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**Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Friday, August 11, 2023 at 12:00 PM
Speakers: Ray LaHood & Mayor Rita Ali
Topic: Rail Corridor 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



Dr. Tena
McNamara


Audiologist Dr. Tena McNamara appeared before Peoria Rotarians on Friday to talk about hearing loss and its treatment.

Dr. McNamara says the new option for the hearing of hearing: over-the-counter hearing aids have some minuses, and some pluses.

On the positive side, they can be significantly cheaper than custom-fitted aids. That may allow for many more people to get hearing help. On the negative side, the OTC aids cater only to minor to moderate hearing loss and will not help all people.

In addition, they will not be custom fitted and may become uncomfortable. A further negative is that Medicaid nor insurance currently covers OTC aids.

But Dr. McNamara says the cheaper hearing aids being made available to the consumer seems to have forced custom hearing aid manufacturers to provide some lower-cost options. She also says there's a bill on the Governor's desk which would force insurance companies to cover ALL hearing aids and not exclude the OCT devices.

Want to hear more from Dr. McNamara? Click here  to hear her talk on PBS about hearing loss.



Being Well: Hearing Loss and Prevention Season 4 Episode 10

Dr. Tena McNamara, audiologist, explains hearing loss, prevention measures and hearing aid options.

www.pbs.org

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 and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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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



Upcoming Meetings

AUGUST 11th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speakers: Ray LaHood & Mayor Rita Ali
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

AUGUST 25th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Congressman Eric Sorensen
Topic: Legislative Updates
Greeters: Charlie Greer & John Bearce
Inspiration/Reflection: Amanda Klein
Attendance Prize: John Bearce
Meeting Tech: Brad Stegall

New Rotary Club Member

WELCOME NEW ROTARY
 CLUB OF PEORIA MEMBERS



Brittany Graves
Peoria County Government
Sponsored by Fellow Rotarians
Brooke & Marcellus Sommerville

WELCOME NEW ROTARIANS

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



August Social

ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA - AUGUST SOCIAL EVENT

Date: Thursday, August 17th | Time: 5:00pm - 7:00pm
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 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.



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.



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SERVICE Above Self

Rotary Club of Peoria - Committee List



The goal of the board is to have all members sign up for at least one committee. (Not limited to one) Please review the attached committees & select the ones you are interested in & reply either to the chair of that committee or the [office](#).

COMMITTEE LIST OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA

A/V TECH COMMITTEE

Chair: [Austin Locke](mailto:Austin@share-builders.com) (Austin@share-builders.com)

Group of members to manage the Technology (Audio, Video, Zoom, etc) during our weekly club meetings.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Chair: [Randy Neff](mailto:rneff@neffvaluation.com) (rneff@neffvaluation.com)

The Executive Committee, made up of the five officers, meets to oversee the governance of the Club.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION (TRF) and ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Chair: [Emily Jacob-Rudesill](mailto:emilyj@fosterjacob.com) (emilyj@fosterjacob.com)

Encourages Club Members to actively support the philanthropic opportunities of Rotary through The Rotary Foundation (TRF) and the Rotary Club of Peoria Endowment Fund. The Committee educates the Club about the work and outcomes of TRF and Endowment Fund.

GRANTS COMMITTEE

Chair: [Amanda Klein](mailto:aklein@inb.com) (aklein@inb.com)

Selects organizations to receive hunger and community service grants from the Rotary Club of Peoria.

INTERACT COMMITTEE

Chair: [Aaron Kilgore](mailto:askilgore64@gmail.com) (askilgore64@gmail.com)

Work with high school personnel to organize a student-led service club based on Rotary ideals.

Interact volunteers must submit to a background check and be orientated to the program.

Recruit sophomore Interact members to RYLA (District Rotary Youth Leadership Academy).

Collaborate with the Public Image Committee to highlight Interact activities to the Club and possibly media.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

Chair: [Janet Bantz Glavin](mailto:jglavin@illinois.wish.org) (jglavin@illinois.wish.org) | Co-Chair: [Eileen Setti](mailto:esetti@rmhc-centralillinois.org) (esetti@rmhc-centralillinois.org)

Responsible for all aspects of the club's activities relating to International Service such as District international projects or club grants from The Rotary Foundation; and sponsoring Youth Exchange.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair: [Aaron Kilgore](mailto:askilgore64@gmail.com) (askilgore64@gmail.com)

Plan activities to actively support and encourage membership growth and membership retention.

MUSIC COMMITTEE

Chair: [Edie Barnard](mailto:PeoriaMusicLady@gmail.com) (PeoriaMusicLady@gmail.com)

Provide any musical needs for the Club, including weekly meetings.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chair: [Jana' Stevens](mailto:jstevens@cefcu.com) (jstevens@cefcu.com)

Nominate a slate of Officers and Directors for approval by The Board and then the entire Membership. Requirements are based on the Bylaws of the Club. The President Elect chairs the Committee and chooses the committee members.

ORIENTATION COMMITTEE

Chair: [Steve Driscoll](mailto:steve.driscoll@goblusky.com) (steve.driscoll@goblusky.com)

Informs prospective and new members about all aspects and responsibilities of Rotary membership. Perhaps sponsor follow-up "Rotary 101" sessions after new members are inducted.

PUBLIC IMAGE COMMITTEE

Chair: [Jason Parkinson](mailto:jason.parkinson@onefire.com) (jason.parkinson@onefire.com)

Promotes awareness and provides information to the public about the Club and Rotary International.

ROTARY READERS COMMITTEE

Chair: [Maggie Freidag](mailto:maggiefreidag@gmail.com) (maggiefreidag@gmail.com)

Rotary Readers will work in teams of four, with one member serving as team captain. Each team will read with two students all year long. Participation in group activities with the students such as a trip to Tanner's Orchard, are encouraged.

Rotary Readers must submit to a background check and be orientated to the program.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair: [Walter Ruppman](mailto:wruppman@comcast.net) (wruppman@comcast.net)

Administers the various Club scholarship activities and programs by working with Peoria High School and ICC in choosing the Blumenthal and Hardin scholarship winners and organizing their celebration at a Rotary meeting.

SERVICE PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Co-Chair: [Chuck Gabbert](mailto:chuck@ctgabbert.com) (chuck@ctgabbert.com)

To plan and organize volunteer activities / projects for the Rotary Club Members and their families to participate in.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Chair: [Colleen Halberg](mailto:chalberg@epicci.org) (chalberg@epicci.org)

To plan and organize activities beyond the Friday meetings to promote networking among Club members and their families and to help recruit new members.

STERLING MERIT BANQUET COMMITTEE

Board Liaison: [Susie Stockman](mailto:susie1026@comcast.net) (susie1026@comcast.net)

Plan and participate in the annual Sterling Merit Banquet which honors the top eight percent of graduating seniors from twelve area high schools. The Rotary Clubs of Peoria, Peoria-North, Farmington and Chillicothe sponsor the event.

The Rotary Club of Peoria serves as the lead club for the event.

**2023 District 6460 Conference
/ Rotary Foundation Dinner**

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District 6460

**District Conference and
Rotary Foundation Dinner**
Saturday, October 28
Conference - 9:30 to 4:00
Foundation Dinner - 5:00 to 7:45
University of Illinois in Springfield

*Celebrate Rotary
& Be Inspired! See
current, and meet
new, Rotary friends.*

FEATURED SPEAKERS & FACILITATORS:

- Dr. Jennifer Staats, United States Institute for Peace
- Past Rotary International Vice President, Nicki Scott
- Rotarian Steve Evans, Collinsville Chief of Police
- Rotary Peace Fellow Dr. Moh Eid

Conference: \$50 includes lunch. Rotary Foundation Dinner: \$75

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

F o u n d a t i o n M i n u t e

Rotary Club of Peoria **FOUNDATION MINUTE - CREATE HOPE**

Rotary vision: An endowment to fund the association's good works into perpetuity. The result: The Rotary Foundation.

"The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary as expressed in our Objects and with the just fear of God and love of our fellowmen, we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity."

The Rotary Foundation, THE ROTARIAN, April 1929
From the Rotary Archives - 1916-17 Arch C. Klumph,
Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio, USA.

Club Officers

President - Randy Neff
 President-Elect - Jana' Stevens
 Secretary - Caitlin Behrends
 Treasurer- Gina Driscoll
 Immediate Past President - Tom McIntyre

Board Members

Robert Brandfass
 Melissa Entzminger
 Charlie Greer
 Emily Jacob-Rudesill
 Jason Parkinson
 Cedric Volkmer

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