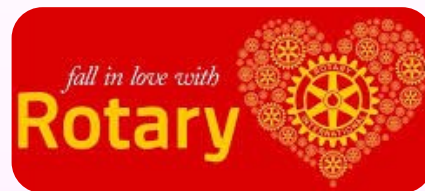


Donations Needed for Trewyn Pantry - We are collecting food items such as: Peanut or almond butter, dried goods such as Oatmeal, Cereal, Rice, Pasta, Ramen Noodles, Granola Bars and Hormel Completes. Melissa can come and pick up items from you, please call **676-5432** or email to arrange a time (infodowntown@peoriarotary.org)
If you would like to donate money, we will buy non-perishables on your behalf!





Happy Valentine's Day



So You Thought You Knew What Janet Banz-Glavin is cooking for Valentine's Day! (In 200 words or less!) by Edith Barnard

Renaissance lady Janet Banz Glavin is a specialist in many areas. She is a singer, a band member, a mom, a wife, a daughter, a fan of cats, an organizer of community events, an intellect, and..... a cook! (just to name a few of her many talents!) Below she shares a glimpse of what she will be cooking for Valentine's Day!

"What are your favorite Valentine's food traditions? I enjoy cooking for my friends and family, especially for holidays and special occasions. Valentine's Day mocha brownie hearts are a tradition that I've enjoyed making for a number of years and I package them up nicely. Other years I've made chocolate covered strawberries and wine gummy hearts.



With Valentine's Day on a Sunday this year and limited service options due to the pandemic, we are not sure if we will find a restaurant that does carry out or if we will prepare a meal at home.

If I'm cooking, I'd make sure to have Dennis' favorite home cooked menu: oven roasted chicken with baked potato wedges served with a side of horseradish and chive sour cream and cheesecake for dessert paired with a red wine. Dennis says he would make me one of his specials that I like, either fettucine alfredo or lasagna followed by some sort of decadent chocolate."

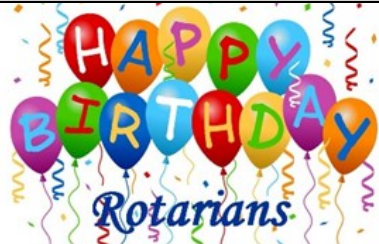


MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

February Rotarian Anniversaries

Member Name	Years of Service
Bash, Patti	1
Bash, Steve	30
Bender, Ted	1
Gambill, Blair	22
Ghareeb, George	13
Greer, Charlie	1
Hartshorn, Donald	28
Johnson, Pamela	12
Kelly, John	25
Kelly, Joe	43
McCord, Scott	5
Mohlenbrink, Travis	1
Oakford, Art	59
Stuber, Fred	33

**Congratulations and thanks
for being part of Rotary!**



Gambill, Blair	24 Feb
Iverson, John	03 Feb
Lewis, Pat	17 Feb
Miller, Nate	10 Feb
Neff, Randy	18 Feb
Parkinson, Jason	20 Feb
Robertson, Robbie	27 Feb
Tarter, Jodi	03 Feb
White, Curt	01 Feb
Wiegand, Andrea	15 Feb



CONGRATULATIONS



Look at how much fun we had at last week's virtual meeting



Rotary Club of Peoria, President Brad Stegall and Rotary District Governor Maura Donnelly, who spoke to the club at last Friday's meeting.

Club Officers

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 President-Elect - Janet Bantz Glavin
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