



The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*
Fellowship – Understanding – Service – Ethics
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March 14, 2024

Visitors: Welcome to Chris Tiedeman, neighbor of Joe Weigel. Joe is inviting friends and neighbors to visit our Rotary meetings (*hint, hint*). We also welcomed Curt Linson for the second week.

Thought for the Day: The only mystery in life is why the kamikaze pilots wore helmets. Two more gems were proffered by Ken Bartels but your scribe was still trying to spell 'kamikaze'...

Polio Plus: Joyce Slone's ticket leapt out of the fishbowl today and her pick of the Ace of clubs was close but no cigar (nor the king of clubs). Forty-eight cards remain in the deck.

District 6450 Polio Plus Society members: Thank you to five Elmhurst Rotarians who have paid their 2023-24 pledge to the Polio Plus Society. Our club's Foundation Chair will be sending a reminder email to the 11 remaining Society members this week.

COD Fuel Pantry luncheon: The Rotary Clubs of Glen Ellyn and Wheaton (noon) are hosting a luncheon celebrating the success of the College of DuPage Fuel Pantry to which our club contributed *half* of the start-up costs. All Elmhurst Rotarians are invited. RI President Gordon McNally will highlight the event.

Please do two things: Save the date (April 12) and let Brian Bergheger know you will be there.
brianbergheger@comcast.net

Board meeting: Wednesday, March 20, 5pm at EPL.

Next Thursday: Business Meeting and election of the club's 2024-25 officers. The slate:

President: Marilyn Boria
 Pres.-elect: Greg St. Laurent
 Secretary: Joe Weigel
 Treasurer: Jim Clohessy
 Past Pres.: Frank Troost
 Directors: Al Spada
 Dave McKenna (continuing)
 Art Pitz (continuing)
 Garry Vaccaro (continuing)

Email addresses needed: Send email addresses of prospective bidders and split-the-pot ticket buyers to Al Spada (alfred.t.spada@gmail.com). Cast a wide net: friends, family, work associates, and especially, in-laws. If we don't ask them, we won't get the contributions.
AND: send your silent auction items to Mary Beth. Yes, she'll still take your descriptions even tho their past due.

Other news: Elmhurst Rotarians will be helping unpack and distribute food pantry items at Churchville School at 9:15 am Saturday, April 13.
 -Tomorrow is the last day to apply for our club's four-year scholarship (at \$4,000 per year).
 -We were saddened to learn that the Rotary Club of Bensenville has voted to disband.

Program: Introduced by Dave McKenna, Assist. City Manager Kent Johnson thanked Dave, quipping that those words were kinder than he expected. Kent quizzed us on city trivia, passing out trinkets for the closest guess for the miles of streets in Elmhurst (150), the number of trees in our parkways (22,000), the miles of water mains (184), etc.
 -Kent explained that water delivery and water treatment costs were increasing rapidly due to a lag in price adjustments during COVID and to government mandated wastewater treatment requirements. A typical residential water bill will increase by \$33 or \$34 a month.
 -As requested by residents, a French Market will appear soon on Sundays in the Elmhurst Library employee parking lot at Prospect and Park Avenues.
 -The cost for a new Elmhurst's train station has doubled, awaiting approvals from Union Pacific, Metra, and IDOT.
 -Filming for a TV show is taking place today and tomorrow at Addison and 2nd streets.
 -Elmhurst is implementing an automated permitting process for remodeling, new construction, etc., doing away with cumbersome hand-written forms.
 -Thanks, Kent, for an action packed presentation.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

3/21 Business meeting – officer election.
 3/28

FINER-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

3/21 Art Pitz
 3/28 Bill Lyman

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
Directors	Dave McKenna
	Art Pitz
	Eli Turnbough
	Garry Vaccaro

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
Tyburski, Susan	Paul Weisel	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 Aray]

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

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

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		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
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

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 Kunesh, 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.)