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## Weekly Meeting at Peoria Riverfront Museum

Friday, September 23, 2022 at 12:00PM

Speaker: Jim Shadid - US District Judge

Topic: Citizenship Trust & Confidence in the Federal Courts

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. Bill Albers - US Healthcare - Still a Problem?

Retired Peoria physician Dr. Bill Albers spoke to his fellow Rotarians on Friday, about the state of health of the American Medical System. That state, Dr. Albers says, is "not good". Eighty-five percent of the US population has good healthcare --because we have the financial and physical access to it.

But, Dr. Albers says, Americans pay more for that healthcare than any other developed country: \$12,500 per capita. Moreover, he says, 8.5 % of the population is uninsured, while many more are under-insured. And, while we spend more on healthcare than any other population, the rates of life expectancy, infant mortality and maternal mortality are far from the best in the world. Dr. Albers would like to see a single payer system, but says that is unlikely to happen. In addition, higher medical costs in the US have been brought about by unnecessary care, costly medical imaging, high administrative costs, and the cost of pharmaceuticals.

What can individual Rotarians do? Dr. Bill Albers says volunteer, donate, educate, and vote for health reform.



Dr. Bill Albers



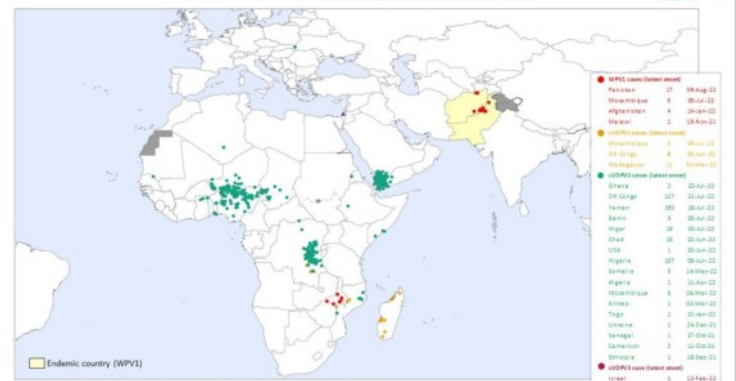
### Rotary statement on recent polio detections in U.S., Europe

Sep 17, 2022

The recent detection of the vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 case in New York, USA, and isolates in several environmental samples collected in London are stark reminders that as long as polio exists anywhere, it is a threat everywhere. It also highlights the...

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Global WPV1 & cVDPV Cases<sup>1</sup>, Previous 12 Months<sup>2</sup>



## Upcoming Meetings

**September 23<sup>rd</sup> - 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

**September 30<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at First United Methodist Church**  
**Speaker:** Tom Cox - Director of Medical Imaging & Outpatient Oncology OSF HealthCare  
**Topic:** OSF Cancer Institute  
**Invocation:** Sue Portscheller  
**Attendance Prize:** Dr. Bill Albers  
**Greeter:** Edie Barnard

**October 7<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at First United Methodist Church**  
**Speaker:** Mike Bailey, Editor, Peoria Magazine  
**Topic:** Peoria Magazine Update  
**Invocation:** TBD  
**Attendance Prize:** TBD  
**Greeter:** TBD

## Hunger Grants Announcement

The Rotary Club of Peoria is now accepting applications for the 2022 Hunger Grants

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.

### 2022 Hunger Grant Application

Applications are also available on the Rotary Club website [www.peoriarotary.org](http://www.peoriarotary.org)

Completed applications must be received in the Rotary email cue on or before **September 30, 2022**.

If you have any questions please email the office at [infodowntown@peoriarotary.org](mailto:infodowntown@peoriarotary.org)

## Upcoming Events

More Information Coming Soon

**WORLD POLIO DAY IS 24 OCTOBER**

endpolio.org | #EndPolio

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## Rotary Readers - Update

The Rotary Readers Program kicked off on **Mon. Sept, 19th** at **Trewyn Grade School - 1419 S Folkers Ave - Peoria, IL**  
**REMEMBER: The first day your scheduled to read please bring your ID's** so the school can make a copy | You can also fill out the **District Volunteer Registration form**, at the school if you haven't already done so.

[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

## Youth Exchange Student - Updates

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

rotary youth exchange

Konsta Age 17

Kuopio, Finland

Konsta arrived in the United States on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>

Rotary Club of Peoria

rotary youth exchange

Be a Host Family for an Exchange Student

**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: [ssynemeier@gmail.com](mailto:ssynemeier@gmail.com) | Phone: 309-231-8520

## Volunteer Opportunities

**Stand Down** for Homeless Veterans

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](mailto:infodowntown@peoriarotary.org) to be added to list. Thank you!!

## Rotary District 6460 Updates

### District Conference



ROTARY DISTRICT 6460  
**2022 CONFERENCE**  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 &  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5



*Connecting in ways to change the world!*

Join us IN-PERSON or virtually to learn and collaborate with fellow Rotarians and Imagine Rotary and how we can connect in ways to change the world!

Conference Location  
Gateway Convention Center, Collinsville, IL 62234

General Admission In-Person - \$175  
General Admission Virtual - \$75  
Friday Lunch Only - Keynote speaker/lunch -12pm to 1pm - \$35

[Click Here for Information About the Conference](#)

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### Club Member Announcements

**Peoria Area Reader's Theater Ensemble (P. A. R. T. E.) performs *Inherit the Wind* at the Peoria Riverfront Museum's Giant Screen Theater Sat. October 15 at 7:30 p.m. & Sun. October 16 at 3:30 p.m.**

*Inherit the Wind*, the timeless drama depicting issues of science and faith and how society grapples with these controversies, is an imaginative dramatization of the 1925 Scopes "Monkey Trial." In this landmark trial, high school teacher John Scopes was tried for violating a Tennessee law forbidding the teaching of evolution, specifically "the simian descent of man."

Edith Barnard directs this multimedia show which will feature performances by Judge Jim Shadid, Phil Luciano, Gene Pratt, Kathryn Eissfeldt, Tom Biederbeck, Judge Chris Doscotch, Barbara Carraway, Brian Buralli, Judge Mike McCuskey, Mitch Gilfillan and many more talented Central Illinois actors.

The "Hillsboro Tunes of the Twenties Trio" features Wes Sedrel, guitar; Don Perilles, keyboard & Bill Turner, bass. The Giant Screen slides are created by Duffy Armstrong Farrell & Elizabeth Keest Sedrel.

The question of evolution versus creationism still elicits strong feelings. In *Inherit the Wind*, the arguments are presented in the dramatic setting of a courtroom. "What's on trial here is not evolution; it's freedom of speech!": so states lead defense counsel Henry Drummond. *This rollicking audience participatory production benefits "Prairie State Legal Services."*

So that audiences can converse with the cast who will be in character, the theater will open 30 minutes prior to the performances. Doors open at 7 p.m. Saturday evening for the 7:30 performance & at 3 p.m. on Sunday for the 3:30 performance.

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW.** Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased online at [info@PeoriaRiverfrontMuseum.org](mailto:info@PeoriaRiverfrontMuseum.org) or by calling the Museum at 309-686-7000.



**Inherit the Wind Stars!!**

Gene Pratt (Matthew Brady), Edith Barnard (Director), Phil Luciano (Hornbeck) & Jim Shadid (Henry Drummond)

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#### District 6460 End Polio Now Fundraiser

Ezra Books Cask Strength & Rebel Cask Strength Bourbon (\$100/bottle)  
Delivery of bourbon expected in late summer or early fall

[Reserve your bourbon today! \(PDF\)](#)

More information and mailing instructions on the form

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