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**Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Friday, September 09, 2022 at 12:00PM
Speaker: Molly Hogeboom, Community Engagement
Manager for Easterseals Central Illinois
Topic: Easterseals 101**

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

Bradley University's Award-Winning Speech Team



Andrew Eilola, the Bradley Speech Team Director of Forensics and BU team members David Daye and Kaity Johnson appeared before Peoria Rotarians Friday.

The Bradley Speech Team is the Green Bay Packers of Forensics -- the most successful speech team in the nation and is the only team to win a national championship every decade since 1980.

Bradley boasts more than 40 National speech championships since 1978.

That's nearly 60% of all competitions, more than 20 American Forensic Association National Titles since 1980. Bradley team members not only work with their own team and their own specialties all scholastic year, but coach and judge High School forensics events as well.

Andrew Eilola says that "competition fuels education" because the continual process of refining and rehearsing a piece pushes a student to do their absolute best, sometimes rewriting a speech some thirty times.

David Daye and Kaity Johnson both gave shortened five-minute versions of their specialties, persuasive speech, and prose.

Surprisingly, neither David nor Kaity is a speech major. David's major is Political Science and Organizational Communication and Kaity is an Advertising and Public Relations major.



Pictured from Left to Right: Members of the Bradley Speech Team: Kaity Johnson, Vice President, Andrew Eilola, Director of Forensics & Team President David Daye

42 TEAM
National
Championships

162
individual
national
titles

Upcoming Meetings

September 9th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Molly Hogeboom
Topic: Easter Seals 101
Invocation: Shelly Heiden
Attendance Prize: Dr. Bill Albers
Greeter: Debbie Sippel

September 16th - Meeting at First United Methodist Church
Speaker: Dr. Bill Albers
Topic: US Healthcare – Still a Problem?
Invocation: Patti Bash
Attendance Prize: Jason Miller
Greeter: Dr. Bill Albers

September 23rd - Meeting at Peoria Riverfront Museum
Speaker: Jim Shadid - US District Judge
Topic: Citizenship Trust & Confidence in the Federal Courts
Invocation: Edie Barnard
Attendance Prize: Betsy Bladel
Greeter: Debbie Sippel

Rotary Readers • Save the Date

Rotary Readers Orientation is scheduled to take place on **Tues. September, 13th at 3:45pm at Trewyn Grade School - 1419 S Folkers Ave, Peoria, IL 61605**

Please remember to bring ID's | Enter through the main front door, we will be meeting in the Library.

Reading Begins: Monday, September, 19th 2022

Click Here if you would like more information about making a positive impact on needy 2nd graders.

Let's make this another great year with Miss Doty's 2nd grade students.

Thanks to all for your commitment!!

Maggie & Owen - Rotary Readers Co-chairs

Upcoming Events

Hosted by PHS Interact/Key Club

COMMUNITY TAKE BACK

Sept. 14 2022
PHS practice football field
5-8 pm

all proceeds will be donated to The Carver Center

Thank You:
Lights On, PPTO & GMA

come out and enjoy...

- face paint
- bouncy houses
- food trucks
- local vendors
- games
- 90.7 radio station
- dunk tank
- and more

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

Youth Exchange Student • Updates



ROTARY CLUB of PEORIA WELCOMES FINNISH-ESTONIAN MULTIDISTRICT ROTARY DISTRICT 1430 2022-23 EXCHANGE STUDENT



Konsta
Age 17



Kuopio, Finland

Konsta arrived in the United States on Sunday, August 7th



Rotary Club of Peoria International Youth Exchange Program

- **Angela & Shawn Weck** are hosting **Konsta** from - August through November
- **Two additional host families are still needed - One for the December through March term and one for the third & final leg of his stay April through July**
- We are looking for host families who live primarily in Brimfield or Peoria or nearby. The time commitment is four months for each family. Host families do not have to be Rotarians. (Help spread the word)
- **Youth Exchange Counselor - Brad Stegall** has completed his online training / paperwork to become the Youth Exchange Counselor for Konsta.

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

Volunteer Opportunities



The Rotary Club of Peoria has been involved with the Goodwill Stand Down for Homeless Veterans for 14 years!! This year's annual event will be held at **Goodwill Commons 2319 E. War Memorial Dr** on **Oct 15**.

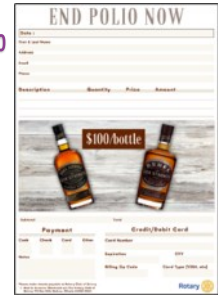
Volunteers are needed to help out between **8 AM - 1 PM**. Please be sure to include your up to date phone & email - Goodwill will contact you about timeslots. If you would like to volunteer, a sign-up sheet will be available at the weekly meetings. You can also email the office infodowntown@peoriarotary.org to be added to list. Thank you!!



Rotary District 6460 Fundraiser

The bourbon to help #endpolionow is in! This is a district wide fundraiser that will help us raise anywhere between \$10,000 and \$15,000 from our district to #endpolionow. If any club members pre-ordered Suzanne Ellerbrock will be making club visits to deliver them, and for those members that did not preorder, she will be bringing along extra bottles for sale. They have Ezra Brooks and Rebel from the Lux Rox Distillery - both Cask Strength selling for \$100 a bottle. There is still time to send an order form - the preferred payment is cash or check and the form can be found on the [District Website](#).

Please, don't hesitate to buy a case (6 bottles) from the club and give it as a gift. Remember, for every dollar we raise for #endpolionow - The Gates Foundation will match it! So, if our district raises \$10,000, it, becomes \$30,000. Let's sell out! We have 300 bottles that are available. Thank you for helping make this a successful district wide fundraiser!



Hunger Grant Announcement

The Rotary Club of Peoria will start accepting applications for the 2022 Hunger Grants on **Sept 9th, 2022**. Grants from the Rotary Club of Peoria Hunger Fund are given for Direct Services to Programs that: Provide Basic Needs of Food & Food related items such as Refrigerators, Coolers, & Supplies for Food Distribution.

Grant amounts generally range from \$200 to \$2,000.

Applications will be available on the Rotary Club website www.peoriarotary.org

If you have any questions please email the office at infodowntown@peoriarotary.org

Club Member Announcements

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Member Celebrations

SEPTEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays		Anniversaries	
Member	Date	Member	Years
Cedric Volkmer	9/01	Katherine Coyle	5
Shelly Heiden	9/05	Scott Seynemeier	5
Steve Thompson	9/05	Kari Gabbert	7
Edie Barnard	9/07	John Iverson	7
Kala Bertrand Pierce	9/07	Peter Russell	7
Debbie Sippel	9/11	Nick Vespa	12
Sue Porfscheller	9/15	Edie Barnard	17
Dr. Bill Albers	9/17	Randy Neff	21
Jason Miller	9/29	Sue Porfscheller	23

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Club Officers

President - Tom McIntyre
 President-Elect - Randy Neff
 Secretary - Katherine Coyle
 Treasurer - Scott Fisher
 Immediate Past President - Janet Bantz Glavin

Board Members

Melissa Entzminger
 Charlie Greer
 Emily Jacob-Rudesill
 Aaron Kilgore
 Patrick Kirchofer
 Randy Neff
 Jana' Stevens

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