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**Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church  
Friday, March 31, 2023 at 12:00PM  
Program: Community Service Grant Awards**

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



## Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Bradley University

Olli was on hand on Friday for Rotarians. First of all, OLLI is not a person. OLLI stands for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, and the one at Bradley University is one of the best of Olli's many locations.

Olli's local President, Diane Rock, and Vice-President Greg Nelson, spoke to Rotarians on Friday. Olli got started at Bradley in 2008 with a two-million-dollar gift from the Osher Foundation.



While Olli has some paid employees, it works so well because of 300 plus volunteers, who teach, organize and otherwise make Olli function.

Meanwhile, Bradley University supports OLLI with staff, meeting spaces and services. One result of Covid is that Olli classes are no longer reserved only for those over 50 years old. Those events at Olli can

range from a hour-long class, to weekly seminars, one-day bus trips or multi-day learning trips.



Rotarian Bernie Drake is heading up one such trip: Following Sherman's March to Atlanta, Georgia.

That Olli trip takes place September 5th to the 12th.



[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

## Member Condolences



### Timothy J. Newlin

December 2, 1952 - March 24, 2023



Timothy J. Newlin, age 70, of Peoria, passed away Friday, March 24, 2023 at his home with his family by his side.

Tim was a member of Rotary for 16 years. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew him, and the Rotary Community a whole. Thank you, Tim, for giving so generously of your resources and time, and for being a true example of "Service Above Self".

Visitation will be held at Wright & Salmon Mortuary on Friday, March 31, 2023 between 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM. Burial will be held at St. Philomena Catholic Church on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at 11:00 AM with an additional visitation held 1 hour prior to mass.

## Upcoming Meetings

March 31st - Meeting at First United Methodist Church  
Program: Community Service Grant Awards  
Greeter: Ryan LaCosse  
Invocation: Sara Meinhart  
Attendance Prize: Tim Swain

APRIL 7th - NO MEETING - GOOD FRIDAY BREAK  
WISHING YOU A GOOD FRIDAY & HAPPY EASTER



APRIL 14th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church  
Speaker: Mike Acerra  
Topic: LuxBlox  
Greeter: Ryan LaCosse  
Invocation: Ryan LaCosse  
Attendance Prize: Bill Harlan

## Trewyn Rotary Readers Fishing Field Trip

**Trewyn Rotary Readers Fishing Field Trip**

**Date: Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> | Time: TBD**

**Location: Camp Big Sky**

**Volunteers are needed to help - we would love to have some of the Rotary Readers there to help out.**

**If you would like to volunteer, a sign-up sheet is available on the back table. You can also email the office and Melissa will get you signed up.**

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## Volunteer Opportunities



**SPRING  
CLEAN-UP  
DAY**

The Service Committee scheduled the Rotary Club of Peoria to volunteer at The Hooked on Fishing Park.

Date: **Wed, April 19th, 2023**

Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Location: Hooked on Fishing Park  
[1807 N Main St - East Peoria](#)

Details: Several volunteers are needed to help clean the areas around the ponds & any other activity you would do in the spring to get ready for opening season.

If you would like to volunteer  
[Click Here to Sign-Up](#)

A sign-up sheet will also be available at the weekly club meeting.

## ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA NEWEST MEMBER



**Daniel Blanchard - (CES)**  
**Computerized Estimating Services**

*Sponsored by Fellow Rotarians  
Brad Stegall & Cedric Volkmer*

### WELCOME NEW ROTARIANS

## Rotary District 6460 Events

### 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](#)

## Rotary Family Day at The Ball Park

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### Chicago Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals

### Busch Stadium - St. Louis

### July 29th, 2023 | 6:15pm Game Time

### Tickets \$60.00

ORDER FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT WEEKLY MEETINGS OR CAN  
DOWNLOADED FROM THE GREEN LIGHT OR THE DISTRICT 6460 WEBSITE

**Buying Tickets Helps with The Literacy Projects**

## 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](mailto:lynncoers@yahoo.com)  
Phone: 309-840-0420



Photos from last year's Rotary Family Day at the Ball Park

## ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA - MARCH 23, 2023 SOCIAL & AXE THROWING AT INDUSTRY BREWING

**THANK YOU**  
for joining us!



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## 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?

# Sterling Merit Sponsorship Opportunities & Benefits



**THE ROTARY CLUBS OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS**  
 Present the **2023 Sterling Merit Awards Banquet**  
 Tues, May 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 - 5:30-8:30 PM | Peoria Civic Center

The annual banquet will host students and their parents from the following area schools: Brimfield, Dunlap, East Peoria, Elmwood, Farmington, Illini Bluffs, Illinois Valley, Limestone, Manual, Peoria Notre Dame, Peoria Heights, Peoria, Princeville, Quest Academy and Richwoods High Schools. We anticipate 650 plus in attendance and would be honored to have you as a sponsor.

The Sterling Merit Awards Banquet has a long history in Central Illinois. It was created to recognize and reward academic excellence of area high school seniors. It was started by the Junior League of Peoria in 1959, and culminated with an annual awards banquet that was held at the Opera House in Peoria's Exposition Gardens. After the Junior League developed this successful program, they searched for a dedicated organization to take on responsibility for its continuation. The Rotary Club of Peoria proudly accepted the invitation to continue this worthy event in 1968, and the Sterling Merit Banquet remains one of the many worthwhile projects and initiatives of this area's Rotary Clubs.

"Service Above Self" is the aim of Rotary and all Rotarians, and there are a number of local participating clubs who jointly sponsor the Sterling Merit Banquet as part of Rotary's longstanding tradition of community service, especially in the area of education. These include the Rotary Clubs of Peoria, Peoria North, Peoria Sunrise, East Peoria, Chillicothe and Farmington. In addition, Peoria Magazine has been a partner in honoring the local high school seniors who are Sterling Merit scholars by featuring a photo spread in the June issue of the magazine.

In honoring the top eight percent of high school graduates who have attained the highest standing in their classes. The Sterling Merit Awards Banquet enhances the incentive for scholastic achievement through public recognition. Rotary is proud to help build stronger communities by recognizing and rewarding outstanding performance and academic excellence. It is Rotary's sincere hope that the connotation of "sterling" – applying equally to these students and their awards – will encourage all to continually strive for quality in their every endeavor.

<b>2023 STERLING MERIT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES &amp; BENEFITS</b>	<b>PLATINUM \$1,500 &amp; ABOVE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Banquet sponsorship of Sterling Merit Banquet</li> <li>• Feature mentioned in all Rotary newsletters in the Peoria area</li> <li>• Logo on big screen display throughout the presentation</li> <li>• Two mentions from the podium as a sponsor</li> <li>• Ability to give a token of recognition to each student</li> <li>• Signage at the banquet will include you company name as a sponsor</li> </ul>
	<b>GOLD \$750</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mention on the big screen presentation before program</li> <li>• Mention from the podium as a sponsor</li> <li>• Name listed on the banquet signage</li> </ul>
	<b>SILVER \$500</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name listed on the big screen presentation before the program</li> <li>• Mention from the podium as a sponsor</li> <li>• Name listed on the event signage</li> </ul>
	<b>BRONZE \$250</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name listed on the big screen presentation before the program</li> <li>• Name listed on the event signage</li> </ul>
	<b>STUDENT SPONSOR \$100</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four students attending the banquet</li> <li>• Name listed on the event signage</li> </ul>
<b>STUDENT SPONSOR \$50</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two students attending the banquet</li> <li>• Name listed on the event signage</li> </ul>	

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 Peoria, IL 61601

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