

# THE GREEN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA — Club 3238

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CLUB NO. 76



**Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church** 

Friday, March 4, 2022 at 12:00 PM

**Speaker:** Dr. Mary Stapel, OSF Community Care

**Topic:** Doctoring the Homeless in Peoria

Can't make it to the In-Person Meeting? <u>CLICK HERE TO JOIN VIA ZOOM</u>
Meeting ID: 897 6608 1791 Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799

# What's New at The Peoria Ag Lab Dr. Todd Ward, Director of the Center for Agricultural Utilization Research at USDA

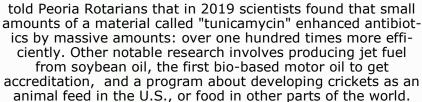


The USDA National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research in Peoria is the largest such agricultural research facility in size, manpower and thirty-million-dollar budget. Better known as

"The Ag Lab" to Peorians, the center employs about 250 scientists and support staff. That includes 80 PhD's. Perhaps best known for the mass production of penicillin in the 1940's, the laboratory's scientists are still working on developing

antibiotics.

Center Director Dr. Todd Ward



The policy of the National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research in Peoria and three similar U.S. laboratories is to develop the technology to create new products and then



license that technology to a commercial partner. It is the commercial sector's job to develop the discovery into a product people can use.

Click here to learn more about The Aq Lab



#### Upcoming Meetings

March 4<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u> Speaker(s): **Dr. Mary Stapel, OSF Community Care** 

**Topic: Doctoring the Homeless in Peoria** 

Invocation: Joe Milton | Greeter(s): Lynn Demanes
Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

March 11<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u>

Speaker(s): Karen Dvorsky, IDOT District 4

Topic: Changes to Bob Michel Bridge are coming

Invocation: George Ghareeb | Greeter(s): George Ghareeb

Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

March 18th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church

Speaker(s): Terri Goss Kinzy, ISU President

**Topic: ISU's Present and Future** 

Invocation: TBD | Greeter(s): Kate Schureman

Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

March 25<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u>

**Speaker(s): Community Service Grants Award Presentation** 

Invocation: Kate Schureman | Greeter(s): Lynn Demanes

Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

## Rotary District 6460 Upcoming Events

2022 Rotary Family Day at The Ball Park

**Chicago Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals** 

June 26th at Busch Stadium | 1:15pm Game Time

Pre-Opening Day Ticket Sale - Early Bird Special -Tickets \$45.00 - Until April 6th \*

On / After Opening Day - April 7th - Tickets \$58.00

\*\* Buying Tickets Helps with The Literacy Projects \*\*

Ticket Order Forms can be downloaded from the Rotary Club of Peoria website or requested by emailing the office infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

#### **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 <u>August 2022 & July 2023</u>.

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,

(<u>agordonsandberg@gmail.com</u>) with questions/concerns!

Meeting Location Reminder

Please remember the club

is holding weekly meetings at the <u>First United Methodist Church</u>. *Unless noted otherwise*. For security reasons the Church doors

will only be unlocked from 11:30am - 12:05pm.
For any members arriving after 12:05pm,
please use the church intercom system

and the receptionist will buzz you in.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING

# **Rotary Readers Update**

Rotary Readers resumed reading, on Tues, Feb. 22nd.
We were SO EXCITED to have readers back in the building!! Please remember to send an email or a text if you can't make it for your time! The kids usually have books ready, and it helps alleviate some disappoint if I know ahead of time that their reader won't be here.
IAR testing is beginning in the building on March 7th!
That means the library will be closed. You can still read in the music room, or you can go to the cafeteria. The cafeteria is a long walk, but it will be completely open because we eat lunch in our classrooms now.
The students are so happy to have you back!
Please touch base with your team captain to confirm your reading schedule.

Thanks to all for your commitment!!

Maggie & Owen - Rotary Readers Co-chairs

#### Sterling Merit Committee

The Sterling Merit Awards Banquet, recognizing the scholastic achievement of the top 8% of high school graduates in Peoria County and East Peoria, will be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Peoria Civic Center Ballroom. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please email Susie Stockman susie1026@comcast.net

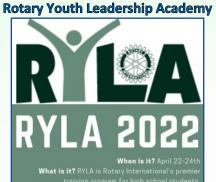
# Trewyn Food Pantry

#### **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 or email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org to arrange a time. If you would like to donate money, we will buy non-perishables on your behalf!



What is it? RYLA is Rotary International's premie training program for high school students emphasizing leadership, citizenship as well as personal growth who can participate? High school sophmores 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 at a mazing 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 <a href="mailto:infodowntown@peoriarotary.org">infodowntown@peoriarotary.org</a> so we can start the application process.

#### Rotary International Announcements







#### Member How to Guide - Login to DACdt



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