

# SPROCKET



Rotary Club of Bradley-Bourbonnais — March 12, 2025

President— Julia Mullikin

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Mortagne au Perche, France

**Our Sister Clubs**

Los Mochis, Mexico



## MARCH

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

4-B  
Wayne DeBoer

12-B  
Scott Austin

15-B  
Dennis Crawford

17-B  
Lori Gadbois

31-B  
Toby Olszewski



BBRotary meets at 12 noon on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at **Beef O'Brady's**. 547 Main St, NW Bourbonnais, IL

**Come Join Us**

## Today's Speaker

Our meeting on Wednesday will be at ONU'S Strickler Planetarium.

Did you know that this month we will experience a full Lunar eclipse? A lunar eclipse occurs when the Moon moves into the Earth's shadow, causing the Moon to be darkened. A total lunar eclipse occurs when the Moon's near side entirely passes into the Earth's umbral shadow



## CALENDER

Wednesday, 3/12  
**ROTARY**  
@ ONU

Wednesday, 3/19  
**FARM FAMILY**  
Hoppy Pig

Wednesday, 3/26  
**ROTARY**  
Beef O'Brady's

Wednesday, 4/9  
**FOUR WAY TEST**  
Quality Inn

Wednesday, 4/16  
**ROTARY**  
Beef O'Brady's



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**COMING THIS SPRING**

**Saturday April 12**



**Pots of Gold & Pubs Aplenty**  
 Back Forty Saloon  
 Copelands Bar & Grill  
 Manteno American Legion  
 Manteno Sportsman's Club  
 The Pub at Midtown  
 Ryleigh's Gaming Café  
 Sammu's Pizza

**MANTENO  
 ST. PADDY'S  
 PUB CRAWL  
 MARCH 14 + 15**

**ENTERTAINMENT**  
**DRINK SPECIALS**  
*Feelin' Lucky*  
**21+** sláinte **FOOD SPECIALS**

**The 2025 Farm Family of the Year as determined by the Rotary Clubs of Kankakee County (Kankakee, Manteno, Bradley-Bourbonnais) has been selected!**

**Join us for lunch on Wednesday, March 19th, 11:30 AM at**

**Hoppy Pig Restaurant 135 N. Bradley Blvd (Route 50)**

**As we honor this year's recipient.**

**Thank you to the Daily Journal and Harvest Solar for your sponsorship**

**Nintendo Collector Con 2025**  
**Sunday, March 23rd**  
 Kankakee County Fairgrounds  
 213 W. 4000 S. Rd Kankakee, IL 60901

**\$5 Early Admission starts at 9:30am**  
**\$3 Admission at 10am**  
 Kids 10 & under enter FREE!  
 Show hours : 9:30am - 4:00pm

Toys / Cards / Comic Books / Coins  
 Video Games / Collectibles & Lots More!

**Rotary Around the World**

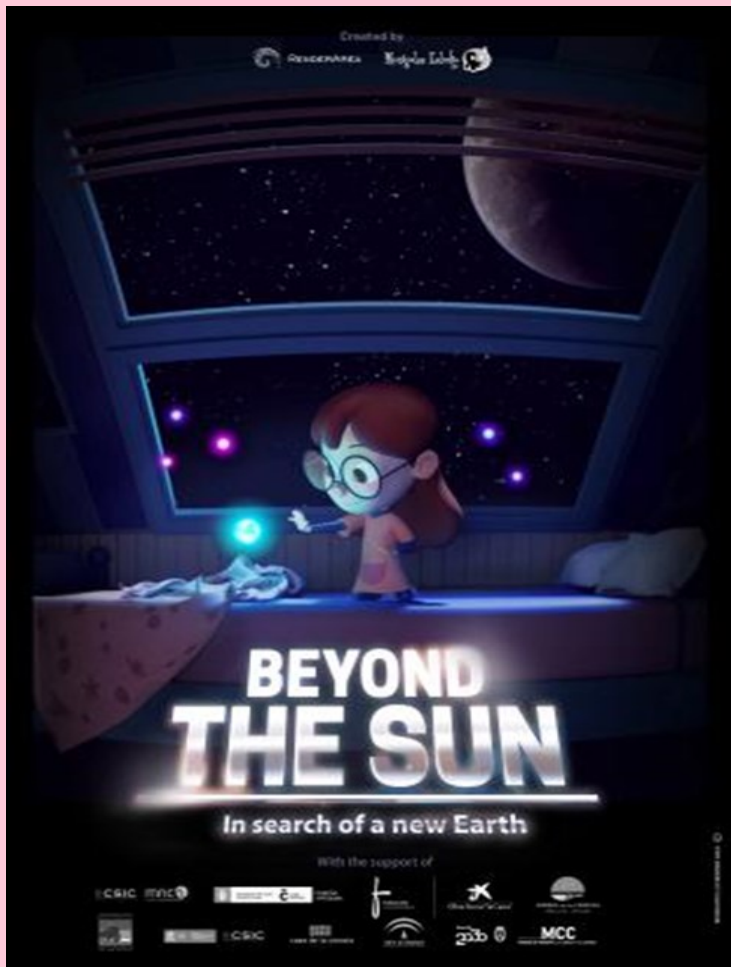
New Zealand: Members of the Rotary Club of Waikato Sunrise are flying high thanks to an annual hot-air balloon festival where they raise money and community awareness of Rotary. The 2025 Balloons Over Waikato event, slated for 18-22 March in the club's hometown of Hamilton, will feature about two dozen balloons along with fireworks, music, amusement rides, and food tents, says Willemien Wennekers, a club member and past manager of the festivities. Rotarians serve as crowd ambassadors and help staff the information tent and VIP area. They also sell merchandise and run a "walk-through balloon" that's inflated but moored flat along the grass, allowing visitors to walk inside, Wennekers says. The \$5,800 raised by the club during the 2024 event was donated to True Colours Children's Health Trust, another of the event's charity partners.

**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**  
**Chicago celebrations include turning the river green!**



**Rotary**

**TOGETHER** WE SEE A WORLD  
 WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION  
 TO **CREATE** LASTING  
**CHANGE** ACROSS THE GLOBE  
 IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES



**Strickler Planetarium**

03/15/25 - 03/15/25 4:30 pm

While Celeste is fighting off sleep in her room by reading a book on astronomy, she receives an unexpected visit from Moon. Together, they will enjoy a journey through the Universe to discover what exoplanets are and how they can be detected. They observe rogue planets, oceanic worlds, and super-Earths. Moon tells her about exoplanet hunters, who observe the sky in search of planets like Earth. This planetarium show features stunning visualizations of some of the different types of exoplanets that have been discovered including hot Jupiter's, rogue planets, and super-Earths.. Admission: \$5-Adults

**MORTAGNE AU PERCHE ROTARY AND DISTRICT 1640**

Open house at Jean Monnet de Mortagne high school in Perche this morning with our Interact youth and our young exchange students from the USA, Japan, Brazil and Colombia this year!



**Rotary**  
District 1700



**The Rotarian Minute News**

#32 – February 16, 2024  
*1' to discover Rotary news*

**Rotary's response to the U.S.'s plan to withdraw from the WHO, USAID funding freeze**

Rotary remains committed to eradicating polio, despite the U.S. decision to withdraw from the WHO, a key partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI).

As a founding GPEI partner, Rotary has worked for decades with governments and organizations to reduce polio cases by 99.9% since 1988.

The organization remains dedicated to protecting every child, even in the most remote and challenging regions.

Rotary is confident that GPEI will continue to adapt, innovate, and ensure vaccine accessibility worldwide.

Additionally, Rotary's collaboration with USAID has been affected by a stop-work order, impacting various projects, including the Hearts of Europe initiative.

Rotary has informed those involved and is working on alternative funding solutions to support ongoing efforts.

Despite these challenges, Rotary remains resolute in achieving a polio-free world.

Having eradicated smallpox, humanity can now ensure polio becomes the second disease eliminated globally, fulfilling the long-standing promise of a healthier future for all.



The Rotarian Minute is a creation of District 1700. Please send any comments or suggestions to laminate1700@gmail.com



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M.258-5297  
Mullikin, Marjorie

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W 928.5683  
\* DeZwaan, Jim (Connie)  
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Ehrman, Adam (C)  
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Fightmaster, Tony (C)  
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Gadbois, Lori (Brandon)  
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Madelynn "Mandy" Minton ©  
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Vega, Anibal (C)  
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**HONORARY MEMBERS  
Honorable Paul Schore, Mayor  
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**Glenn Holmes,  
Former Member and Friend**

**all numbers 815 area code unless  
otherwise indicated)**

### **Honoring**

**Dr. Harlow Hopkins**



### **THIS DAY IN HISTORY- MARCH 12**

**1957** Random House and Houghton-Mifflin co-publish

"The Cat in the Hat" by Dr. Seuss

