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No Club Meeting this Friday in lieu of the holiday.

**HAPPY
 THANKSGIVING**

Christell Yosunni Frausto & Cesar Suarez Greater Peoria Hispanic Chamber of Commerce



GREATER PEORIA
HISPANIC
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

"The mission of the Greater Peoria Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is to grow commerce, community, and culture for Latinos in Greater Peoria". The Chair of the GPHCOC is Christell Yosunni Frausto, who spoke to Peoria Rotarians on Friday, she was joined by Chamber Secretary, Cesar Suarez. The goal of the Hispanic Chamber is to assist the community's business development. They offer startup,

financial and technical assistance to the Hispanic community.

For example, Christell Yosunni Frausto saw Monica Henderson of the Peoria Health Department speak at Rotary. Frausto was able to get Health Department documents translated into Spanish, so vendors at soccer games, for example, could be health department compliant. But it is not all about business.

Frausto says officially the Hispanic population may be about six percent, but she believes that eighty percent of the Hispanic population are undocumented and so go uncounted. So, along with helping businesses, the GPHCOC works to mentor and advocate as well.

Cesar Suarez said the Chamber serves in other ways and was able to assist in getting ten businesses loans of \$10,000 each during Covid. Suarez says it is not just helping businesses but helping to create leaders within the Hispanic community.



**For More Information
 Click Here**

Youth Exchange Program



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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 **August 2022 & July 2023**.

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 [First United Methodist Church](#). *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.

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
PATIENCE AND
UNDERSTANDING

Upcoming Meetings

NOVEMBER 26th - NO MEETING

**December 3rd - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)
Club Assembly - Election of Officers**

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

Attendance Prize: Nick Vespa

December 10th - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)

Speaker: Anna Chumbley

Topic: WCBU Radio Changes

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

Attendance Prize: Jerry Jackson

December 17th - Meeting at [First United Methodist Church](#)

Holiday Party

Special Performance By: The Morton Madrigals

Invocation: John Kelly | **Greeter(s):** Janā Stevens

Attendance Prize: Janā Stevens

Holiday Social

Date: Wed, December 1, 2021

Time: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Location: J.K. Williams Distilling
8635 N Industrial Rd, Peoria, IL

Details: Event will be held in the Tasting Room with catering by The Untamed Chef
Members Free | Guests: \$15.00 Per Person

If you would like to attend [click here](#) to RSVP by email. A sign up sheet will also be available at Friday's meeting.

Upcoming Service Projects

Camp Tapawingo

Date: Sat, December 4, 2021

Location: [1450 Hickory Point Rd, Metamora](#)

Time: 9:00AM

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.

Volunteer Opportunities



134th Annual Santa Parade

Rotary Downtown and North will again enter our float in the Santa Parade. The 134th 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

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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](#)

Face masks are required.
Face masks provided.



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: [South Side Mission - 1127 S Laramie St, Peoria, IL](#)

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There are several other volunteer assignments available, to see the full list [click here](#). If you can't get online to sign up, we will have sign-up sheets available at the weekly meeting.

Member Announcements

Last Friday during the weekly meeting, the Rotary Club of Peoria presented the following members with their Paul Harris Certificates / Pins.

John Crawford and Chris Crawford

Congratulations!



From left to right: John Crawford and Chris Crawford

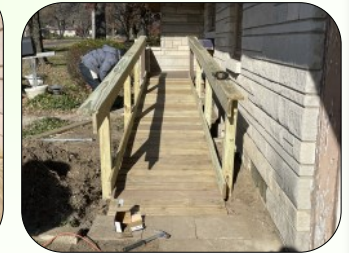
"Writers Sought for So You Thought You Knew" "Sought" by Edie Barnard

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

Build A Ramp - Service Project

Peoria Rotarians Todd Davis, Chuck Gabbert, Dr. John Hart, Tom McIntyre, Brad Stegall and Ken Silverthorn built a ramp on Sat. November 17th, 2021 for a local man who has trouble walking and uses a wheelchair to get around. Advocates for Access provided the materials, however there wasn't enough lumber to complete the project. So Rotarian Todd Davis went above and beyond by providing enough lumber so they could build the middle rail on the ramp. Chuck Gabbert, who took some of the pictures of the couple in East Peoria said: "Made me smile. I stood up there and talked hunting, sunshine and breezes with him. It will make the wife's life easier too! It's a good thing." A long day but one that ended with a new ramp for the local man.



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