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Bradley Bourbonnais Rotary Club — April 17, 2024

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do

first

Is it the TRUTH?

second

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

third

Will it build GOOD WILL
and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

fourth

Will it be BENEFICIAL to
all concerned?

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"The good we do together surpasses the good we do alone."

Benjamin Franklin

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CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

HISTORY OF ROTARY

Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago Attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Others in attendance at the first meeting were Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schele and Hiram Shorey. They called the new club "Rotary" after the practice of rotating meeting locations.

Today, Rotary has grown to an international organization of service and fellowship which now has more than 1.4 million members within 35,000 individual Rotary Clubs.

Overtime, Rotary's reach and vision gradually extended to humanitarian service. Members have a long track record of addressing challenges in their communities and around the world.

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Rotary Club of Bradley Bourbonnais

OUR HISTORY

Chartered in 1981, the Rotary Club of Bradley-Bourbonnais has served the Kankakee County Community in many ways for over 42 years. It has also maintained the Rotary International Spirit of Service through National and International projects such as the elimination of Polio across the world.

Our Club strives to achieve our service goals and fundraisers in the spirit of fun, fellowship, and networking. Some of the local projects we have participated in, sponsored, or have initiated include the annual household shredding event, whereby residents can safely and securely dispose of paper records; National Night Out at Perry Farm; Good Shepherd Manor Fall Festival; the purchase and installation of waiting benches at Metro Bus Stops, and an annual 5k run and walk to benefit Willowhaven Nature Center. Our Club also recognizes achievements in education through our annual Four Way Test Lunch as a way to honor select eighth grade students at local schools, and awarding an annual scholarship to a BBCHS graduate. Internationally, we have purchased and deployed dozens of ShelterBox survival kits for areas impacted by natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, and hurricanes; have organized a medical supply collection event to benefit the citizens of Ukraine; and have collected funds and have helped to build washrooms, schools and libraries in many third world countries. We have hosted high school foreign exchange students for a full school year, and teams of business people from other countries showing them a week in the life of our community.

BBRotary meets the second, third, and fourth Wednesdays of each month, 12 noon, at Quality Inn and Suites, Route 50 in Bradley.

For more information on our Club, including upcoming meetings and how to join, please visit our website at BBRotary.org.

***"Success isn't about how much money you make,
it's about the difference you make in person's lives."***

Michelle Obama.

FOUR-WAY TEST LUNCH

The Four-Way Test Lunch was initiated by our Club as a way to honor eighth grade students from area schools within the Bradley-Bourbonnais Community who most closely reflect the vision and purpose of Rotary. Students are recommended for this award by their Principals.

Additionally, our Club annually awards a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduate of BBCHS to be used towards their first-year college expenses. The recipient is determined following submittal and review of an essay on the principles of Rotary and how they would apply in their life. This year, we have two recipients.

FOUR-WAY TEST AWARD



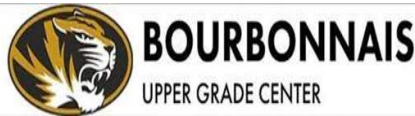
ST. GEORGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Principal: Christine Johnston

Recipients
Ella Haas
Jack Watters



BRADLEY CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
Principal: Mark Kohl

Recipients
Bella Mae Fleischman
Easton Stump



BOURBONNAIS UPPER GRADE CENTER
Principal: Jeremy Outsen

Recipients
Abbigail Gutzeit
Jimmy Heil



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL
Eight Grade Teacher: Jamie Stirnman

Recipients
Lillian Anderson
Miles Truax



FOUR-WAY TEST SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS
BRADLEY-BOURBONNAIS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
Superintendent: Dr. Matt Vosberg
Guidance Counselor Allison Schlueter Lori

Recipients
Cal Darling
Dugan Hubert

Each Student's name will be placed on a plaque displayed at their respective school.

Congratulations to today's Award and Scholarship recipients

"The best way to predict your future is to create it."

Abraham Lincoln

ROTARIANS IN ACTION

In furtherance of international peace and understanding, the Rotary Club of Bradley-Bourbonnais has entered into Sister-Club agreements with the Rotary Club of Mortagne au Perche, Normandy, France, and the Rotary Cu of Los Mochis, Mexico



Rotary Club Mortagne et le Perche



The Rotary Club of Mortagne au Perche is leading a campaign to raise \$40,000 for the purchase of a backhoe tractor. This device will be used to empower women in a community outside of Lima, Peru to build retaining walls, create paths and terraces, and play areas for young people. The Rotary Clubs of Bradley-Bourbonnais, and Naperville, and Rotary District 6450 have all pledged funds to assist in the project



Club Rotario de Los Mochis



Los Mochis Rotarians helps support a medical mission to the town of El Fuerte, about one hour from Mochis. Members of BBRotary visited Los Mochie earlier this year, and a donation from the BBRotary Club was used to purchase additional medical supplies

SUPPORT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT



Holiday greeting cards, complete with chocolate treats, were prepared to be given to all Law Enforcement Officers in the County. The message was simple: Bradley Bourbonnais Rotary Club Salutes the Law Enforcement of Kankakee County

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



In partnership with Project Head Space and Timing a,nd Kankakee Community College, The Rotary Club of Bradley-Bourbonnais sponsored a workshop on Mental Health Awareness. Additional workshops are being planned.

BBRotarians, with assistance from members of the BBCHS Latino Student Union, recently hosted their annual Shred Event. More than 4,500 pounds of paper were diverted from landfills, and over \$1,000 was raised to support Shelter Box, an international disaster relief charity that provides temporary shelter and lifesaving supplies to displaced families.

