

THE GREEN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA — Club 3238

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Lonnie Stewart's Studio Tour and Project Updates

Peoria-based and internationally renowned sculptor Lonnie Stewart gave Peoria Rotarians a rare look inside his East Peoria studio last Friday. The visit to Stewart's enclave off Grosenbach Road was conducted on Zoom with Peoria Riverfront Museum Director John Morris interviewing Stewart on site.

Raised in Knox County, Illinois, Lonnie Stewart (Galesburg High School, Class of '64) has traveled the



world painting and sculpting for much of five decades. His work includes sculptures of Mother Theresa, Ronald Reagan, and Diana, Princess of Wales.

In 1990, Stewart met with Pope Paul II to do his portrait. Locally, you can see Stewart's work at the Peoria Riverfront Museum: a giant "Sister-City beer stein". In Galesburg, there's a large bronze statue of native son Carl Sandberg.

Coming soon, Peoria Heights will have Stewart's newest work of art an 18-foot statue of Teddy Roosevelt on horseback, to be erected at a location to commemorate Roosevelt's 1910 visit to the area. The statue was donated to the Village of Peoria Heights by Peoria Developer, Kim Blickenstaff. Want to learn more about Lonnie Stewart?

Click here to watch WTVP's "Interesting People" Episode #405 featuring Lonnie Stewart.



Member Announcements



Upcoming Meetings

July 9th - Meeting at the Warehouse

Speaker: Rebecca Schulman, Director of Peoria Children's Playhouse

Topic: How's the Playhouse Playing?

Invocation: Colleen Halberg | Greeter(s): Fred Stuber

Door Prize: Richard Zuckerman

July 16th - Meeting at the Warehouse

Speaker: Ryan LaCosse, Director Area Best Buddies

Topic: Why Inclusion Matters

Invocation: Owen Ackerman | Greeter(s): Ray Lees

Door Prize: Pam Johnson

July 23rd - Meeting at the Warehouse

Speaker: Roberta English, Executive Director, CEO, Wildlife Prairie Park

Topic: Wildlife Prairie Park Update

Invocation: Mike Kelley | Greeter(s): Tony Beiermann

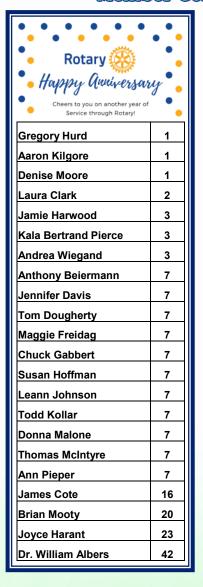
Door Prize: Tony Beiermann

July 30th - Meeting at the Warehouse

Speaker: East Peoria Mayor John Kahl
Topic: East Peoria Levee District Development
Invocation: Chuck Gabbert | Greeter(s): Gina Driscoll

Door Prize: Gina Driscoll

Member Celebrations







Club Announcement

We're excited to have you join us at our Weekly Club Meetings!!!

With all Covid restrictions now lifted, things are slowly getting back to normal!

The Club is no longer asking members to RSVP for weekly meetings. With that being said, we are going back to the quick check-in process we used pre-Covid-19.

On the badge board, behind your badge you will find an attendance ticket.

Senior Members and Guests attending the meeting, please stop by the check-in table to receive an attendance ticket.

Please take this ticket with you up to the buffet line. There will be a box located at the beginning of the line to drop the attendance tickets into.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this past year.

Club Social

<u>Date:: July 24th</u> <u>Time: 10am - 3pm</u> <u>Location: Gabbert's Lake</u>

Join us for a fun day at Gabbert's Lake Enjoy fishing, swimming, & cooking out.

Members are encouraged to bring friends, family members and prospective members.

If you would like to attend, please email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org to be added to the RSVP list. There will also be a sign-up sheet at Friday's meeting.

Upcoming Service Projects

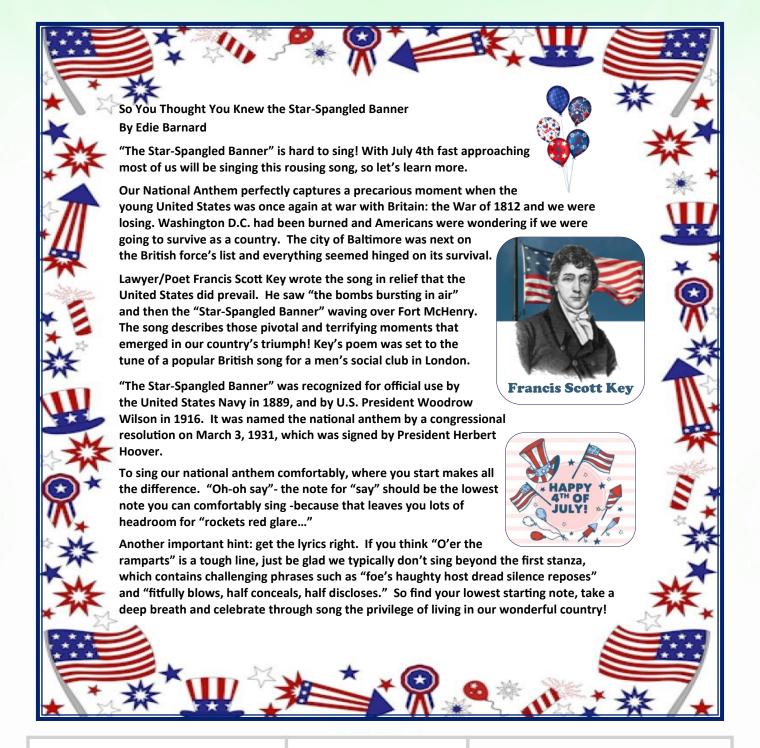
- Build A Ramp * DATE CHANGE *

Date: Sat, July19th
Location: TBD | Time: TBD

Details: Build a ramp for someone in need.

If you would like to help out with this project, please email the office at infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

to be added to the volunteer sign-up list.
A sign-up sheet will also be available at
Friday's meeting.



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