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THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA — Club 3238

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Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church

Friday, March 18, 2022 at 12:00 PM

Speaker: Mike Rucker, Author & Retired Caterpillar Engineer

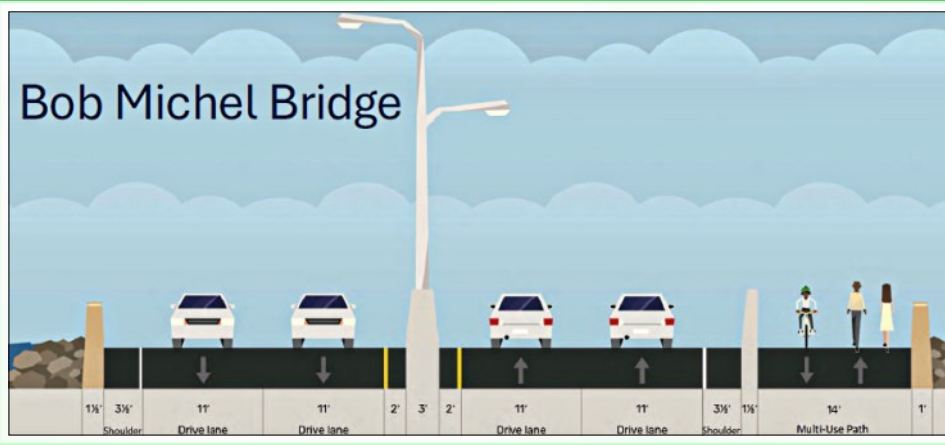
Topic: Peoria's History on Bicycles & Early Automobiles

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

Karen Dvorsky - IDOT District 4 - Bureau Chief of Program Development Changes coming to the Bob Michel Bridge



The Rotary Club of Peoria heard on Friday from Karen Dvorsky, professional engineer and IDOT Bureau Chief of Program Development in Peoria. She is heading up the 19-million-dollar project which will update the thirty-year old Bob Michel Bridge over the next few years. That update will allow for more safer pedestrian and bicycle use on the



bridge, by combining two existing pedestrian/bike lanes into one, and by narrowing the traffic lanes by one foot each.

Karen Dvorsky told Rotarians the impetus for the project had come from a broad base of the community who felt the bridge needed upgrading.

The timing of that, combined with new state "Rebuild Illinois" dollars,

meant the project got off the ground very rapidly. Dvorsky said doing upgrades at this time will prevent repairs down the road. The current plan is to close the entire bridge for a year, rather than "staging" the work which would allow partial access but could mean the Michel Bridge would be closed for up to three years. Bidding on the project is scheduled for next year.

Upcoming Meetings

March 18th - Meeting at **First United Methodist Church**
 Speaker: **Mike Rucker, Author / Retired Caterpillar Engineer**
 Topic: **Peoria's History on Bicycles & Early Automobiles**
 Invocation: **TBD** | Greeter(s): **Kate Schureman**
 Attendance Prize: **Tim Swain**

March 25th - Meeting at **First United Methodist Church**
 Program: **Club Assembly | Community Service Grants**
 Invocation: **Kate Schureman** | Greeter(s): **Lynn Demanes**
 Attendance Prize: **Tim Swain**

April 1st - Meeting at **First United Methodist Church**
 Speaker(s): **Corey James**
 Topic: **Freedom Paws Service Dogs**
 Invocation: **TBD** | Greeter(s): **TBD**
 Attendance Prize: **TBD**

April 8th - Meeting at **First United Methodist Church**
 Speaker(s): **Colleen Callahan, Director IDNR**
 Topic: **Illinois Department of Natural Resources**
 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 are only 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

2022 Membership Drive

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- 22 (Or More) In 2022!

- **1st Place:** FREE MEALS for 1 Quarter (or \$195 if employer pays dues) + Rotary Swag
- **2nd Place:** \$100 Gift Card + Rotary Swag
- **3rd Place:** Rotary Swag

*Point System = 1 points per guest ~
3 points per new member



RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Academy



The goal is to have two or more sophomores from each Rotary Club in District 6460 attend the RYLA weekend Apr 22-24. 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.

Sterling Merit Banquet Announcement

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 3rd at the Peoria Civic Center Ballroom. The committee held the first planning meeting on March 1st. If you are interested in serving on the committee or volunteering to help at the awards banquet, please email Susie Stockman at susie1026@comcast.net or the office infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

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

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 & Hormel Completes.

Melissa can come and pick up items from you, please email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org or call **676-5432** to arrange a time. If you would like to donate money, we will buy non-perishables on your behalf!



Rotary International Announcements



Rotary International Convention

Register to Attend
www.riconvention.org

More Information
www.houstonri2022.org

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Rotary Foundation - Ukraine Relief Efforts



Rotary's network enables rapid humanitarian relief for Ukrainian refugees
Rotary clubs have taken swift action to provide food, water, medical equipment, and shelter for Ukrainian refugees.

[Read more about the relief efforts >](#)

The Rotary Club of Peoria is collecting donations for the relief efforts in Ukraine.
If you would like to donate using a credit/debit card, please go to the club's website www.peoriarotary.org to make your donation.

***Note: This will make it easier for the club to keep records and make sure the donation counts for Paul Harris.**

**You can also mail donations to
Rotary Club of Peoria
P.O. Box 5639 | Peoria, IL 61601
OR**

Make a donation at the weekly meeting.

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 the office 309-676-5432

Rotary
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?

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