



The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*

## **Fellowship – Understanding – Service – Ethics**

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**January 25, 2024**

**Thought for the Day**, from fellow Rotarian Dolly Parton: “The way I see it, if you want the rainbow you gotta put up with the rain.”

**Polio Plus:** For the second time in three meetings, Bill Shanklin’s ticket number came out of the fishbowl. Bill drew the three of diamonds from the deck, no better than the 7 of clubs he drew last time. Thirty cards remain in the deck.

**Fine Session:** Bill Lyman had one (\$5.00) question for the fine session today: What do the White House, The Willis (Sears) Tower, Dodger Stadium and the Empire State Building have in common? Answer: Each has its own zip code. Four sub-questions revealed that the White House has 35 *bathrooms*, The Sears Tower was completed in 1973, Dodger Stadium has hosted 147 million baseball fans, and the Empire State Building was completed in 1931 when President Herbert Hoover pushed a switch to turn on the building’s lights. **ZIP** code? It’s the **Zoning Improvement Plan**.

**Fundraiser:** President-elect Marilyn began the meeting by announcing that the **Fundraiser Finale will be April 11** at a local watering hole to be determined.

Continuing a successful run of the club’s virtual fundraiser format, the club will ask members to:

1. Donate items (with photos and written descriptions) to the virtual silent auction,
2. Buy raffle tickets at the on-line website,
3. Donate to the club’s scholarship (which funds four years at \$4,000 per year),
4. Furnish five names to the committee, with email addresses, that the committee will then send invitations to the fundraiser’s website and,
5. Bid on auction items, buy raffle tickets, or donate to the Elmhurst Rotary Charitable Trust, which is tax-deductible.

The date to begin bidding on the silent auction items and buying raffle tickets will be announced later

along with other details. Attending the casual Finale Thursday, April 11, is optional. *Remember, this format saves members from having to buy expensive dinner tickets, money which can be spent on fundraiser for our many good projects.*

The Nominating Committee in the person of Dave McKenna, is back in person and looking for candidates for the president-elect, secretary, and a board member for the 2024-25 Rotary year. Remember, when a Rotarian is asked to do something, the answer is always “**YES**”.

**Program:** The background of ELMHURST LIVING magazine, a community focused, neighborhood magazine established in the fall of 2022, was described by its co-publishers, Brian and Nicky Steinberg. Graduates of Drake University, this team has put their experience in marketing and advertising to work in defining their customers in this upscale market.

Their effort is to connect residents, businesses and community organizations in a way that benefits all concerned. They are building on their experience in establishing of a like publication in Downers Grove, launched out of their basement in 2020. It’s the same format; Brian and Nicky build relationships with small businesses, local families, youth academics and athletics, including local charities and not-for-profits.

Both Brian and Nicky commented on Elmhurst’s sense of community and pride. ELMHURST Living is mailed to residents and available on-line. To get your copy, email [bsteinberg@bestversionmedia.com](mailto:bsteinberg@bestversionmedia.com).

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

02/01 Elmhurst Fire Chief Dick Dufort  
02/08 Dave Oberg, Elmhurst History Museum Meeting  
02/15 Business Meeting

### **FINER-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:**

02/01 Dave McKenna  
02/08 Brian Bergheger  
02/15 Joe Nilles

## ROTARY 2022-2023

### Create Hope in the World

#### Rotary International President

Gordon McInally - Scotland

#### District 6450 District Governor

Connor Gee – Chicago (and Elmhurst)

#### Rotary Club of Elmhurst Officers

President	Frank Troost
President-Elect	Marilyn Boria
Secretary	Bob Villiard
Treasurer	Jim Clohessy
Past-President	Mary Beth Harper
<b>Directors</b>	Dave McKenna
	Art Pitz
	Eli Turnbough
	Garry Vaccaro

Tyburski, 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.

**15:** The number of Elmhurst Rotarians at today's meeting.

**AT TAX TIME:** Nearly all of you should have received a thank you email this month from Rotary International for donating to The Rotary Foundation. Here is how that works: Almost every club member has a \$25 or \$50 amount added to their quarterly dues statement and it's earmarked "Rotary Foundation". Fellow Rotarian and past president Mark Sukowicz keeps track of these donations and sends checks to the Foundation at the end of December and the end of June, showing what each of us has donated to the Foundation.

Don't forget to include those donations as allowable deductions on your federal income tax.

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

<u>Member</u>	<u>Spouse</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Alexander, Don		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
Spada, Al	Beth	Non-Profit Management
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

2023-2024  
ROTARY CLUB OF ELMHURST COMMITTEES

Charitable Trust Fund Committee – Dave McKenna, Chair  
Reviews investments and reports to the membership.

Community Service – Valerie Cahill & Bob Villiard, Co-chairs  
Develops and implements educational and humanitarian projects addressing community needs.

Donations/Grants – Marilyn Boria, Chair  
Develops grant application, reviews grant requests and recommends funding based on the Club's strategic plan.

Fundraising – Mary Beth Harper, Chair  
Organizes activities to raise funds to support the Club's charitable work.

Membership Recruitment and Development,  
Develops and implements a comprehensive plan for the recruitment and retention of members.

Rotary Foundation – Bill Lyman, Chair  
Implements plans to support the Rotary Foundation through financial contributions and program participation.

Scholarships – Dan Kunesch, Chair  
Develops scholarship applications, advertise to local high schools and recommend recipients.

***Article 8 - Committees***

*Section 1 -This club's committees are decided by the Board and appointed by the President.*

*Section 2 - The president is an ex officio member of all committees.*

*Section 3 -Each committee's chair is responsible for the regular meetings and activities of the committee, supervises and coordinates its work, and reports to the board on all committee activities.*

(The previous bylaws included a Membership & Recruitment Committee, a Club Relations Committee, an International Service Committee, a Vocational Service Committee, and a New Generations Committee.)