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## June 19, 2025

**Thought for the Day:** "The making of a great ship-handler is never getting into situations that require great ship-handling." Admiral Ernest King

**Polio Plus:** One of Curt Linson's tickets was pulled from the fishbowl and Curt's queen of clubs got about as close to the winning card as he could get.

Fine Session: Club members present today mostly got the name of today's federal holiday correct. Not everyone, however, got the significance of the day, the anniversary of news of the Emancipation Proclamation signed in 1863. That news finally got to Galveston via the Union Army on June 19, 1865, giving Texas slaves their freedom.

Also fined for details about the summer solstice, we learned that Chicago will have 15 hours and 13 minutes of daylight tomorrow, ending at 9:42 pm.

## **Announcements**

Rotary, the King of (service) clubs, has a new member as Woj Wojcik was inducted into the club today by President Marilyn.

Rob Kopecky displayed large, superb photos of our scholarship recipients who were with us last week.

President Marilyn reminded us that there will be no meeting July 3. Installation of new officers and directors will be a simple affair at the July 10 regular club meeting. A more fun-filled sociable event will follow later in July. First thoughts include using the Hub at Berens Park with food, beverage, games and socializing as highlights. This 'Summer Social' still needs some coordinated planning. Please contact Greg or Marilyn to work on this party. We need your help.

Elmhurst Rotary has entered a team in the Chicago Triathlon Saturday, August 23. This is our second

Fundraiser for the year and is dedicated to supporting our club's scholarship awards. We need a chair for this to assist with Greg and Frank.

## **Business Meeting**

The Board of Directors recently voted to change the governing structure for the Elmhurst Rotary Charitable Trust Fund (ERCTF) to provide for better management oversight of ERCTF funds. The board has since learned that the Trust must be amended per the original 1992 Trust Fund agreement. The attached document (p.3) entitled AMENDMENT NO. 2 states the proposed amendment to ARTICLE V, Section 1. By vote of the board of directors on June 18 and by vote of the club today, the amendment was approved. The prior wording of Article V, Section 1, is also attached (p.4).

Under Article I of the Trust Agreement, the term of the Trust is five years, renewable for additional periods of time not to exceed five years by approval of the Elmhurst Rotary Club. The Board recommended a five-year renewal of the Trust and the club voted approval today.

The Rotary Club of Elmhurst's current bylaws also require an amendment, as explained in the third attachment to this newsletter (the 'Proposed Bylaws Change', p.5). The club's Board of Directors recommends that the club approve the proposed change to Article 8, Section 1, of its bylaws. A vote by the club is scheduled for the July 10 meeting (one week before the next business meeting).

The club's May 31st Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Budget Performance (as of May 31) are on pp. 6 & 7.

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

6/26 Jennifer Veremis, Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce

7/3 NO MEETING

7/10 Eli Turnbow, How funerals have changed & 2025-26 club officer installation

#### FINER-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

6/26 C J Merrill 7/3 no meeting 7/10 Joe Nilles

## **ROTARY 2024-2025**

The Magic of Rotary

**Rotary International President** 

Stephanie A. Urchick - McMurray, PA

**District 6450 District Governor** 

Rachael Ossyra – Aurora United

### **Rotary Club of Elmhurst Officers**

President Marilyn Boria
President-Elect Greg St. Laurent
Secretary Joe Weigel
Treasurer Jim Clohessy
Past-President Frank Troost
Directors Al Spada
Dave McKenna

C. J. Merrill
Garry Vaccaro

<u>Member</u> **Classification Spouse** Bartels, Ken Civic Leader Marge 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 Resident Artist Ron Harper, Mary Beth Library Director Jim Retail Jewelry Hill, Collin Megan Hostetler, Harry Retired-Manufacturer Marie Kopecky, Rob Retired Photographer Cheryl Kosik, Marilyn Residential Real Estate Kunesh, Dan Paula Industrial Supply Distribution Laliberte, Charlie Betty Education-Children UP-Uganda Libovicz, Elaine Retired-City Treasurer Retired-Packaging Linson, Curt Nancy Lyman, Bill Retired-Railway Management Linda Mandarino, Tony Christine Retired - Business Consultant Marcucci, Tom Mimi Former Mayor Business Services - Pub. Library Mason, Rachael McKenna, Dave Tammy Home Construction Mehta, Shazad Auto Repair Service Merrill, C. J. Alice Retired-Music Educator Nichele, Joe Attorney Kelly **Property Management** Nilles, Joe Retired-International Relations Pitz, Arthur Suzanne Financial Planner Robinson, Jody John Retired-Industrial Distribution Sakash, Bill Shanklin, Bill Retired-Packaging Slone, Joyce Russ Weigand Commercial Real Estate Non-Profit Management Spada, Al Beth St. Laurent, Greg Brenda Lee Retired-Retail Packaging Studebaker, Scott Healthcare Development Mary Sukowicz, Mark Joan Accounting Troost, Frank Retired-Monument Company Patricia

**Funeral Director** 

Turnbough, Eli

Tyburski, Susan Vaccaro, Garry Debra Warm Coats for Cool Kids
Weigel, Joe Aileen Retired - Commercial Lending
Wojcik, Woj Aga Barnak Financial Planning

**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 by1:30pm. **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.

11: The number of Elmhurst Rotarians in attendance today.

Of no special interest: Just over two and a half inches of rain fell on North Myrtle Avenue in Elmhurst overnight. It's April in June...

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

## AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE ELMHURST ROTARY CHARITABLE TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, on June 30, 1992, the Elmhurst Rotary Club, a charitable not-for-profit organization ("Grantor"), and the current president of the Rotary Club, together with four (4) individuals who served as immediate past presidents of such Club (collectively referred to as "Trustees") entered into the Elmhurst Rotary Scholarship Trust Fund Agreement.

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2011, the Trustees of the Elmhurst Rotary Scholarship Trust Fund changed the name from the Elmhurst Rotary Scholarship Trust Fund to the Elmhurst Rotary Charitable Trust Fund.

WHEREAS, the Grantor and current Trustees desire to amend said Trust Agreement and the particulars are herein set forth.

1. ARTICLE V, Section 1 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The composition of the Trustees shall be three members of the Rotary Club of Elmhurst appointed by the President with the approval of the Board. Trustee appointments shall be made using the procedure defined in the By-Laws of the Rotary Club of Elmhurst. Trustees will meet at least once a year and report quarterly to the Club on the Charitable Trust. Any Trustee may resign at any time by giving thirty (30) days advance written notice specifying the effective date of their resignation to the Grantor, the Rotary Club of Elmhurst. Further, the Grantor shall then be obligated to replace the resigning Trustee with another member of the Club who is willing to accept the position as Trustee.

2. That is all other respects and except as expressly amended hereby, the Trust is hereby declared to be in full force and effect.

The undersigned does hereby accept the foregoing Amendment No. 2 to the Elmhurst Rotary Charitable Trust dated June 30, 1992 as the day of the year first above written:

Trustee	Trustee	
Trustee	Trustee	
President of the Board of the Elmhurst Rotary Club as Grantor		

## Elmhurst Rotary Charitable Trust - current Article V, Section 1

## Article V

1. The composition of the Co-Trustees of the Trust shall be the current acting President of the Elmhurst Rotary Club together with the four past holders of such office. At the conclusion of the term of the currently acting President, he shall become the first predecessor to the office of the President, and the then acting Trustee who was the Fourth predecessor to such office will terminate his position as Trustee hereunder. Any Trustee may resign at anytime by giving thirty (30) days advance written notice specifying the effective date of his resignation to the Grantor, the Elmhurst Rotary Club. The Grantor shall be then obligated to replace such resigning Trustee with one of the former Presidents of the Elmhurst Rotary Club who is willing to accept the position of Trustee.

## **Proposed Bylaws Change**

In case the President does not want to serve on the Charitable Trust Committee, it is recommended that the Board consider the following amendment to the current bylaws. The rules for changing the bylaws are as follows:

Article 11
Amendments

These bylaws may be amended at any regular club meeting. Changing the club bylaws requires sending written notice to each member 21 days before the meeting, having a quorum present for the vote, and having two-thirds of the votes support the change. Changes to these bylaws must be consistent with the Standard Rotary Club Constitution, the RI Constitution and Bylaws, and the Rotary Code of Policies.

## **Current Bylaws**

### Article 8 Committees

Section 1 —This club's committees are decided by the Board and appointed by the President except for the Charitable Trust Fund Investment Committee. That Committee will be composed of the current President, and with Board approval, two club members with proven acumen in financial affairs, appointed by the President.

## PROPOSED CHANGE

## Article 8 Committees

Section 1 - This club's committees are decided by the Board and appointed by the President except for the Charitable Trust Fund Investment Committee. That Committee shall consist of 3 members appointed by the President, with Board approval. These committee members will serve 3-year staggard terms. At least two of the committee members shall have proven acumen in financial affairs.

This information will be in printed in the FUSE and voted on at our business meeting in July.

1:37 PM 06/09/25 Accrual Basis

# Rotary Club of Elmhurst Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison As of May 31, 2025

	May 31, 25	May 31, 24
ASSETS Current Assets		
Checking/Savings Checking - Comm Bank - New 2021	36,941.33	32,392.90
Total Checking/Savings	36,941.33	32,392.90
Accounts Receivable Accounts Receivable	4,950.00	1,920.00
Total Accounts Receivable	4,950.00	1,920.00
Total Current Assets	41,891.33	34,312.90
TOTAL ASSETS	41,891.33	34,312.90
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Other Current Liabilities Accounts Payable - PHF Rotary Angel Fund Split The Pot - New	25.00 2,199.00	901.00 25.00 889.00
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	2,224.00	1,815.00
Total Current Liabilities	2,224.00	1,815.00
Total Liabilities	2,224.00	1,815.00
Equity Retained Earnings Net Income	22,878.40 16,788.93	21,794.90
Total Equity	39,667.33	32,497.90
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	41,891.33	34,312.90

1:41 PM 06/09/25 **Accrual Basis** 

# Rotary Club of Elmhurst Profit & Loss Budget Performance May 2025

	May 25	Budget	Jul '24 - May 25	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income	we record			440.00	120.00
Bank Interest	6.51	10.00	68.29	110.00	4.000.00
District Grant			24.250.00	4,000.00 34,200.00	34,200.00
Dues	150.00	005.00	34,350.00	3,575.00	3.900.00
Income from Fines	480.00	325.00	3,348.00 200.00	100.00	100.00
Initiation Fee	100.00		250.00	100.00	100.00
Installation Dinner			250.00		
Miscellaneous Income	75.00		5,360,00	5.000.00	5.000.00
PHF Income	75.00		300.00	800.00	800.00
Winter Gathering	-25.00	-125.00	-75.00	-500.00	-500.00
Write-offs and Allowances					
Total Income	786.51	210.00	43,801.29	47,285.00	47,620.00
Gross Profit	786.51	210.00	43,801.29	47,285.00	47,620.00
Expense					4 400 00
Assoc Dues - District			4,370.00	4,400.00	4,400.00
Assoc Dues - International			4,052.49	4,000.00	4,000.00 3.220.00
Contributions					4.000.00
Installation Party Expense				500.00	1,000.00
International Conference		4 000 00	40 404 00	14,300.00	15.600.00
Meal Expense	763.50	1,300.00	10,421.00 2,575.00	2.500.00	5,000.00
Paul Harris Foundation Expense	400.00	400.00	4,400.00	4.400.00	4,800.00
Prof Fees - Accounting	400.00	400.00	725.87	1.000.00	1,000.00
Supplies and Expenses	146.00	E0.00	525.00	550.00	600.00
Web Site Expense	50.00	50.00	525.00	4.000.00	4.000.00
Winter Gathering Expense	-			4,000.00	
Total Expense	1,359.50	1,750.00	27,069.36	35,650.00	47,620.00
Net Ordinary Income	-572.99	-1,540.00	16,731.93	11,635.00	-
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