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# THE GREEN LIGHT

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**Weekly Meeting at Peoria Riverfront Museum**  
**Friday, January 19, 2024 at 12:00PM**  
**Speaker: Emily Cahill - Director, Peoria Park District**  
**Topic: Updates on the New Golf Facility**

Can't make it to the In-Person Meeting? [CLICK HERE TO JOIN VIA ZOOM](#)  
Meeting ID: 897 6608 1791 Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799



We hope you will maximize your membership by taking advantage of our online member portal, DACdb. This is more than an online directory it's an interactive tool to help you engage with our Club.

Through DACdb, you can edit your profile, search for members, register for events, and much more!

## Navigating DACdb -- Quick Start Guide



### Let's Get You That Cheat Sheet!

When you're logged into DACdb, click on the "Support / Learning" tab at the top of the window and then in the left side menu click on "Overview" and select "[DACdb UI Quickstart Guide](#)" and you can download a PDF file that will get you started with where things are in DACdb. This is a great tool for less experienced users.

Please let us know if you have any questions.






Remember Me:  DO NOT check this on public systems (e.g., libraries, internet cafes)




**If you need further assistance, please contact the office by email [infodowntown@peoriarotary.org](mailto:infodowntown@peoriarotary.org) or call 309-676-5432**

## 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?



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## ROTARY ACTION PLAN - VISION

**"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves"**

Rotary Club of Peoria 2023-2024



## In Memoriam



It is with regret that we announce the passing of Sara Avalyn Berry Swain, wife of long-time Peoria Rotarian, Tim Swain.

Visitation is tomorrow, January 17th, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am followed by a service. The visitation and service will be held at [Wilton Mortuary in Peoria](#).

To read the Obituary online visit [The Wilton Mortuary](#).

## Upcoming Meetings

**JANUARY 26th - Meeting at The Warehouse on State**  
Speaker: **Jennifer Zammuto - Heart of Illinois United Way**

Topic: **Community Assessment**

Greeter: **Melissa Entzminger**

Inspiration/Reflection: **Tom Hunt**

Attendance Prize: **Austin Locke**

**FEBRUARY 2nd - Meeting at The Warehouse on State**  
Speaker: **Chris Zak-Edmonds**

Topic: **"Why I Like Living in Peoria"**

Greeter: **Melissa Entzminger**

Inspiration/Reflection: **Tom Hunt**

Attendance Prize: **Austin Locke**

**FEBRUARY 9th - Meeting at Peoria Riverfront Museum**

Speaker: **Ben Blumenberg - W. D. Boyce Council of the Boy Scouts**

Topic: **Boy Scouts Update**

Greeter: **TBD**

Inspiration/Reflection: **Pat Lewis**

Attendance Prize: **TBD**

## Community Service Grants Announcement

### 2024 Community Service Grant Applications ~ Available Now ~

To be considered for a grant from the Rotary Club of Peoria, please complete the [2024 Community Service Grant Application](#) and forward it as a PDF to: [infodowntown@peoriarotary.org](mailto:infodowntown@peoriarotary.org)

Applications are due on or before **January 26, 2024**

Please pass the information along to local not-for-profit organizations that might benefit from a grant!

## Join the Rotary Club of Peoria

We welcome you to join us at an upcoming Rotary Club of Peoria meeting to see what it's all about.

To learn more about The Rotary Club of Peoria and becoming a member, click the [Rotary Membership Image](#)

If you have any questions email [infodowntown@peoriarotary.org](mailto:infodowntown@peoriarotary.org)



## Rotary Club T-Shirts

THE NEW ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA T-SHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$15.00! WE HAVE SEVERAL DIFFERENT SIZES - IF YOU DON'T HAVE A ROTARY T-SHIRT - STOP BY THE CHECK-IN TABLE AND PICK ONE UP.



## Every Rotarian Every Year

### EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR

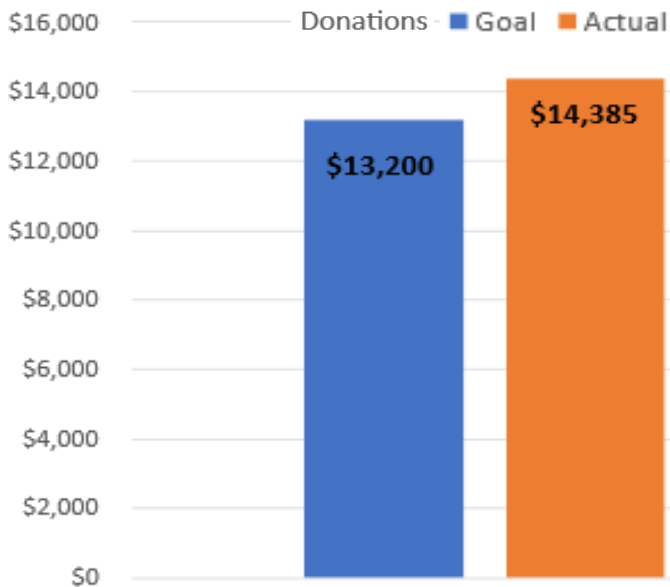
Did you know that donors who gave \$25-\$50 contributed more than \$5.1 million to the Foundation in 2020-21? When every Rotarian gives every year, it makes life-changing, sustainable projects possible.

Also in 2020-21:

- \$139 million was given to the Annual Fund.
- 34% of Rotarians donated to the Annual Fund.
- 82% of Rotary clubs supported the Annual Fund.
- 2,066 global grants were awarded.



### Every Rotarian Every Year Goals



## Polio Plus Society

JOIN THE POLIO PLUS SOCIETY TODAY!

BY JOINING YOU ARE COMMITTING TO GIVE A MINIMUM OF \$100 A YEAR UNTIL POLIO IS ERADICATED



THANK YOU!

## Every Rotarian Every Year Fundraiser

As part of the Every Rotary Every Year Fundraiser, the committee has decided to offer the chance to win some prizes!

The Raffle tickets went on sale Dec 1st. And can still be purchased for \$25/ticket, and you can buy as many as you want. All of the prizes will be set up at each meeting - put your raffle tickets into the basket of the prizes you hope to win.

Winners will be announced on Feb 2nd. If you would like to purchase tickets for the raffle, please contact Emily Jacob-Rudesill ([emilyj@fosterjacob.com](mailto:emilyj@fosterjacob.com))

### Every Rotarian Every Year Prizes

1. Pottery Experience at Muse Studio: Lesson for two at the pottery wheel creating a piece to be glazed and fired. Accompanied with wine and charcuterie. Available in 2024 only. \$200 value. Donated and instructed by Katie Vandenberg.
2. Senara Pampering: \$100 gift card to Senara. Donated by Susie Stockman
3. Memory Blanket: Provide your favorite t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc. & Colleen will turn them into a memory blanket. Donated by Colleen Halberg
4. Mexican Feast: Chips and salsa ceramic bowl and \$50 gift card to Chili's. Donated by Debbie Sippel
5. Fashion Scarf: Cabi label scarf. \$70 value. Donated by Sara Meinhart
6. Door County Wisconsin Retreat: 4 day/3-night stay in Fish Creek, Door County condo. Two bedroom, 1.5 bath (bedrooms on second floor). Steps away from outdoor pool. Close to restaurants, shopping & state park.  
<https://www.juliesmotel.com/lodging/evergreen-hill-condos/>. \$800 value. Donated by Emily Jacob-Rudesill.
7. Day at the Herm Lake: Up to 12 attendees. Fishing, boating, swimming, picnic lunch. Donated by Martha Herm and Tom McIntyre
8. Olive Garden Feast: \$100 gift card to Olive Garden. Donated by Sue Portscher
9. Picnic Time: Wicker basket with place settings & a bottle of wine. Donated by Pam & Perry Johnson
10. Antique Butter Churn: Donated by Don Hartshorn
11. Rotary Special Brew Whiskey: Two bottles both \$100 value. We will draw two names, one for each bottle. Donated by Suzanne Ellerbrock of the Quincy Rotary Club.
12. Asian Dinner for Six: Four course dinner at the Herm/McIntyre home.
13. Car Washes: \$50 gift card to car washes owned by Maggie Freidag
14. Tito's Happy Hour Basket: One fifth Tito's & mixers. Donated by Gina Driscoll



## Volunteer Opportunity



**Easterseals Central IL is holding their Black and Blue Ball on Friday, February 2, 2024 - Starting at 5pm - Peoria Civic Center.**

**Several volunteers are needed to help with VIP Hosts, Booze Barrel Raffle, Coat Check, & Bremer Raffle**

**Dress code: Blue jeans and a black top is the attire. Please arrive half an hour before your scheduled shift. (Volunteers are invited to stay & enjoy the event after their shift concludes)**

**If you would like to learn more about this event, visit the Easterseals Central Illinois Website: [www.easterseals.com](http://www.easterseals.com) You can sign-up to volunteer by [clicking here](#)**

## Foundation Minute



### FOUNDATION MINUTE - VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH



**Rotary has designated January as Vocational Service Month. The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the second "Object of Rotary", which calls on Rotarians to encourage and foster:**

- **High Ethical Standards in business and professions**
- **The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations**
- **The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to service society**

**This month, clubs are encouraged to provide opportunities for members to talk about their professions at their clubs and to learn about fellow members' occupations; use member skills and expertise to serve their communities; help young people to achieve career goals; provide guidance and encouragement to others in their professional development; and to practice their professions with integrity while inspiring others to behave ethically through words and actions.**

**Bring Vocational Service to life by undertaking these activities. Vocational service is the essence of Rotary and serves as the foundation from which we serve our communities around the world.**

### Club Officers

President - Randy Neff  
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