

THE GREEN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA — Club 3238

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Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church Friday, May 13, 2022 at 12:00 PM

Program: Trewyn Rotary Readers

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

The Community House Network Dr. Abigail Larrison

Dr. Abigail Larrison is the founder of The Community House Network in Peoria.



It's an effort by the former neuroscientist to fight against violence and deal with the effects of poverty in her neighborhood in the 800 Block of West Thrush Street.

Young people at Community House are encouraged to think of kindness first. Youngsters sign a "contract" to speak well of each other.

Earlier this year, Community House transitioned into a 501 3C public charity from an organization sponsored by Larrison herself.

Abigail Larrison says one aspect of Community House is having people who visit there become "an ambassador for kindness". Another aspect is on-going 12-step meetings held there six days a week.

Nearby is the Chrysalis House which offers residential housing for four women going through the 12-step process. To see more of The Community House's activities, visit their website thecommunityhousenetwork.com



Blumenthal Scholarship Update



ISU student Olivia Streeter, who was a Blumenthal Scholarship recipient three years ago, visited the Rotary Club of Peoria last Friday to update us on her progress. Earlier this year, Olivia became the recipient of the inaugural WCBU Scholarship.

Olivia is a junior in Illinois State University School of Communications studying mass media and is also a student reporter on Public Radio locally. Friday, she told Rotarians she is looking forward to becoming a producer in media when she graduates.



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! 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

May 13th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church **Program: Trewvn Rotary Readers Program**

Invocation: Scott Seynemeier | Greeter: Don Hartshorn

Attendance Prize: Jeff Gress

May 20th - Meeting at <u>Barrack's Cater Inn</u> Speaker(s): Ty Livingston & Eric Miller

Topic: East Peoria Trail Design

Invocation: TBD | Greeter: Scott Seynemeier

Attendance Prize: Don Hartshorn

May 27th - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u>

Program: Blumenthal Scholarship Awards Invocation: TBD | Greeter(s): Don Hartshorn

Attendance Prize: Gene Olson

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.





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
- d Place: \$100 Gift Card + Rotary
- 3rd Place: Rotary Swag
- *Point System = 1 points per guest ~ points per new member

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 * 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 Service Project to support Make-A-Wish in Peoria

Luz Elena, age 10 of Peoria is diagnosed with a lifethreatening seizure disorder. Because of her frequent seizures, she has a lot of anxiety about playing safely away from home and has limited vision as well. In order to play safely, Luz has wished for a Barbie-themed playhouse in her backyard located in central Peoria. We are in need of volunteers to help with the following:

May 20 and or May 21 - Help assembly and finishing of interior - Furniture assembly (play stove, couch/bed, chairs and table, hanging of lights and wall items, etc.. Need four volunteers for approximately 2 hours. If after Rotary, work can be done immediately following Rotary or later Friday afternoon. Like 2-4 or 2-5 PM.

May 20 and/or May 21 - Help installing mulch & planting flowers for Luz to finish her playhouse and set up for wish day reveal party! Weather dependent. Can be done immediately following Rotary meeting on 5/20 from approx. 2-4 PM. Or Saturday morning from approx. 9-11:30 AM.

If you would like to volunteer, email the office to be added to the list - infodowtown@peoriarotary.org.

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



REALITY CHECK For ages 11-18

Tuesday, July 12th

Morning Shift- 9:00 am-12:30 pm Afternoon Shift - 12:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Reality Check is a hands-on financial literacy simulation for youth ages 11-18. Volunteers are needed to run booths and shops where students can spend their money, & to help students balance their checkbooks & navigate the event.

Contact Lyndsie to reserve your spot (309) 369-2335 · lgravemier@goodwillpeo.org

Can you survive a month as an adult?

Compete against other teens in this fun workshop as you try to apply for a job, choose housing, haggle over a car, budget for childcare, and still end with money in the bank. But be careful, one spin of the wheel could spell fortune... or disaster.

Tuesday, July 12th, 2022 Time assigned at registration.

Thank you to Peoria Downtown Rotary Club for your support in this event.





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 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 International Announcement

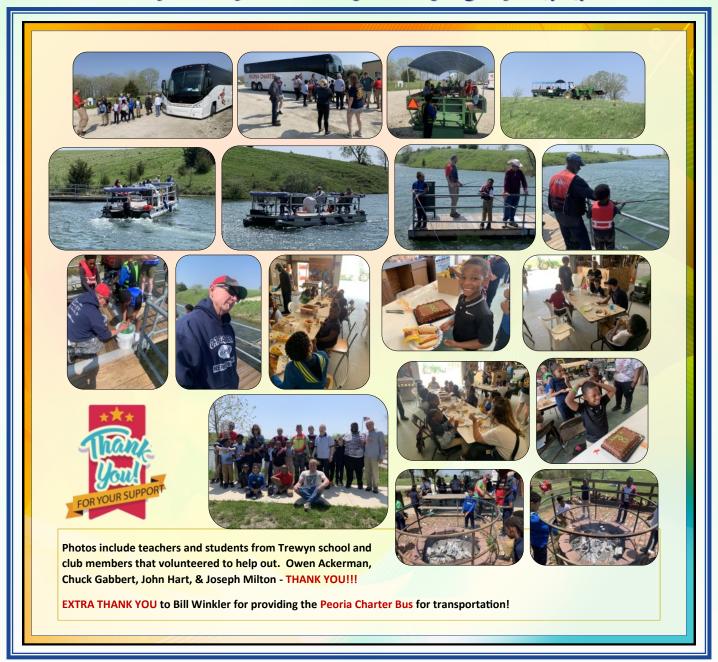


Rotary International Convention

Register to Attend www.riconvention.org

More Information www.houstonri2022.org

Trewyn Rotary Readers Trip to Camp Big Sky - 05/09/22



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