

# THE GREEN LIGHT

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA — Club 3238

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Weekly Meeting at First United Methodist Church

Friday, November 19, 2021 at 12:00 PM

**Speaker: Christell Yosunni Frausto** 

**Topic:** Greater Peoria Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

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Meeting ID: 897 6608 1791 Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799



Col. Dan McDonough, 182 Airlift Wing Air Guard Update





In honor of Veterans Day, Club Member, Colonel Daniel McDonough, provided an informative update on the 182nd Airlift Wing. Following a brief history of planes flown from the Base, he noted that the C-130 allowed for service opportunities across the globe. The plane provides airlift and airdrop, and the Base supports and works for both the President of the United States as well as the Illinois Governor.

Individuals come from across the USA to serve at the 182nd Airlift Wing – with 1,200 currently assigned to the Base. The Base recently had a Ribbon Cutting for its 40th building which will house the new fire station. Beyond the C-130s,

which provide airlift support, fly on medical missions, and assist with disaster relief, the 182nd has additional units which include Air Support Operations, Combat Communications, and the 566th Air Force Band.

Colonel McDonough commented that this has been an active year – besides the Mississippi River flood and providing support in Washington D.C. following the January 6 Capital Riot, the 182nd also flew Afghanistan residents to safety.





In addition, 182nd has been assisting with COVID-19 efforts throughout the state. Beyond work at

vaccine and testing sites, the Wing also analyzed former hospitals to consider their conversion into functioning hospitals in the event additional medical facilities were needed. And, in Chicago they worked to make McCormick Place a 3,500 bed COVID -19 hospital as well as convert the Embassy Suites into a homeless shelter to prevent disease spread.

Thank you to the men and women of the 182nd Airlift Wing for the services provided to Central Illinois and around the world!

# **Youth Exchange Program**



#### Be a Youth Exchange Host Family!

We are currently looking for 2-3 families that would be interested in hosting an inbound youth exchange student between the months of <u>August 2022</u> & <u>July 2023</u>.

The student would live with the family for 3-5 months during that time period. A variety of family structures are perfect for being host families - small, big, with many children, or no children. Working families - retired families - We aim to reflect real-world families to students, and we know that real families come in all shapes and sizes.

If you are interested in becoming a host family for our inbound student, please email Amanda Gordon-Sandberg (agordonsandberg@gmail.com) with questions/concerns!

#### **Meeting Location Reminder**

Please remember the club

is holding weekly meetings at the <u>First United Methodist Church</u>. *Unless noted otherwise*. For security reasons the Church doors

will only be unlocked from 11:00am - 12:15pm.

For any members arriving after 12:15pm,
please use the church intercom system
and the receptionist will buzz you in.



# **Upcoming Meetings**

# November 19<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at <u>First United Methodist Church</u>

Speaker: Christell Yosunni Frausto

**Topic**: Greater Peoria Hispanic Chamber of Commerce **Invocation**: Don Johnson | **Greeter(s)**: Patrick Kirchhofer

Attendance Prize: Patrick Kirchhofer

## NOVEMBER 26th - NO MEETING

# **December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Meeting at First United Methodist Church**

**Club Assembly - Election of Officers** 

Invocation: Jerry Jackson | Greeter(s): John Kelly

Attendance Prize: Nick Vespa

## **December 10<sup>th</sup> - Meeting at First United Methodist Church**

**Speaker:** Anna Chumbley **Topic:** WCBU Radio Changes

Invocation: Janā Stevens | Greeter(s): Nick Vespa

Attendance Prize: Jerry Jackson



# **Upcoming Service Projects**

### **Build A Ramp**

Date: Sat, November 20, 2021

Location: Peoria Time: TBD

**Project Contact: Todd Davis** 

Details: Build a ramp for someone in need. If you would like to volunteer <u>click here</u>, a signup sheet will be available at Friday's meeting or email the office to be added to list.

# **Camp Tapawingo**

Date: Sat, December 4, 2021 Location: 1450 Hickory Point

Rd, Metamora

Time: TBD

Project Contact: Kari Gabbert
Details: Volunteers needed to
help with clean up & brush
clearing for the Camp Tapawingo
trail expansion project. If you
would like to volunteer click here,
a sign-up sheet will be available
at Friday's meeting or email the
office to be added to list.



## 134th Annual Santa Parade

Rotary Downtown and North will again enter our float in the Santa Parade. The 134<sup>th</sup> annual Santa Claus Parade is scheduled to step off at 10:15 a.m. on November 26 (day after Thanksgiving) The parade is the longest continuous running holiday parade in the country. The Grand Marshalls in the parade are the First Responders. (Nurses, Doctors, EMT, Fireman and Police). The parade is televised live on WMBD-TV.

Rotary members, family and friends are invited to walk with the float. (there is not room for people to ride on the float).

Rotary vests will be provided.

The float will be staged on Monroe Street (a block down from the Central Fire Station). The parade will follow their normal route beginning on Monroe St. and ending at the Peoria County Courthouse. You are asked to be at the float by 10:00 AM

# Volunteer Opportunities

# Rotary Club of Peoria

# South Side Mission ~ Christmas 2021

Join forces with South Side Mission to prep and deliver Christmas meals to those in need.

# Meal Prep/Side Dishes

Date: 12/21/21 (Tue.)
Time: 9:00am - 11:00am
Details: Preparing side
dishes (Mashed Potatoes,
Gravy, Green Beans) for
Christmas meal delivery.

Location: South Side Mission - 1127 S Laramie St, Peoria, IL

Face masks are required. Face masks provided.



#### **Meal Plating**

Date: 12/22/21 (Wed.)
Time: 9:00am - 11:00am
Details: Assembly line set
up. Filling to-go containers
(Ham, Mashed Potatoes/
Gravy, Green Beans) for
Christmas meal delivery.

Location: South Side Mission - 1127 S Laramie St, Peoria, IL

Face masks are required. Face masks provided.



#### **Meal Packet Assembly**

Date: 12/22/21 (Wed.)
Time: 9:00am - 11:00am
Details: Assembly line set
up. Creating meal packets
for Christmas delivery.
(Packets: Packaged Meal,
Roll, Cranberries, Slice of
Pumpkin Pie, Utensils)

Location: South Side Mission - 1127 S Laramie St, Peoria, IL

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#### **Meal Delivery Drivers**

Date: 12/24/21 (Fri.)

Times: 8:00am | 8:30am | 9:00am | 9:30am Details: Delivering packaged meals. 1 Signup = 1 Delivery Route - 5 or 6 stops per route. Each Route Consists of Approximately 25 Meals. Location: <u>South Side Mission -</u> 1127 S Laramie St, Peoria, IL

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There are several other volunteer assignments available, to see the full list <u>click here</u>. If you can't get online to sign up, we will have sign-up sheets available at the weekly meeting.

# So You Thought You Knew the History of Retary's Four-Way Test (In 200 words or less!) By Edith Barmard

For our Downtown Peoria Rotary Club, the largest in Illinois, we are guided by The Four Way Test.

How did it begin? In the 1930s, Chicago's Club Aluminum Products distribution company was near bankruptcy. The company's new CEO, Herbert Taylor believed himself to be the only person in the company of 250 employees who had hope. His recovery plan started with changing the ethical climate of the company. He explained: "If the people who worked for Club Aluminum were to think right, I knew they would do right. What we needed was a simple, easily remembered guide to right conduct a sort of ethical yardstick- which all of us in the company could memorize and apply to what we thought, said and did.

I searched through many books for the answer to our need, but the right phrases eluded me. So, I leaned over my desk, rested my head in my hands and prayed. After a few moments, I looked up and reached for a white paper card. Then I wrote down the twenty-four words that had come to me:

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

I called it "The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do."

First testing it out on himself, Taylor realized that the first question, "Is it the truth?" was barely applied in his business' day-to-day operations. After 60 days, Herbert J. Taylor decided to share those principles with the four department directors of his company. Those four directors validated his principles and rolled it out

company wide.

When studying his advertising statements, Taylor realized how very little could be stated as "truth." So many copywriting adjustments were made to realign the company's messages with a sense of genuine truth. The aggressiveness towards competition was also scrutinized and eliminated.

In the 1940s, when Taylor was an international director of Rotary, he offered the Four Way Test to the organization, and it was adopted by Rotary for its internal and promotional use. Never changed, the twenty-four-word test remains today a central part of the permanent Rotary structure throughout the world and is held as the standard by which all behavior should be measured. Taylor gave Rotary International the right to use the test in the 1940s and the copyright in 1954. He retained the rights to use the test for himself and his Club Aluminum Company. By applying the Four-Way Test, Taylor's company repaid its debts, generously paid its shareholders, and had a healthy financial balance.

For Peoria Rotarians who travel internationally, it is such an inspiration and comfort to walk into an English-speaking club in Bali, Barbados, Switzerland, China, Switzerland and more, to see the Four Way Test displayed on the wall. We are reminded that Rotary spreads its "Service Above Self" message to the world.



"Writers Sought for So You Thought You Knew" ~ "Sought" by Edie Barnard

Rotarians, You are cordially invited to take over writing my Green Light column, "So You Thought You Knew!". As you know, I have been on hiatus since last June. Melissa has kindly been delving into my Archives and choosing articles to place in the Green Light. I love seeing which column she has chosen when the Green Light arrives. I plan to write an occasional column and look forward to reading the ones that our new columnist will write. What a joyous eight years I've had "Getting to know you" this way!!! Look forward to hearing from you. Please contact me at (309) 922-9058 or Edith@BarnardCommunications.com

#### Club Officers

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