



The Rotary Club of Elmhurst *District 6450*
Fellowship – Understanding – Service - Ethics
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September 12, 2024

Guests: Debbie Mascitti, our Club Advocate a/k/a Assistant District Governor from the Rotary Club of Woodridge.

Thought for the Day: Brian reminded us that, "I, not events, have the power to make me happy or unhappy today. I can choose which it shall be. Yesterday is dead, tomorrow hasn't arrived yet. I have just one day, today, and I'm going to be happy in it." As told by that great philosopher, Groucho Marx.

Polio Plus: Marilyn Kosik had her ticket drawn from the fishbowl today. Picking the 7 of Hearts was as close as she got to winning the Pot of Gold.

Fine Session: Brian came up with trivia questions about Sports, History, Business and the Weather. It was kind of like auditioning for Who Wants to be a Millionaire, only without the Phone-a-Friend option.

Program

Today we had our annual visit from the District Governor. D.G. Rachel Ossyra is a member of the Rotary Club of Aurora United. She started out with a quote from Paul Harris, himself. Mr. Harris said, "Rotary needs to be both evolutionary and revolutionary at all times." In other words, we need to be open to change while honoring the values we were founded on, finding a balance between continuity and change.

D.G. Ossyra showed us how Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick came up with this year's theme "The Magic of Rotary" when she saw the look on two boys faces when they saw clean, potable water coming out of a newly installed water filter. They thought it was magic! She also introduced us to District

6450's unofficial theme, "Let's make Rotary Simply Irresistible."
Membership is down since the pandemic. In order to increase membership each club needs to have a purpose and identity. We must make service opportunities that make a difference available to our members. Meetings must be enjoyable. (We do a good job of this). And we must strive for a culture of inclusivity.
D.G. Ossyra said that Rotary needs to strengthen and grow our youth programs. One of her earlier club visits was with our very own Interact Club. She was very impressed and couldn't believe all the good that such a small group was doing.
Finally, she reminded us all that "People of Action can make Magic Happen!" That's us!!!

News and Announcements

There will be a Board Meeting next Wednesday, September 18th at 5pm in the Conference upstairs at the EPL.

We are in need of Programs for October 31st and November 7th. Let Marilyn or Brian know if you have any thoughts. Thank you.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

9/19 Business Meeting
9/26 TBD
10/3 TBD
10/10 Bill Sakash's Far East Travelogue

FINER-THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

9/19 Art Pitz
9/26 Dave McKenna
10/3 Frank Troost
10/10 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

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
Tyburnski, 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.

21: The number of Rotarians in attendance today (many of whom donned their Paul Harris Fellow pins for the day). Good job.

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
Linson, Curt	Nancy	Retired-Packaging
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