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Colleen Callahan - Illinois Department of Natural Resources



Colleen Callahan, head of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, told Peoria Rotarians that her department is doing more with less these days. State officials have said the IDNR should ideally have 2,500 employees. The actual number is around 1,150 these days. Colleen Callahan says that is despite having been given the responsibility of 100 additional historic sites in Illinois in 2017.



The IDNR has a wide range of responsibilities - ranging from licenses for

hunting of deer, fish, and waterfowl to managing those historic sites. Those hunting licenses bring in a lot of money to the IDNR. The money is needed because funding for the department is exceptionally low compared to other states. Colleen Callahan says the department doesn't have the ability to charge for services which would increase the budget, because those decisions must come from the General Assembly.





Colleen Callahan also said that work to prevent the Asian Carp from getting into the Great Lakes continues. The latest federal budget includes 225 million dollars in funding for the Asian Carp/Brandon Road Project in Joliet. The project will construct a new channel to test a range of technologies that could prevent Asian Carp from moving from the Illinois River to the Great Lakes.



Be a Youth Exchange Host Family!

Program INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE HOST FAMILIES SOUGHT (Help spread the word)

Rotary Club of Peoria is seeking interested families for the Rotary Youth Exchange program to host an international high school student. Host families do not need to be Rotarians.

The time commitment is four or six months for each host during the 2022-2023 school year between the months of August 2022-July 2023.
If you or someone you know in the community might be interested, contact Rotary of Peoria President Janet Glavin at 309-370-4893 or jglavin@illinois.wish.org.
Interested respondents will be added to an invitation list for an informational online meeting that will be held in April or early May. If you would like to learn more about hosting an exchange student - <u>CLICK HERE</u>

April 22nd - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u> Speaker(s): Gene Olson, Director of Airports Topic: PIA Airport: New Tower Invocation: Steve Driscoll Greeter(s): Emily Jacob-Rudesill & Gina Driscoll Attendance Prize: Bill Harlan

April 29th - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u> Speaker(s): Katie Kim, The Kim Group Topic: Local Realtor Developments Invocation: TBD | Greeter(s): Gina Driscoll Attendance Prize: Emily Jacob-Rudesill May 6th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church

Speaker(s): Dr. Abigail Larrison, Founder / Director Topic: The Community House Network Invocation: TBD | Greeter(s): Jeff Gress Attendance Prize: TBD

Social Event

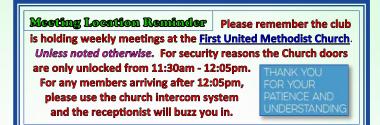


The Social Committee has organized the Club's first Social event of the year. Members are encouraged to bring friends, family members and prospective members. Hors d'oeuvres will be served, and a cash bar will be available.

If you would like to attend the social we are asking that you please **RSVP** by emailing <u>infodowtown@peoriarotary.org</u> A sign-up sheet will also be available at the weekly meeting. Thank you!!

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 - EXTENDED Until April 30th * On / After Opening Day - April 30th - 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 * Note: Game Time may change if ESPN opts to promote this as a Sunday Night Baseball broadcast, so be prepared to be flexible *



New Membership Proposals

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

Amanda Klein - Vice President of Business Solutions INB Illinois National Bank

Sponsored by: Lisa Mullins & Nick Ward

Cedric Volkmer - District Manager Komatsu America Corp Sponsored by: 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.

2022 Membership Drive



Volunteer Opportunities





Trewyn Food Pantry

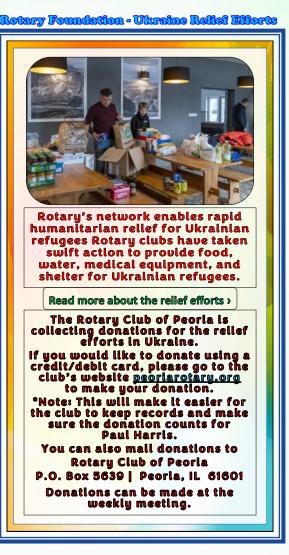
Donations Needed for Trewyn Food Pantry

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 o



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!





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