



The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*
Fellowship – Understanding – Service - Ethics
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KING OF CLUBS DRAWN TODAY!

Greg St. Laurent's ticket was pulled out of the fishbowl today and then, with aplomb, Greg beat the one-in-six odds and drew the king of clubs and held it high for everyone to see... The exact amount of the pot was not available at press time but the prevailing thought was that Greg's share will be slightly over \$1,500. The rest will go to Polio Plus, Rotary's efforts to eradicate Polio in the world, and it will be doubly matched by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Today's drawing will thus generate over \$4,500 for Rotary's effort to end Polio.

We welcomed Sarah Ankunda, guest of Charlie Laliberte.

Thought for the Day: The bad news is that time flies. The good news is that you're the pilot.

Marilyn Boria fined everyone \$5 and then gave a dollar credit for positive answers to the following:

- Have you been fine master in the last 3 months?
- Have you volunteered at a club project in the last 6 months?
- Are you on the Fundraiser committee?
- Have you been a speaker or arranged for one in the last 3 months?
- Are you the chair of a club committee?

New Member: Al Spada officially became a Rotarian today. Congratulations, Al.

Rachael Mason was presented her Rotary pin today and encouraged to wear it every day. Good things happen when you wear your Rotary pin!

Bob Villiard encouraged those planning to volunteer for the May 13 UCCA food truck distribution event to consider ordering a *Rotarian at Work* shirt. Let Bob know this week if you want one and he will place the order. Cost: \$20.

Dan Kunesh reminded us that applications for our Service Above Self scholarship are due March 17.

Fundraiser

Get the photographs and written descriptions of the auction item you are donating for the fundraiser to Mary Beth by next Thursday (March 9).

It's settled: The event to close the Fundraiser (auction and raffle) will be from 5:50 to 8:30 at Bottle Theory, 542 S. Spring Road, March 31. A variety of tacos will be available to members at no charge but the bar will be on a cash basis. Guests are encouraged but there will be a \$15 charge for nonmembers at the event which will be added to the quarterly membership statement received by the member inviting the guest. (For example, if I bring 2 guests, my quarterly statement will include an additional \$30.). If you missed the signup sheet, email Brian or Mary Beth.

Program: Two Weeks in Uganda

Novella (Novi) Ferreri, executive director of Children-Up (C-Up), gave us a visual presentation of her trip to Uganda.

Novi described ChildrenUp's mission of underwriting education for rural students in northern Uganda and thanked Rotary for our club's support since 2007. ChildrenUp is supporting 41 students in secondary boarding schools, having added ten students in 2022. Because of the long distances, boarding school is the only practical way for rural students to attend school. On-site teachers are used to mentor C-Up students. Another nine students are in post-secondary programs. ChildrenUp, founded by Charlie Laliberte, initially supported two students and now has touched 81 lives including a newly graduated medical doctor. Charlie, who accompanied Novi for the annual on-site review, attended a Rotary meeting in Kampala. He also toured a new blood bank there, built by local and other African Rotarians.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- 3-9 John McKinnon, Elmhurst Art Museum
- 3-16 Business meeting
- 3-23 Fundraiser website goes live

Finer-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY-

- 3-9 Garry Vaccaro

3-16 Brian Bergheger
 3-23 Marilyn Kosik

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President Mary Beth Harper
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<u>Member</u>	<u>Spouse</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Alexander, Don	Jody	Retired
Bartels, Ken	Marge	Civic Leader
Bergheger, Brian	Carol Doyle	Retired-Museum Director
Boria, Marilyn	Phil	Retired-Library Director
Cahill, Valerie	Hal	Risk Mgmt. Director-YMCA
Carroll, Larry	Carlotta	Post-Secondary Education
Clohessy, Jim	Vanessa	Accounting-Small Business
Gorski, Maryann	Ron	Resident Artist
Harper, Mary Beth	Jim	Library Director
Hill, Collin	Megan	Retail Jewelry
Hostetler, Harry	Marie	Retired-Manufacturer
Howard, Bob	Karen	Law
Kopecky, Rob	Cheryl	Retired Photographer
Kosik, Marilyn		Residential Real Estate
Kunesh, Dan	Paula	Industrial Supply Distribution
Laliberte, Charlie	Betty	Education-Children UP-Uganda
Libovicz, Elaine		Retired-City Treasurer
Lyman, Bill	Linda	Retired-Railway Management
Mason, Rachael		Business Services – Pub. Library
McKenna, Dave	Tammy	Home Construction
Mehta, Shazad		Auto Repair Service
Merrill, C. J.	Alice	Retired-Music Educator
Nichele, Joe	Kelly	Attorney
Nilles, Joe		Property Management
Pitz, Arthur	Suzanne	Retired-International Relations
Robinson, Jody	John	Financial Planner
Sakash, Bill		Retired-Industrial Distribution
Shanklin, Bill		Retired-Packaging

Slone, Joyce	Russ Weigand	Commercial Real Estate
St. Laurent, Greg	Brenda Lee	Retired-Packaging
Studebaker, Scott	Mary	Healthcare Development
Sukowicz, Mark	Joan	Accounting
Troost, Frank	Patricia	Retired-Monument Company
Turnbough, Eli		Funeral Director
Tyburnski, Susan	Paul Wcisel	Hospital Development
Vaccaro, Garry	Debra	Warm Coats for Cool Kids
Villiard, Bob	Becky	Retired-International Logistics
Weigel, Joe	Aileen	Commercial Lending

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 and ending by 1:30pm. **Lunch is catered except for a beverage.** The BrewPoint Coffee bar, located just inside the Library, has a limited supply of drinks in addition to coffee *your way*.

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.

Rotarians at today's meeting: 19

Did you see the article in the March Rotarian Magazine about fellow Rotarian and Retired Army colonel Chris Kolenda's 1,700 mile Fallen Hero Honor Ride?

Also note RI's president elect's Q&A session in the same issue.

Send announcements (and corrections) for next week's F.U.S.E. to wclyman2@gmail.com