

# SPROCKET



Bradley Bourbonnais Rotary Club — January 11, 2023

President- Beth LaPlante

Secretary: Steve Liehr

Treasurer: Lori Gadbois

Past President: Jean Koehler

**JANUARY**

**Birthdays  
and  
Anniversaries**

**21-B**

**Peggy Sue  
Munday**

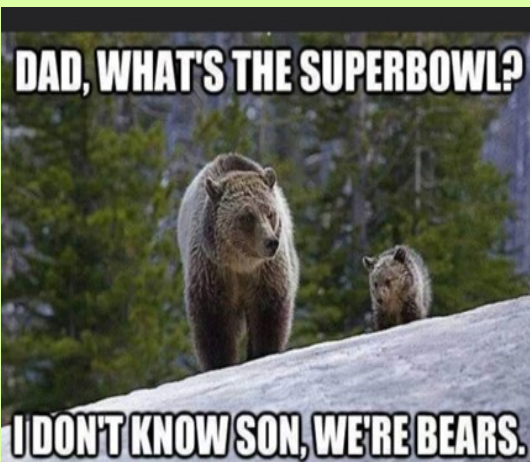
**25-B**

**Harlow  
Hopkins**



**Kiwaniis**  
CLUB OF KANKAKEE

Our speaker today is Mary Thompson. Mary will be talking about the Kiwanis Club of Kankakee and opportunities for working with area Rotary Clubs.



**Thank you to our Year-long Sponsors for 2022/2023**

**RIVERSIDE**  
HEALTHCARE

Let's Make It Happen...  
**Peoples Bank**  
of Kankakee County

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**"Remember, that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it"**

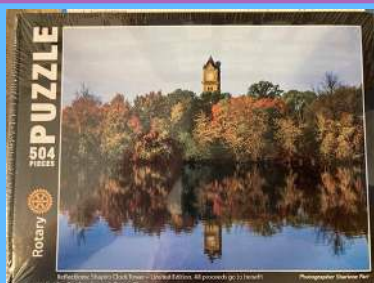
**Henry Ford**

## **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**



On 17 September, volunteers from the Rotary Clubs of Oakville, Oakville-West, and Oakville Trafalgar, Ontario, packed more than 1,000 bags of barley bound for St. Vincent and the Grenadines, a Caribbean country recovering from a series of natural disasters. Rotary members emptied sacks of barley into bins, manually

weighed the grains into 1-pound bags, and boxed them. Normally "it takes two shifts of five full-time people to accomplish what we did in three hours," says Sundeep Khosla, an Oakville club member. His club has made a commitment to monthly shifts at the warehouse, run by **GlobalMedic**, a charity focused on rapid response to disasters worldwide.



### **Puzzles can be purchased at:**

Kankakee County Convention and Visitor's Bureau Retail Store  
Stefari's Café  
Joy's Hallmark  
Bourbonnais Village Hall  
Kankakee County Museum  
Rubber Rose Books and Prints.



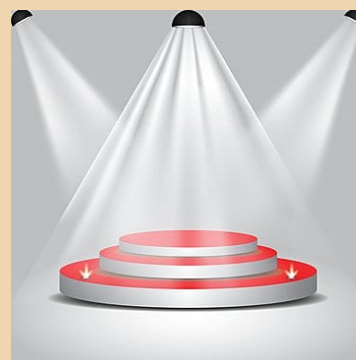
### **NEW DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT**

Bonita (Bonnie) Sanchez-Carlson, a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago Near South, has been nominated to serve as District Governor of Rotary International District 6450 for the 2025-26 Rotary Year.

Bonnie currently serves as the Secretary for RI District 6450 Board and was recently appointed Chair of the Rotary District 6450 Charitable Foundation. She founded the Chicago Rotary Clubs Coalition, bringing together clubs mainly from Chicago for enhanced networking, collaborative service projects, and social outings

For the past 32 years, Bonnie has worked for Near South Planning Board, a not-for-profit planning and development organization serving the businesses, institutions, and stakeholders on the Near South Side. In 2001, she was appointed the first Hispanic President & Executive Director in the organization's history. A strong advocate for businesses, institutions, and the communities she serves, she has helped transform the Near South Side into one of the fastest-growing communities in the City of Chicago. Bonnie was born and raised in the City of Chicago, on the way. She loves to travel, bowl, and read all types of literature.

### **OPEN CALL FOR GUEST SPEAKERS**



Got a suggestion for a quest speaker? Great. Here's what you can do. First, check with Beth LaPlante of Frank Koehler as to what dates may be open. Some dates may already have been assigned. Second, if you are acquainted with the individual, contact them as to their interest in speaking to our club and dates they may be available. Also see if they need a projector. Third, get back with Beth and Frank and let them know of the speaker, their bio and the topic they will be discussing. Finally, confirm the date with the Speaker.

## NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR CLUB PRESIDENT



*The Rotary Club of Bradley Bourbonnais is growing, and new initiatives are taking place each year. In recent years, we have initiated fundraisers at Culvers, held our first Mental Health Awareness Event for Health Care Providers, continued the Annual Shredding Event, and organized a unique and successful jigsaw puzzle sales promotion.*

*For the past two years, Beth LaPlante has provided inspired leadership, and we thank you for your efforts. We are now looking for an individual who may be willing to take on the role of Club President. This person will have the support and backing of our Club as we strive for greater community involvement.*

*If interested, please contact Beth LaPlante. Thank you.*

**PETS ORIENTATION SCHEDULE**

**1 PETS ORIENTATION OPTION 1**  
Virtual | Jan. 24 @ 7:30 PM

**2 PETS ORIENTATION OPTION 2**  
Virtual | Jan. 26 @ 12:00 PM

**3 PETS ORIENTATION OPTION 3**  
Fountaindale Public Library, Bolingbrook  
Feb. 24 @ 10:00 AM

Rotary District 6450

IMAGINE ROTARY

### **Herbert Hunn Jr. 1948-2023**



Condolences to the family and friends of Herb Hunn, who passed away on January 3, 2023. Herb was a Past-President of the Kankakee Rotary Club and a past Assistant Governor.

Le Rotary est un club service réunissant des femmes et des hommes engagés dans la vie publique, d'?

Rotary  
Mortagne et le Perche

*Rotary is a service club of women and men involved in public life.*

# ROTARY CLUB OF BRADLEY-BOURBONNAIS (est. 1981)

## MEMBERSHIP



### OFFICERS

President-Beth LaPlante  
Treasurer-Lori Gadbois  
Secretary-Steve Liehr  
Past President-Jean Koehler

### MEMBERS

Curry, Barbara  
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\*Czerwionka, Jim (Marcia)  
H.939.1999 M.351.1999  
Depatis, Larry  
M.386.0001 W.929.4030  
\*DeZwann, Jim (Connie)  
H.939.7458 M.592.6097  
Gadbois, Lori (Brandon)  
H.937.0092 M.530.8228 W.937.2983  
\*Gerts Ronald  
M. 922.6187  
Goselin, Scott (Sue)  
M.278.0225 W.933.3371  
\*Hill, Stephen (Lilly)  
H.937.5017 M.954.5017  
Holmes, Glenn  
H.929.0954 M.651.4340  
Jankowski, Greg (Vel)  
H. 401.4784 M.546.6589  
\*Frank Koehler (Jean)  
H 936.0902 M 592.5979  
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H 936.0902 M 708.337.2368

Kurien, Abe  
M. 953.3398  
\*LaPlante, Beth (Greg)  
H.929.0219 M.474.7646  
LaPlante, Greg  
H. 929.0219  
\*Liehr, Stephen (Ellen)  
H.933.3554 M.954.3396  
\*Marr, David (Christine)  
H.939.3386 M.933.1117  
Martinez, Amanda  
M.791.4374 W.932.7000  
Julia Mullikin  
M.258-5297  
Munday, Peggy Sue  
815.922.2079  
\*Olszewski, Toby  
H.932.9682 M.592.3454  
Sayson, Jojo (Nancy)  
H.933.4291 M.936.0940 W.936.1992  
Smith, Scott (Jennifer)  
M.953.3903 W.929.4000  
Jay Smith  
M.618.806.3372  
\*Standley, Phillip (Jean)  
H.939.7769 M.370.7590  
Wells, Paula  
W 933-7883  
**\*Past President**

**HONORARY MEMBERS**  
**Honorable Paul Shore, Mayor**  
**Village of Bourbonnais**  
**Harlow Hopkins**

(all numbers 815 area code unless otherwise noted)



***This day in History – January 11, 1838: First public demonstration of telegraph messages sent using dots-and-dashes by Samuel Morse and Alfred Vail.***

