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CLUB NO. 76

Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Friday, March 03, 2023 at 12:00PM
Speaker: Dr. Aaron Buchko
Topic: Bradley Foster School of Business

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

Your Lives Matter Outreach Ministry

Reaching the Unreachable
Bringing Hope to the Hopeless

Peorian Ethel Pates was Peoria Rotary's speaker on Friday, and she brought a story of helping the people on Peoria's Southside with her "Your Lives Matter Outreach Ministry".

Ethel, and her husband James Meeks, who have been married 33 years, started their Outreach Ministries in 2017. As Ethel tells it on the Your Lives Matter Ministry website, she had succumbed to alcohol abuse when in 2015 she was struck down by a truck.



"This was the start of my return to sobriety. I came home to Peoria.

I was looking for what was missing out of my life, and even though I had family here I went to stay at the Dream Center Shelter".

Ethel's work with "Your Lives Matter" started with feeding the community -- especially the homeless population. Ethel and James produce meals for the hungry and offer hope and support for those they feed. With the help of family and friends, they continue their work, often combining their efforts with those of the people at House of Hope.



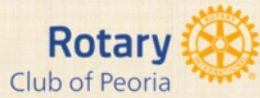
Ethel & James



Rotarian Dr. Abigail Larrison & Ethel Pates

Upcoming Meetings

Grants Committee Reminder



UPCOMING MEETING DATES



March 3rd - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Dr. Aaron Buchko
Topic: Bradley Foster School of Business
Greeters: Tim Swain & Kate Schureman
Invocation: Kate Schureman
Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

March 10th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Melissa Sierra
Topic: Peoria Playhouse Children's Museum
Greeters: Colleen Johnson & Sara Meinhart
Invocation: Joseph Milton
Attendance Prize: Donna Malone

March 17th - Meeting at Peoria Riverfront Museum
Speaker: John Morris
Topic: Peoria Riverfront Museum
Greeters: Joseph Milton & Kate Schureman
Invocation: Emily Jacob-Rudesill
Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

Reminder... Completed Rubrics for the 2023 Community Service Grants must be turned in by the March 7th due date. The Grants Committee will be meeting immediately after the March 10th club meeting.

Thank you all for your Service Above Self!!

Volunteer Opportunities



The Service Committee scheduled the Rotary Club of Peoria to volunteer at the Midwest Food Bank.

Several volunteers are needed to help label and/or package bulk food items so they can be readied for distribution to the food pantries.

Date: Wed, March 8th, 2023

Time: 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Location: [9005 N Industrial Rd, Peoria](#)
[Click Here to Sign up for this Opportunity](#)

You can also sign-up to volunteer for either date at the weekly meeting. A sign-up sheet will be available.

Upcoming Social Events

Rotary Club of Peoria - March Social Event

Date: Thursday, March 23rd | Time: 5PM – 8PM
Location: Industry Brewing - 8012 N Hale Ave - Peoria
SOCIALIZING & APPETIZERS (NO COST)
DRINKS – A CASH BAR WILL BE AVAILABLE
Cost to participate in Axe Throwing: \$15.00 Per Person

If you would like to attend the social, we are asking that you please RSVP by 03/19 to infodowntown@peoriarotary.org
You can submit RSVP's using the link in the **Green Light Newsletter** or using the sign-up sheet available at the weekly meetings.

International Service Committee Project

Rotary Club of Peoria Turkey & Syria ShelterBox Earthquake Relief

Rotary Club of Peoria is running a short fundraising campaign to raise \$5,000 to support earthquake relief work through Rotary's trusted partner ShelterBox to provide emergency relief supplies that will help sustain the many displaced by the devastating earthquake. Each ShelterBox costs approximately \$1,000 – so we are looking to provide five as a club. Thanks to your generosity, we're a little over halfway to our goal at \$2,780 raised. Peoria High School Students with Interact & Key Club are also looking to raise funds for ShelterBox.

To help the victims of the earthquake in Turkey & Syria: Checks can be given to either Melissa or Susie. Make checks out to either ShelterBox or The Rotary Foundation. Both are tax deductible. Only donations to The Rotary Foundation will earn points toward a Paul Harris Fellow & will help with relief efforts but not necessarily purchase a shelter box. Donations can also be mailed to the office: Rotary Club of Peoria - P.O. Box 5639 - Peoria, IL 61601

Read more about this work here: [Earthquake in Turkey & Syria - ShelterBox USA](#)

& [Rotary responds to earthquake that has devastated areas of Turkey & Syria](#)
[| Rotary International](#)

Questions to Janet Glavin, International Service Chair 2022-2023
jglavin@illinois.wish.org



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** & **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4 Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Rotary District 6460 Events

REGISTER NOW FOR SPRING TRAINING Rotary District 6460's Premier Annual Training for Rotarians



Spring Training starts for Presidents-elect on Friday, March 24 and on Saturday, existing and incoming club leaders along with Rotarians interested in learning more about Rotary join the presidents-elects for training tailored to cover everyone's interests. The Saturday program includes nineteen breakout sessions from which to choose.

Important Details

- Spring Training at the Student Union of the University of Illinois Springfield
- All Rotarians are welcome at Spring Training
- There is no cost to attend Spring Training other than your travel cost.
- Friday's president-elect lunch starts at 11:30 AM
- Doors open at 8:30 AM Saturday with the first session at 9:00 AM. Event concludes before 3:00 PM

Click [REGISTER NOW](#) to, you know, register your in-person or hybrid attendance.

Click [President-elect](#) to see the Friday and Saturday schedule or [Saturday](#) to see, the Saturday schedule.

[Click here for further details](#)

The Rotary Foundation District 6460 Scholarships

Scholarship Overview

- District 6460 offers scholarships through The Rotary Foundation Grants process
- The scholarship consists of \$3000 payable to a College, University or Approved Vocational School for Tuition and/or Books

Scholarship Application

The application process for Academic Year 2023-24 is now OPEN!

Application is available here: [District Scholarship Information and Application \(2023-2024 Academic Year\)](#)

Important Dates

- All applications must be received by **midnight May 26, 2023**
- Interviews will be scheduled no later than **July 8, 2023** (date subject to change)

[Click here for further details](#)

Contact and send applications to

Mr. Lynn Coers
District 6460 Rotary Scholarship Chair
29494 E CR 2390 N
Manito, IL 61546

Email: lynncoers@yahoo.com
Phone: 309-840-0420

District 6460 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)



Would you like to join fellow Rotarians to enhance your leadership skills and knowledge of Rotary? District 6460 will offer Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) classes through Zoom.

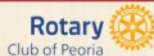
- Part I: March 1 and 8 from 5:30- 8:10 pm
- Part II: April 5 and 12 from 5:30- 8:10 pm
- Part III: April 26 and May 3 from 5:30-8:10 pm

[Click here for further details](#)

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Service Project - Thank You



Thank you to all the Rotarians along with family & friends who volunteered for the Midwest Food Bank service project on Tuesday, February 21st



THANK YOU

Rotary  **PEOPLE OF ACTION**

District 6460 End Polio Now Fundraiser

Ezra Books Cask Strength & Rebel Cask Strength Bourbon (\$100/bottle)
Delivery of bourbon expected in late summer or early fall

[Reserve your bourbon today! \(PDF\)](#)

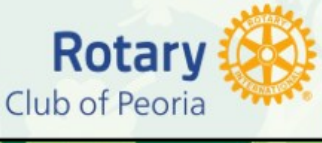
More information and mailing instructions on the form


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Members Celebrations





March

Let's Celebrate

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays		Birthdays	
Colleen Johnson	3/3	George Ghareeb	3/29
Diana Hall	3/6	Joseph Milton	3/30
Tim Swain	3/13	Kate Neumiller Schureman	3/30
Lynne Demanes	3/15	Anniversaries	
Ryan LaCosse	3/19	Austin Locke	4
Stephanie Ramsay	3/21	Ken Silverthorn	7
Daniel McDonough	3/23	Chuck Weaver	14
Sara Hounshell Meinhart	3/27	Win Stoller	23
John Wahlfeld	3/28		

Club Officers

President - Tom McIntyre
 President-Elect - Randy Neff
 Secretary - Katherine Coyle
 Treasurer- Scott Fisher
 Immediate Past President - Janet Bantz Glavin

Board Members

Melissa Entzminger
 Charlie Greer
 Emily Jacob-Rudesill
 Aaron Kilgore
 Patrick Kirchofer
 Randy Neff
 Jana' Stevens

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