

# THE GREEN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA - Club 3238 P.O. Box 5639 • Peoria, IL 61601

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Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church Friday, August 4, 2023 at 12:00PM Speaker: Dr. Tena McNamara Topic: Critical Issues in Hearing Loss

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

Win Stoller, the 37th District Senator has been serving in his district since 2021. He spoke to Peoria Rotarians on Friday. Stoller, a one-time President of the Peoria Club, spoke of three key principles from his Ironman training which can be applied to a non-athletic life.

They are: **Getting out of your comfort zone**, Small is powerful, and Thinking long term.

Senator Stoller said Rotary's "Polio Plus" campaign was an example of long-term thinking: having a program which hammers at a specific goal relentlessly. Senator Stoller also encouraged Peoria Rotarians to set goals "so large they scare you" and to make a habit of encouraging people.

Stoller's 37th Senate District includes all or parts of Bureau, DeKalb, Henry, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Peoria, Rock Island, Stark, Whiteside and Woodford counties. The 37th District is, Stoller says, larger than the states of Rhode Island and Delaware combined.



Pictured from left to right: Win Stoller, IL 37th District Senator and Randy Neff, **President - Rotary Club of Peoria** 

Senator Stoller's non-Springfield job is CEO at Widmer Interiors in Peoria, where he has spent the last 23 years.



### **ROTARY ACTION PLAN - VISION**

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves"

Rotary Club of Peoria 2023-2024 Rotary



#### Upcoming Meetings

AUGUST 4th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Dr. Tena McNamara
Topic: Critical Issues in Hearing Loss
Greeter: Chris Crawford
Inspiration/Reflection: Bill Winkler
Attendance Prize: Chris Crawford
Meeting Tech: Ryan LaCosse

AUGUST 11th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speakers: Ray LaHood & Mayor Rita Alia
Topic: Rail Corridor Developments
Greeter: Thomas Schlink
Inspiration/Reflection: Mick Hall
Attendance Prize: Thomas Schlink
Meeting Tech: Maggie Freidag

AUGUST 18th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Mae Wright | Topic: ARTS Partners
Greeter: Mick Hall
Inspiration/Reflection: Martha Herm
Attendance Prize: Mick Hall
Meeting Tech: Austin Locke

#### Rotary Club T.Shirts

THE NEW ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA
T-SHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$15.00!
WE HAVE SEVERAL DIFFERENT SIZES IF YOU DON'T HAVE A ROTARY
T-SHIRT - STOP BY THE CHECK-IN
TABLE AND PICK ONE UP.



#### Volunteer Opportunity



#### August Social

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA - AUGUST SOCIAL EVENT**

Date: Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> | Time: TBA Location: Ivy Club - 5102 N Galena Rd - Peoria Heights

Cost: Club Members - FREE | GUESTS - \$15.00

If you would like to attend the social, we are asking that you please RSVP by August 14th to infodowntown@peoriarotary.org
You can submit RSVP's using the link in the Green Light Newsletter or using the sign-up sheet available at the weekly meetings.

# ROTARY CLUB'S OF PEORIA & MORTON - COMBINED JULY SOCIAL Hosted by Rotarian's Katie Vandenburg & Emily Jacob-Rudesill



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# Birthdays Anniversaries

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## Member Celebrations

Birthdays		
Member	0afe	
Darey McQuellon	8/1	
Martha Herm	8/2	
Chris Crawford	8/4	
John Bearce	8/6	
Thomas Schlink	8/9	
Amanda Klein	8/11	
Jeremy Caldera	8/16	
Jim Cote	8/21	
Mick Wall	8/24	
Bill Winkler	8/24	
Charlie Greer	8/25	
Jodi Lindsay	8/27	
Jenni Davis	8/80	

Anniversaries		
Member	years	
Tim Basseff	9	
Colleen Johnson	4	
Melissa Entzminger	4	
Randall Yelverton	99	
Owen Ackerman	88	
Ray Labood	40	



#### Foundation Minute



## Rotary ( FOUNDATION MINUTE - CREATE HOPE ) In the WORLD



RI President-elect R. Gordon R. McInally calls for Rotary to create hope in the world by working for peace and mental wellbeing. He urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that's necessary to realize these values.

Author Laini Taylor wrote "Hope can be a powerful force. Maybe there's no actual magic in it, but when you know what you hope for most and hold it like a light within you, you can make things happen, almost like magic.'

We can hope for peace and wellbeing, but to create it, we must understand it. As Albert Einstein said, "Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding."

"Let us build peace within and spread it freely. Let us create belonging and imagine the future of Rotary afresh. Let us work together joyously and Create Hope in the World." - Gordon McInally

### **EVERY ROTARIAN. EVERY YEAR**

Did you know that donors who gave \$25-\$50 contributed more than \$5.1 million to the Foundation in 2020-21? When every Rotarian gives every year, it makes life-changing, sustainable projects possible.

#### Also in 2020-21:

- \$139 million was given to the Annual Fund.
- 34% of Rotarians donated to the Annual Fund.
- 82% of Rotary clubs supported the Annual Fund.
- · 2,066 global grants were awarded.











Last Friday, Peoria Rotarian Jason Parkinson visited the Riverside Rotary Park in Iuneau, Alaska.



# 2023 District 6460 Conference / Rotary Foundation Dinner



# The Rotary Club of Peoria Consider Becoming a Member!

We welcome you to join us at an upcoming Rotary Club of Peoria meeting to see what it's all about.

To learn more about The Rotary Club of Peoria and becoming a member, click the Rotary Membership Image



If you have any questions email infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

## **Club Officers**

President - Randy Neff

President-Elect - Jana' Stevens

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Treasurer- Gina Driscoll

Immediate Past President - Tom McIntyre

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Charlie Greer

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