



FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2021 ~ IN-PERSON/YOU-TUBE CLUB MEETING

PLEDGE – Sarah Billmeyer | FOUR WAY PACT - Glenn Szurgot | INVOCATION – Jack Lucas

GUESTS



Tim Lloyd Cohagen, Illinois Internet Advertising, was a guest of the club invited by Mike Ericksen. Jazmine Constantino, Business Operations Manager with the Windy City Bulls, our speaker.

ROTARY GOOD NEWS



- 1) With wild polio contained to just 2 countries, the polio program's new strategy to eradicate the virus integrates vaccination campaigns with other basic health services to reach every child <https://twitter.com/EndPolioNow/status/1417193530213208064>.
- 2) Rotary Elgin donated funds to support essential work in Nepal to assist their battle against the desperate situation caused by Covid. <https://twitter.com/RotaryElgin/status/1417577839289847809>
- 3) "I believe they speak to the heart of our program and I hope you are as proud as I am about the success of our students. The fact that the students who graduated from high school in 2016 are 7 times the national graduation rate of 10% in 6 years speaks volumes. This would not be possible without your support and advice throughout our journey as a new organization. We have accomplished much but there is still more work to do." Nancy Robb -- **Excel Beyond 211 Dollars for Scholars**® (EB211) is dedicated to mentoring and providing financial information and opportunities to select students who are graduating or have graduated from Palatine, William Fremd, James B. Conant, Schaumburg, and Hoffman Estates High Schools. EB211 invests in college-ready, first-generation students from low-income families, aiming to increase their college successes and completion rates. Excel Beyond 211 Dollars for Scholars® helps these students achieve their educational goals by providing a one-to-one adult mentor to assist each EB211 scholar and by identifying and providing scholarship opportunities. ([Click here for More info](#)) ([Click here for Video](#) 5:02 to 5:52)

HAPPY DOLLARS



Nanette S. is happy to have a new mentee and that Vince and Barb S. attended the show *Magic in the Air* that she performed in.

Jack L. attended his first makeup meeting since the start of the pandemic – Rotary Elgin recently held their second in-person meeting.

Bruce D. was glad Holly was in attendance (albeit late) because he had brought his WINGS backpack to pass on.

Jim Mc gave \$29 happy dollars...and Bonnie Mc gave another \$29 happy dollars...in celebration of their 58th wedding anniversary. *Congratulations, you two love birds!*

Allen G. is proud of his daughters' job anniversaries and advancements. Daughter Emily's company just signed a contract with Rotary International.

Ted G. had to buy new shorts before the meeting because the pair he purchased in May are now *too big!*

Holly F. was proud to announce the formation of an Interact Club at Conant High School. And she was visiting the VanGogh exhibit downtown Friday afternoon.



PAUL HARRIS



Jim McC presented Jack Lucas with his Paul Harris + Seven pin. *Congratulations, Jack!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Holly F. reminded everyone to sell vacation drawing tickets. Momentum is picking up with 330 tickets turned in to date. She suggested a marketing initiative – drop a letter explaining the vacation raffle in your neighbors’ mailboxes a few days prior to approaching them. Tom G. said the club’s PO Box address is on the back on the ticket stub, so people can mail it in. Gayle V. said any ticket turned in can be traced back to the person who sold it.

Brian Berg is now able to process Club (not Foundation) payments during club in-person meetings using Square.

Sarah B. announced The Children’s Advocacy Center Emerging Leaders’ *Party in the Park* event on Saturday, August 21 from 1-5pm at the CAC in Hoffman Estates. The family friendly outdoor event will feature bags tournament, live music, food, kids activities, silent auction and split the pot raffle. Our club will have a vendor table and volunteers are needed – 12:30-3 or 3-5:30 shifts.

Sarah B. also announced a Community Service Committee meeting via Zoom on July 29 at 4:30pm. More committee members are needed; email Sarah for the Zoom link.

Tom G. encouraged ALL to subscribe to our club’s You Tube account – use this link - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuA5aBXCbnv9D9JTBzmraw>

QUEEN OF DIAMONDS



The spin landed on Nancy Redmon’s name. Nancy chose #13 that revealed the Six of Hearts. Sorry, Nancy. Pot rolls over – it is ~ \$4,000.

FUN & FROLIC FINE MASTER ~ Allen Gabe



Late – no pin – no badge. No guest at your table. No sold vacation drawing tickets.

Did not reach out to a fellow Rotarian.

Vince S. for a derogatory remark about the Fine Master.

Anyone not signed up to attend the Boomers Game...plus all who signed up too quickly because that left no spot for Allen and Chris.

If you did not turn in your WINGS backpack...and anyone who did not participate.

Anyone who is not a multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

Rotarian who turned into Chandler’s with a cell phone in her hand while driving her new car.

If you applauded when Nancy R’s card did not reveal the Queen of Diamonds.

PROGRAM ~ Jazmine Constantino (Windy City Bulls)



Jazmine has been in minor league basketball for eight years, starting out in Des Moines, IA before coming to Chicago/Hoffman Estates.

The Windy City Bulls are members of the G League and a feeder team to the Chicago Bulls. The G League is a partnership with Gatorade...hence the ‘G’ – it started out as the ‘D’ League. They play at the NOW Arena (formerly called the Sears Center) in western Hoffman Estates.



Two new international teams are joining the G League – Mexico City and The Elite Team (a program that does not require playing one year of college basketball prior to auditioning for a professional team).

Windy City Bulls is celebrating its 5th year and are launching their *We are Back* program after a year away due to the pandemic. They play 24 home games from November to March. Jazmine donated a give-away bag that will be given next week to the person whose name is chosen by the Queen of Diamonds wheel.

Upcoming Promos: Opening Night in early November (date TBD) will be *Community Heroes Night*; *Holiday Party* on December 11; *Chuck Jones Big Draw* with theme jerseys on January 8, 2022; *Hispanic Heritage Night* on February 12; *Education Day* at 10:30am on February 23; *Faith & Family Night* on February 26; and *Dynasty Night* (have your picture taken with a Bull's trophy) on February 27. There will also be Dog Night, Scout Night, etc. Check out their website for all promo events – WindyCityBulls.com.

FINAL THOUGHTS | NEWS ~ President Tom Gosche



Tom will present the budget at next week's meeting. Note that 3 are proposed to attend the Rotary International Convention in Houston, TX (Wes Crocket, Tom Gosche and Brian Berg).

Ending Quote: "Rotarians are very much more favorably disposed toward action than they are toward words." Paul H. Harris