

**August  
2023  
Edition**



Pictured (Left to Right): Holly Lusk, Amanda Levy, Megan Martin, Margie Becker, Jim Becker, Karen Albert

*From the President*

Welcome to August, my fellow Rotarians! We have made it through (hopefully) the hottest month of the year and my first official month as President! Thank you all for helping me ease into Presidency and I want to specifically thank our Red Badge members for contributing to our club in meaningful ways! Eric Bitetto has been a huge help filling the role of Treasurer on short notice, Terri Stevens coordinated an impactful event to see Sound of Freedom, and each of our five new members stepped up during our last-minute speaker cancellation to share about themselves. I am constantly reminded of how blessed we are to have such wonderful Rotarians in our club! On that note, I hope to see as many of you as possible at our meetings this month because we have a fantastic lineup of speakers ahead. August is also "Membership" Month so bring a friend or potential new Rotarian to a meeting! Please also check out the details for our first service project of the new Rotary Year so we can help support Backpack Buddies!

Yours in Service,  
*Holly*



**UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

- August 4:** Ed Piotrowski - WPDE Meteorologist
- August 11:** Jason Orning - Neighbor to Neighbor
- August 18:** Lou Mello - District 7770 Governor (MEETING AT PINE LAKES)
- August 25:** Amelia Stansell - Coordinator for Rotary Action Group Against Slavery

If you would like to submit a prayer request to our Prayer Committee, please submit all requests to [chicorarotaryprayers@gmail.com](mailto:chicorarotaryprayers@gmail.com)

# August Birthdays



# August Anniversaries

Jin Li Dong - August 7  
Michael Pesce - August 14  
Tom Moore - August 29

Rich Scott 08/05/94 - 29 Years  
Bob Bellamy 08/12/88 - 35 Years  
Robert Sansbury 08/14/15 - 8 Years  
Alan Holet 08/20/13 - 10 Years  
Frank Clark 08/20/13 - 10 Years  
Stephanie Burgess 08/26/11 - 12 Years



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President:	Holly Lusk	Club Admin. Chair:	Tiffany Crawford
President Elect:	Gina Brown	Public Image Chair:	Jason Toy
Secretary:	Diane Platt	Sergeant-At-Arms:	Jim O'Neil
Treasurer:	Eric Bitetto	At Large Member:	Tom Moore
Membership Chair:	Michael Riordan	At Large Member:	Jill Griffith
Foundation Chair:	Michael Pesce	I. Past President:	Neal Bowers
Service Projects:	Marlane White	Asst. District Gov.:	Deb Huntsbery



**When to Donate:**  
8/1 - 8/11



Suggested Items to Donate:

- Flavored Instant Oatmeal
- Canned Pasta
- Vienna Sausage
- Pudding Cups
- Peanut Butter Crackers
- Granola Bars
- Ramen Noodles
- School Supplies

### SERVICE PROJECT DETAILS

**"A recently published study by Ohio State University found performing acts of kindness was the only one of the three mental health interventions tested that help people feel more connected to others.**

**This research suggests what we have known all along...that doing good helps transform not just the communities we serve, but it also transforms us. As we put greater focus on mental health, let's not think of this effort as something new to Rotary, but rather as something we can do better and as a result have a greater impact on ourselves and the people we serve."**

**R. Gordon R. McInally - Rotary Int'l President**  
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**CREATE HOPE**  
in the **WORLD**

**The Four Way Test: Of the things we think, say, and do:**

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?