



.The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*
Fellowship – Understanding – Service - Ethics
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February 16, 2023

Opening

Welcome again to Al Spada, Executive Director of the National Council of Structural Engineers Associations. This was Al's third visit to our club.

Thought(s) for the Day: "Success is stumbling from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm," and "A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."
Winston Churchill

The fishbowl burped up Bob Howard's ticket today, and he miraculously drew the 8 of diamonds. **Seven (only 7) cards are left and the Pot holds north of \$2,800; half will go to Polio Plus.**

After last week's finemaster had us singing in multiple keys simultaneously, Greg St. Laurent quietly prepped us with fines for those without a library card, those who have not used their library card recently, and those who have not yet jumped out of an airplane. Then he quizzed us on geography: the state with the longest coastline, the largest lake in the US, the tallest waterfall in the US, the tallest mountain in the US, and the flattest state. Answers: Alaska, Michigan, Yosemite, Denali, & Florida.

Election Slate (second reading):

President: Frank Troost,
President Elect: Marilyn Boria
Secretary: Bob Villiard
Treasurer: Jim Clohessey
Board members: Dave McKenna
Art Pitz
Eli Turnbough
Garry Vaccaro

We will vote next Thursday, Feb.23.

Charlie Laliberte relayed the good news that the Elmhurst Rotaract Club is expecting to receive four (4) new members in the very near future.

Charlie visited the new Rotary sponsored blood bank in Kampala, Uganda recently and will present his findings at our March 2 meeting.

Donations for Turkey-Syria earthquake relief can be made at (rotary6450.org). Also, ShelterBox is already on site and in need of many more tents.

Business Meeting

Our Treasurer, currently covered up with tax returns, sent the club's monthly financials electronically. There was nothing out of the ordinary to report.

Scholarship committee chair Dan Kunesh is seeing a lot of interest in applications for the club's \$16,000 scholarship. Call or email Dan if you want to be on the scholarship committee (kunesh589@gmail.com).

Upcoming service projects include restarting a monthly park clean-up effort, volunteering at the UCCA food distribution (May 13?), and a clothing drive sometime after our fundraiser.

Fundraiser

Mary Beth described progress with the fundraiser website. More auction items are welcome; you should have them ready by the March 9 meeting, including photos and a written description. Brian mentioned plans for the March 31 gathering to close the auction and select the split-the-pot raffle winner. The committee is nearing a decision on the venue where we will enjoy appetizers and a cash bar on 3/31 from 5 to 7 pm.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

2-23 Heather Bereckis- Elmhurst Business Devel. Mgr.
3-2 Charlie Laliberte- Rotary Blood Bank in Uganda
Finer-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY-

2-23 Rob Kopecky
3-2 Joe Nilles
3-9 Garry Vaccaro

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Imagine Rotary

Rotary International President

Jenifer Jones - Canada

District 6450 District Governor

Ade Onayemi- Oak Park-River Forest

Rotary Club of Elmhurst Officers

President	Mary Beth Harper
President-Elect	Frank Troost
Secretary	Bob Villiard
Treasurer	Jim Clohessy
Past-President	Brian Bergheger
Directors	Marilyn Boria
	Bill Sakash
	Joe Nichele
	Eli Turnbough

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 (plus one soon-to-be member)

Did you know? Elmhurst Rotary's involvement in Rotary Foundation Global Grants got started when a member of the Monterrey, Mexico Rotary club saw the Rotary pin being worn by an Elmhurst Rotarian.

The freshness of the bread in **Corner Bakery's sandwiches** at our Thursday meetings is delightful.

Rotarians become a **Paul Harris Fellow** by donating a cumulative total of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation. However, once a member has contributed their first \$500, our club recognizes that commitment by donating 500 Paul Harris Points from the club's account and presto, a new Paul Harris Fellow is created.

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
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
Tyburski, Susan	Paul Weisel	Hospital Development

