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Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Friday, February 11, 2022 at 12:00 PM
Speakers: Jim Baldwin and Laura Evancho
Topic: Wheels O Time Museum

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

Jack Darin, Chapter Director - Sierra Club of IL

The Illinois General Assembly approved the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA) in September of last year. Proponents call it the most sweeping legislation passed in over a decade.

The Sierra Club's Jack Darin told Peoria Rotarians that under the bill, Illinois has some of the most significant clean energy and decarbonization commitments in the nation. A major component of the bill requires Illinois to be reliant on 100% renewable energy by 2050.



To do that, replacing coal-fired power plants, means spending billions of dollars to create thousands of jobs for communities formerly dependent on salaries from coal power plants which will be shut down. There's not enough space here to summarize the one-thousand-page bill.

Long time Springfield Observer Rich Miller summed it up this way in an article published in The Chicago Sun-Times.



CLICK HERE TO READ THE ARTICLE

A new day and a new way in the Illinois House

The Illinois House's approval of the climate/energy bill was a spectacular victory.
 By Rich Miller | Sep 10, 2021, 4:58pm CDT



Steam rises from the cooling towers at Exelon's Byron nuclear power plant in 2011. | Robert Ray, AP Wire

Upcoming Meetings

February 11th - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)

Speaker(s): **Laura Evancho and Jim Baldwin**

Topic: **Wheels O Time Museum**

Invocation: **Pat Lewis** | Greeter(s): **John Iverson**

Attendance Prize: **Pat Lewis**

February 18th - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)

Speaker: **Mayor Rita Ali**

Topic: **Report by Peoria's Mayor**

Invocation: **Randy Neff** | Greeter(s): **Jason Parkinson**

Attendance Prize: **Randy Neff**

If you plan to attend this Rotary meeting in person, we are asking members to RSVP. If you are bringing any guests please make sure to include this when filling out the RSVP form. Note this is not required to attend the meeting, but it will help the cater with planning and attendance. --> [CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)

We look forward to seeing you!!

February 25th - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)

Speaker: **Dr. Todd Ward, Ag Lab Director**

Topic: **What's New at The Peoria Ag Lab**

Invocation: **John Iverson** | Greeter(s): **Jason Parkinson**

Attendance Prize: **John Iverson**

March 4th - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)

Speaker(s): **Dr. Mary Stapel, OSF Community Care**

Topic: **Doctoring the Homeless in Peoria**

Invocation: **TBD** | Greeter(s): **TBD**

Attendance Prize: **TBD**

Meeting Location Reminder

Please remember the club is holding weekly meetings at the [First United Methodist Church](#).

Unless noted otherwise. For security reasons the Church doors will only be unlocked from 11:00am - 12:15pm.

For any members arriving after 12:15pm, please use the church intercom system and the receptionist will buzz you in.

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Volunteer Opportunities



Midwest
FOOD BANK
Illinois-Peoria
Midwest Food Bank of Illinois-Peoria

Midwest Food Bank is looking for volunteers to help label and/or package bulk food items so they can be readied for distribution to our food pantries.

Date: Thursday, February 24th, 2022

Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Location: 9005 N Industrial Rd, Peoria

If you would like to volunteer, please email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org to be added to list. A sign-up sheet will also be available at the weekly meeting.

New Membership Proposal

The following membership proposals have been approved by the Club Board of Directors and is published here for general membership consideration.

Marcellus Sommerville - CEO / President Peoria Friendship House of Christian Service

Sponsored by: Art Oakford & Brad Stegall

Protests may be sent, in writing, to the President or Secretary within 7 days. If none are received, the proposals will be considered satisfactory.

Community Service Grants

2022 Community Service Grant Applications ~ Available Now!

To be considered for a grant from the Rotary Club of Peoria, please complete the [2022 Community Service Grant Application](#) and forward it as a PDF to: infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

Applications are due on or before **February 25th**

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



Rotary Readers Update

As of right now Peoria Public Schools has paused all volunteer visits until **February 11th**. Once all restrictions are lifted we hope to continue reading again. As soon as more information becomes available, we will send out another update. **Thanks to all for your commitment!!**
Maggie & Owen - Rotary Readers Co-chairs

Trewyn Food Pantry

Donations Needed for Trewyn Food 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](tel:676-5432) or email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org to arrange a time. If you would like to donate money, we will buy non-perishables on your behalf!



District 6460 Announcements

Rotary District 6460 - RLI Part I Training

Zoom sessions on Feb. 15th and 22nd from 5:30pm to 8:10pm to your membership. Attendance for this interactive session is limited to fifteen participants.

RLI Part I is the first of a series of three fast-paced, interactive courses offered to increase a Rotarians base of knowledge in Rotary and strengthen their volunteer leadership skills.

Experienced Rotary leaders within our District will serve as faculty members for this training.

If you would like to attend the **RLI Part I** Training Session, please email the office: infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

Rotary International Announcements

Rotary International Convention



Register to Attend www.riconvention.org
More Information www.houstonri2022.org

R Y L A

Rotary Youth Leadership Academy

RYLA 2022

When is it? April 22-24th

What is it? RYLA is Rotary International's premier training program for high school students, emphasizing leadership, citizenship as well as personal growth

Who can participate? High school sophomores

Where is it being held? In person at Lake Williamson, Carlinville, IL

Why attend? Exponentially grow student's leadership and community skills. Will get a chance to meet and network with other students. Become an amazing leader in the community!

The goal is to have two or more sophomores from each Rotary Club in District 6460 attend the RYLA weekend. We need your help to sponsor outstanding high school sophomores from the community to attend this event. Club members are encouraged to nominate high school sophomores they know would be interested in attending the RYLA academy this Spring. Please email the students information to infodowntown@peoriarotary.org so we can start the application process.

Youth Exchange Program



Be a Youth Exchange Host Family!

We are currently looking for 2-3 families that would be interested in hosting an inbound youth exchange student between the months of **August 2022 & July 2023**.

The student would live with the family for 3-5 months during that time period. A variety of family structures are perfect for being host families- small, big, with many children, or no children. Working families - retired families - We aim to reflect real-world families to students, and we know that real families come in all shapes and sizes. If you are interested in becoming a host family for our inbound student, please email

Amanda Gordon-Sandberg, (agordonsandberg@gmail.com) with questions/concerns!

Writers Needed

"Writers Sought for So You Thought You Knew" "Sought" by Edie Barnard

Rotarians, You are cordially invited to take over writing my Green Light column, "So You Thought You Knew!" As you know, I have been on hiatus since last June. Melissa has kindly been delving into my Archives and choosing articles to place in the Green Light. I love seeing which column she has chosen when the Green Light arrives. I plan to write an occasional column and look forward to reading the ones that our new columnist will write. What a joyous eight years I've had "Getting to know you" this way!!! Look forward to hearing from you. Please contact me at (309) 922-9058 or Edith@BarnardCommunications.com

Member How to Guide - Login to DACdb



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!

If you need further assistance, please contact Melissa by email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org or call 309-676-5432



District And Club Database

Login to DACdb

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Your account in DACdb is automatically created when you join our Club. You won't need to sign-up for DACdb, just sign-in!

1. To log in for the first time, your email address is your username and your RI member number is your password. Your member number is located in many of your RI communications, including your *Rotarian* magazine address label.

2. You will not need to enter your Club Number.
Can't remember your password? Click the blue "Forgot Password" link to reset.

Tip: Don't forget to bookmark the login page, check the "Remember Me" box, and check out our mobile version!

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