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Rotary Club of Bradley-Bourbonnais — January 17, 2024

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Los Mochis, Mexico



JANUARY

Birthdays and Anniversaries

8 -- B

Elvis Presley

19—B

Dolly Parton

21 — B

Peggy Sue Munday

22—B

John Belushi

25—B

Harlow Hopkins



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Today's Program

Carrie Blanton
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FESTIVAL OF ROSES PARADE



Red Bird Market

CABIN FEVER MARKET

KANKAKEE COUNTY

FAIRGROUNDS

213 W 4000 RD S, KANKAKEE IL

SUNDAY JANUARY 28TH 2024

9AM-3PM

\$2.00 Admission Kids Free

Handmade Craft Market, Vintage Finds,
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BBRotary meets at 12 noon on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesday of each month at Quality Inn and Suites, Route 50, Bradley, IL

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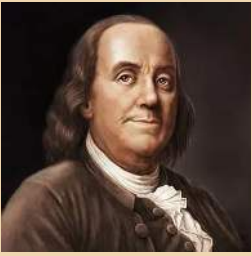
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Eleanor Roosevelt



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

January 17th is the 318th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. He was born in 1706 in Boston. Inventor. Diplomat. Scientist. Entrepreneur. Catalyst.

Benjamin Franklin was quite a busy man. In his 84 years, he invented, discovered and improved many of the devices and civic institutions that people rely on today. Here's a look:

Invented: Swim Fins, Franklin Stove, Lightning Rod, Glass Harmonica, and Bifocals

Founded/Co-Founded: America first circulating Library, Library Company of Philadelphia; America's first volunteer fire department; American Philosophical Society; America's first Liberal Arts Academy - University of Pennsylvania; and America's first public hospital

He was the first to: Use the words "positive" and "negative" to describe electricity; Create a political cartoon; Chart the Gulf Stream; and Serve as Ambassador of the United States

FAMOUS QUOTATIONS

"Love your Enemies, for they tell you your Faults."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1756

"He that falls in love with himself will have no rivals."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1739

"There never was a good war or a bad peace."
- *Letter to Sir Joseph Banks, president of the Royal Society of London, July 1783. Also cited in a letter to Quincy, Sr., American merchant, planter and politician, September 1783.*

"He that lies down with Dogs, shall rise up with fleas."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1733

"Better slip with foot than tongue."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1734

"Look before, or you'll find yourself behind."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1735

"Don't throw stones at your neighbors, if your own windows are glass."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1736

"He that would live in peace & at ease, Must not speak all he knows or judge all he sees."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1736

"Well done is better than well said."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1737

"A right Heart exceeds all."
- *Poor Richard's Almanack*, 1739

Benjamin Franklin would have made the ideal Rotarian. He organized the Junto or Leather Apron Club. The Leather Apron Club's purpose was to debate questions of morals, politics, and natural philosophy, and to exchange knowledge of business affairs.

The members of the Junto were drawn from diverse occupations and backgrounds, but they all shared a spirit of inquiry and a desire to improve themselves, their community, and to help others. Among the original members were printers, surveyors, a cabinet maker, a clerk and a bartender.

The Junto's Friday evening meetings were organized around a series of questions that Franklin devised, covering a range of intellectual, personal, business, and community topics. These questions were used as a springboard for discussion and community action. Through the Junto, Franklin promoted such concepts as volunteer fire-fighting clubs, improved security (night watchmen), and a public hospital. Questions asked of members included:

- Have you met with any thing in the author you last read, remarkable, or suitable to be communicated to the Junto? particularly in history, morality, poetry, physic, travels, mechanic arts, or other parts of knowledge.
- What new story have you lately heard agreeable for telling in conversation?
- Hath any citizen in your knowledge failed in his business lately, and what have you heard of the cause?
- Have you lately heard of any citizen's thriving well, and by what means?
- Do you know of any fellow citizen, who has lately done a worthy action, deserving praise and imitation? or who has committed an error proper for us to be warned against and avoid?
- Who do you know that are shortly going voyages or journies, if one should have occasion to send by them?
- Do you think of any thing at present, in which the Junto may be serviceable to *mankind*? to their country, to their friends, or to themselves?
- Do you know of any deserving young beginner lately set up, whom it lies in the power of the Junto any way to encourage?
- Have you lately observed any defect in the laws of your *country*, [of] which it would be proper to move the legislature for an amendment? Or do you know of any beneficial law that is wanting?
- Do you see any thing amiss in the present customs or proceedings of the Junto, which might be amended?



#Rotary President-elect Stephanie Urchick revealed the 2024-2025 presidential theme, *The Magic of Rotary*, today: "We are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand. It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member."



10 Reasons to Join A Rotary Club



- The Opportunity to Serve
- Leadership Development
- Citizenship in the World
- Business Development
- Continuing Education
- Personal Growth
- Entertainment
- Community
- Friendship
- Fun

BBROTARY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

BBROTARY.ORG

Check it out!



Our redesigned website is up and operational. Thanks to Amy Laws for her work on this.

STATION STREET BRIDGE



OUR RETAIL PARTNERS

Convention and Visitors Bureau, Kankakee County Museum, Stefari's West, Rubber Rose Books, Ba Da Bloom Florist, King Music, Joy's Hallmark, Village of Bourbonnais, and Connect Roasters

FUTURE EVENTS

Mental Health Awareness Workshop

Membership Recruitment

Business After Hours

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Rotary partnership with the United Nations puts the focus on waterways

A new collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme empowers Rotary members to clean up, protect, and monitor their local waterways. The strategic partnership aligns with both the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and Rotary's environment area of focus.

The partnership "brings together Rotary's community-based solutions and UNEP's technical expertise," RI President-elect Stephanie Urchick said when announcing the partnership on 10 January. She spoke at Rotary's International Assembly, the organization's gathering of incoming district governors.

The Rotary Foundation is funding program costs over the course of three years, with the potential for continued support. Clubs can use district funds or apply for global grants to pay for their activities.

To participate, Rotary and Rotaract clubs can identify a local body of water (river, lake, wetland, or natural reservoir) and commit to protecting and restoring it. They can then engage with the local community and other relevant groups to identify any major threats to the body of water and ultimately develop a plan of action in coordination with nongovernmental organizations, private enterprises, or government agencies.

ROTARY CLUB OF BRADLEY-BOURBONNAIS

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**HONORARY MEMBERS
Honorable Paul Schore, Mayor
Village of Bourbonnais**

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otherwise indicated)**



THIS DAY IN HISTORY—JANUARY 17



1966: Martin Luther King, Jr. opens the Chicago Campaign, a nonviolent campaign aimed at fair housing practices. The most visible and well-known leader of the Civil Rights Movement, King was a Baptist minister who helped advance civil rights through non-violent methods based on his Christian beliefs.

King founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conf. and helped lead the 1955 Montgomery Bus Boycott early in his career. After the unsuccessful Albany Movement to end segregation in Albany, Georgia, he organized the March on Washington in 1963 where he delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.