



The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*

Fellowship – Understanding – Service - Ethics

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Opening

Bill Shanklin's Thought for the Day was based on a question frequently asked of him: Why is he so involved in the community? His response came from his membership experience in Rotary. Terry Elliott asked him to become a Rotarian and that led to Larry Carroll asking Bill to become involved in student programs at Elmhurst Univ., Mary Beth Harper asking Bill to join the Elmhurst Public Library Board, Ken Bartels asking Bill to become involved with various civic boards/committees, etc. For Bill Shanklin, being a Rotarian means a great deal.

Art Pitz had the winning split-the-pot ticket. Although the card he drew was the right suit, the ten of clubs was no King. More money for Polio eradication!

Finemaster Bill asked us questions about the Rotary wheel emblem that most of us could not answer. The first wheel was used in 1905, and has undergone numerous changes: 1905 was Dust in Motion, 1922 was a unified design of 24 teeth, 6 spokes and three bands, and 1923 saw blue and yellow adopted for Rotary's colors. The decision to add a keyway to the hub was a huge controversy. (What goes around, comes around?) In sum, Rotary trivia added nicely to the club's coffers today.

Brian Bergheger was in the process of being heckled as a 'guest' when our president astutely pointed out that Bob Howard really should be the one being roasted for missing so many meetings. Bob's only recourse was 'mea culpa' (he knows a good lawyer).

Program

Amy Funk and Remy Sheehan of the Three Pillars Initiative (TPI) described the program begun in the Oak Park-River Forest area in 2010 to prepare the next generation of philanthropic leaders. The

program provides learning experiences for high school juniors and seniors in fundraising, grantmaking and volunteering (the 3 pillars). Prospective members are selected from applications and interviews and must agree to a full two-year commitment. Juniors concentrate on grantmaking while seniors concentrate on fundraising.

TPI has several other locations and is looking to start a group of 25 to 30 in Elmhurst. About \$25,000 is needed to start (with \$10,000 already promised) as well as a part time program administrator and four mentors. Donations will be housed in a dedicated account at the DuPage Foundation.

Club attendees today were given a three-page list of questions and answers about the program.

Announcements

Board Meeting next Wednesday: 5 pm, EP Library.

Butterfly Awareness project news:
500 seed packets have been ordered for the Butterfly Bingo game.

Hosts are needed for housing 4 Monterrey, MX Rotarians Sept. 15-21 in a Rotary Exchange program.

A Rotary club in Mexico would offer to host a group for the ceremonies in Mexico.

NEEDED: 4 host families in Elmhurst or nearby, and Someone to Plan the Sept. 15 Pollinator Pledge at the boxcar.

Butterfly Awareness committee meeting: 11:00 next Thursday (7/21) just ahead of the club meeting.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- 7-21 Business meeting
7-28 Classification Talk &/or Grant Recipient

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

- 7-21 Frank Troost
7-28 Ken Bartels

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF ELMHURST meets for lunch at 12:00 noon at the *Elmhurst Public Library, 125 S. Prospect Avenue*, Elmhurst, followed by a program ending at 1:30pm. **On the 1st & 2nd Thursdays, the club provides lunch. Bring Your Own Lunch on 3rd, 4th, & 5th Thursdays.** Note: if you forget to bring a lunch on those days, the BrewPoint Coffee bar, located inside the Library, has a limited supply of snacks and drinks in addition to coffee.
--Reminder: Bring your own beverage for lunch.

THE FOUR WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

- No. 5: "Is it any fun"? [Ted Arey]

"Rotary International is the world's leading humanitarian service organization", Cliff Lyda, Past Pres. of Elmhurst Rotary & Past District 6450 Governor.

Bring a Lunch next Thursday, July 21.

21: The number of Rotarians at today's meeting

Wear your Rotary pin! You will keep from being fined by the likes of Bill Shanklin and also find some good conversation in an otherwise "Who are you?" moment.

Your editor was attending his spouse's high school reunion last weekend (no, I'm not revealing what number it was) and was pleasantly surprised when a fellow Rotarian from Pocahontas, Iowa (no, I'm not making this up—it's the county seat of Pocahontas County in NW Iowa) asked about the Rotary pin he was wearing. Pocahontas has a small Rotary club—eight members---but among other accomplishments, has sponsored a Rotary Scholar who spent a year studying in Australia. Even small Rotary clubs can make a big difference.

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