



The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*
Fellowship – Understanding – Service – Ethics
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March 9, 2023

Opening

-We welcomed Debra Vaccaro today, guest of Garry.

-Thought for the Day: (1) Great things are done by a series of small things brought together—Van Gogh. (2) Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life—Picasso.

-New member Al Spada received his Rotary pin today from club president Mary Beth Harper. Welcome, Al!

Marilyn Boria's ticket was drawn from the split-the-pot fishbowl today but Marilyn showed little emotion when drawing the six of clubs from the deck. Fifty-one cards are left in the deck but hey, it's for a good cause.

A First? Following the Thought for the Day and leading into today's program topic, Gary Vaccaro's fine session used a digital display of art works, challenging us to name the artist for each display. Some of us would have done a lot worse but Garry helped significantly with multiple choice answers. Still, a good sum was collected.

--Reminder: Service Above Self scholarship applications are due March 17.

--Rachael Mason announced the "Opening or Expanding your Small Business in Elmhurst" day on Thursday, March 16. The event is presented by the City of Elmhurst and the Elmhurst Library and is sponsored by Community Bank of Elmhurst, Innovations DuPage, and Brewpoint Coffee. It's free and a panel of Elmhurst business experts will be on hand to answer questions following a presentation on navigating through regulatory requirements, etc. The program will be followed by a networking session.

Fundraiser

Descriptions and photos of silent auction items are due today. Mary Beth is trying to wrap up the website presentation ASAP. A preliminary glimpse

of the website will be shown at next week's business meeting. The website will go live at our March 23 meeting.

Signup sheets went around today, one for those wishing to attend the Fundraiser closing party at Bottle Theory (542 Spring Road, Elmhurst) from 5:30 to 8:30 March 31 and one for those wishing to add a basket to the silent auction.

Program: Elmhurst Art Museum

Executive director John McKinnon gave us a great update on what's happening at our very own art museum, starting with the cranes & construction work that are installing a new heating, ventilating and air conditioning system for the museum's building. This million-dollar project will provide the proper internal environment for all artwork in the museum, including valuable masterpieces on loan from other sites.

John reminded us that the museum celebrated its 25th anniversary last year and now is solely responsible for the Art in the Park event each spring. This year's theme will be superheroes (think Spiderman, etc.). Last year the show attracted 8-10 thousand visitors, only half of which were from Elmhurst. That's a great draw.

Inside the museum this summer will feature Marvelocity, the Art of Alex Ross. Ross hand paints his work for Marvel, eschewing computer aids. The museum's major fall event will be Picasso 50 Years Later. Thanks, John, for giving us an intriguing view into one of Elmhurst's finer gems.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

3-16 Business meeting & **Fundraiser pre-view**
3-23 Fundraiser website goes live
3-30 Watching the bidding...

Finer-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY-

3-16 Brian Bergeheger
3-23 Marilyn Kosik
3-30 Bill Shanklin

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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 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: 18

Giving to The Rotary Foundation is a good way to do good in the world –and locally as well. Our Rotary District (6450) receives half of every dollar we donate to the Foundation's Annual Fund-share account. The District, in turn, makes half of their amount available to clubs in our district based on what the members of each club collectively gave to the Foundation. Thus, a quarter of every dollar you give to the Foundation comes back to our club in the form of a district grant. For the past several years, our club has used our district grant to help fund the \$16,000 in scholarships we pay out each year. And, in years past, we have obtained matching grant monies from the district (and The Rotary Foundation) for international projects in water and sanitation, education, and small business development. *Rotarians making a difference.*

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

<u>Member</u>	<u>Spouse</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Alexander, Don	Jody	Retired-Finance
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	Attorney
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-Retail Packaging
Studebaker, Scott	Mary	Healthcare Development
Sukowicz, Mark	Joan	Accounting
Troost, Frank	Patricia	Retired-Monument Company
Turnbough, Eli		Funeral Director
Tyburski, Susan	Paul Weisel	Hospital Development
Vaccaro, Garry	Debra	Warm Coats for Cool Kids

