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 CLUB NO. 76

Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Friday, April 29, 2022 at 12:00 PM
Speaker: Katie Kim, The Kim Group
Topic: Local Realtor Developments

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

New Tower at Peoria International Airport **Gene Olson, Director of Airports**



Peoria Airport Director Gene Olson told Peoria Rotarians on Friday that the FAA is "asking the right questions" about a new Tower for the General Wayne A. Downing International Airport. The current tower is out of date, as the second-oldest non-FAA owned air tower in the country.

Because the tower is owned by the airport, not the FAA, it has been excluded from FAA improvement grants. The "Federal Infrastructure Investment and

Jobs Act" allows spending for non-FAA owned towers. Earlier this year, a bipartisan group of Illinois lawmakers called on the Federal Aviation Administration to allocate the funds to replace the 64-year-old tower.

Gene Olson also reported that -not surprisingly - the Covid epidemic has cut passenger numbers dramatically. There were 689,416 total



passengers boarded in 2019, 326,861 in 2020, and 480,006 in 2021.



Olson also told Rotarians that driving to Chicago and taking a flight from there rather than flying to Chicago can be a false economy. He says that given the cost of driving and storage of an auto at O'Hare, it's cheaper to fly from Peoria. He said most of the people flying to Chicago use O'Hare as a first step in a longer travel plan.

Youth Exchange Program



Be a Host Family for
an Exchange Student!



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Rotary Club of Peoria International Youth Exchange Program Host Family Information Sessions

Learn More About Being A Host Family for The Rotary
International Youth Exchange for the 2022-2023 School Year!

Sign up to attend an Informational virtual meeting:
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email
containing information about joining the meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 26 | TIME: 7:00-7:45 PM
[ZOOM REGISTRATION LINK](#)

THURSDAY, MAY 5 | TIME: 7:00-7:45 PM
[ZOOM REGISTRATION LINK](#)

If you would like more information about the program
or want to refer someone who is interested in being a
host family or learning more contact Scott Seynemeier,
Rotary Club of Peoria Youth Exchange Officer.
Email: sseynemeier@gmail.com | Phone: 309-231-8520

Upcoming Meetings

April 29th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker(s): **Katie Kim, The Kim Group**
Topic: **Local Realtor Developments**

Invocation: **Emily Jacob-Rudesill** | Greeter: **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: **Don Hartshorn** | Greeter(s): **Jeff Gress**
Attendance Prize: **Carol Merna**

May 13th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Program: **TREWYN ROTARY READERS PROGRAM**
Invocation: **Scott Seynemeier** | Greeter: **Don Hartshorn**
Attendance Prize: **Jeff Gress**

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

New Membership Proposals

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

Nicholas Baker - IT Salesman
FACET Technologies
Sponsored by: Randy Neff

Protests may be sent, in writing, to the President or
Secretary within 7 days. If none are received, the
proposals will be considered satisfactory.

Social Event

Rotary  **APRIL CLUB SOCIAL** 
Club of Peoria

Date: Thur, April 28th | Time: 5pm - 7pm
Location: Oliver's in the Heights
Members: Free | Guests: Free

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 infodowntown@peoriarotary.org
A sign-up sheet will also be available at the
weekly meeting. Thank you!!

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



Service Project Update

Five Peoria Rotarians used a sunny Saturday to tear out an old boardwalk at Camp Big Sky in Fulton County. Chuck Gabbert, Austin Locke, Ken Silverthorn, Tom McIntyre, Todd Davis, and John Iverson got their morning exercise in by prying water-soaked wood out of the muddy ground. Camp Big Sky is located on over one hundred acres of former Strip mine land. The mission of Camp Big Sky is to provide education, training and skills development to children and adults with disabilities through participation in accessible outdoor activities. All the services offered by Camp Big Sky are free.



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](tel: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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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 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 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 Donations can be made at the weekly meeting.

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** *

Rotary International Announcements



Rotary International Convention

Register to Attend
www.riconvention.org

More Information
www.houstonri2022.org

Member Announcements

Two Peoria Rotarians were spotlighted at Saturday night's concert by the Peoria Symphony Orchestra.

Rotarian Susan Hoffman is retiring after ten years as the Executive Director of the Peoria Symphony Orchestra. She was honored Saturday night with tributes and bouquets from the Symphony's board and staff. Susan and her husband plan to move to Michigan to be closer to family.



Susan Hoffman

Happy Retirement
SUSAN
We Will Miss You!



Carmen McCarthy

Another Rotarian, Carmen McCarthy sang the national anthems of both the United States and Ukraine as part of the theme of Saturday night's concert, "Unity With Ukraine".



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