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FRIDAY: At Steeplegate Inn, with Zoom option

Countryside Community Theatre

We'll be back at the Steeplegate on Friday, with "**Countryside Community Theatre: Celebrating 40 Years of Broadway in the Heartland,**" arranged by **Scott Case**. In addition, District Governor **Steve Wieneke** will be our special guest.

Countryside Community Theatre opened in 1983, after the North Scott School District built its auditorium. CCT is a proud partner with North Scott Lancer Productions, and provides a learning and growing environment for youth and adults to explore the arts through live theatre.

To celebrate its 40th season, CCT opens its summer with **Footloose**. The 1984 film Footloose is loosely based on events that took place in Elmore City, Oklahoma. It is the story of a teenager from Chicago who moves to a small town, where he attempts to overturn the ban on dancing instituted by the efforts of the local minister. Under the direction of **Cindy Ramos**, with musical director **Mitchell Carter**, this is a high energy dance show that will get you moving in your seat. The cast includes students from several high schools, as well as local community members, **Phil Hart, Ticia** and **Clint Balsar, Jim Schneider** and **Michael Mack**. Show dates are June 30, July 1 and 2 and July 7, 8 and 9.

For the second show, Countryside turns to the beautiful music and lyrics of Stephen Sondheim in the 1986 musical, **Into the Woods**. This is a Tony award-winning musical that weaves together fairy tale plots and explores the consequences

**Cindy
Ramos**



and wishes of characters like Little Red Riding Hood, Cinderella and Jack and the Beanstalk. Their journey will be filled with love, laughter and longing for what could be. Of course, no real fairy tale would be complete without a curse, a wolf and a witch. Director **Tom Walljasper**, music director **Ryan Riewerts**, and pit director, **Nathan Windt** put together a cast of seasoned actors to do this story justice. Show dates are July 28, 29 and 30 and Aug. 5, 6 and 7.

Over 40 years, community members have taken to the stage, served on the board and enjoyed the quality productions which have been a tradition. Countryside is stronger because of the generations of families that have supported them, and they are honored to be part of a rich theater history in the Quad Cities. CCT is always looking for volunteers to usher and help with tickets. Contact **Angela Reese** at areese0916@gmail.com. Purchase tickets at ccteldridge.booktix.com.

Grants/3; Heart Walk/6; Beautification/6; Golf/8-9

CALENDAR

Friday, June 16: At the Steeplegate, with Zoom option, program "**Countryside Community Theatre,**" with **Cindy Ramos**, arranged by Scott Case. District Governor **Steve Wieneke** will be in attendance.

Sunday, June 18-Friday, June 30: Team of six North Scott Rotarians, one spouse, and one other travels to Imbabwe Centre for Women & Children in Kisoro, Uganda.

Monday, June 19: John Deere Classic volunteers pick up shirts and uniforms at Bend EXPO Center, 922 Mississippi Parkway, East Moline, noon-6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 20: John Deere Classic volunteers pick up shirts and uniforms at Bend EXPO Center, 922 Mississippi Parkway, East Moline, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday, June 23: At the Steeplegate, with Zoom, "Support of Guard & Reserve," arranged by Drew Wilson.

Sunday, June 25: Rotarians invited to the gavel passing from DG **Steve Wieneke** to 2023-24 District Governor **Dennis Drager**, at Norris House, 411 Jerome St., Marshalltown, 2-4 p.m. There is no cost, but you are asked to register at www.rotary6000.org, or email to dis6000admin@Lisco.com.

Sunday, June 25: North Scott Rotarians invited to join Rotarians from all clubs in the Quad Cities at the Backwater Gamblers water show on the Rock River, 5000 44th St., Rock Island. It's fun and it's free, but reservations requested by June 19. See flyer on page 7.

Friday, June 30: (no meeting, July 4th weekend)

Wednesday, July 5-Sunday, July 9: North Scott Rotarians serve as volunteer course marshals at John Deere Classic Hole No. 16 with Iowa Quad-City Rotarians.

Thursday, July 6: North Scott Rotary annual Installation Party, evening, Sheridan Meadows Park, Eldridge.

Friday, July 7: (no meeting at Steeplegate)

Saturday, July 8: Eldridge Summer Festival parade, 10 a.m.

Saturday, July 8: Rotarians volunteer at Moonlight Chase water stop at NEW location: Bill and Linda Tubbs home, 302 S. 8th St., Eldridge, 7:30 p.m. until finished.

Friday, July 14: At the Steeplegate, with Zoom option, Visit Quad Cities, "Summer Activities," with **Dave Herrell** and **Joan Kranovich**, arranged by Bill Tubbs.

July 16-21: Iowa RYLA conference at Grinnell College; **Katherine Van Ness** and **Delaney Fitzgibbon** are sponsored by North Scott Rotary.

Tuesday, July 18: Visitors Day for Rotarians at Iowa RYLA.

Friday, July 21: At the Steeplegate, with Zoom option, program TBA.

Thursday, July 27: Corn Boil at MV Fairgrounds, evening.

Saturday, July 29: NEW! North Scott Rotarians have been invited to staff the beer tent in downtown Davenport at the end of RAGBRAI. Rotary will keep the tip money! Watch for details.

Friday, Sept. 8: 2023-24 District Governor Dennis Drager's Official Club Visit.

Friday, Sept. 15: North Scott Rotary Walt Fahrenkrog Memorial Golf Outing at Glynn's Creek Golf Course. Tee time, 12:45 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: North Scott Rotary Auction and 50th Anniversary at Rhythm City Casino.

50 YEARS OF SERVICE

NORTH SCOTT ROTARY

1973



2023

CLUB SERVICE

GREETERS

June 16: Dr. Fred Mulch, Warren Hodge

June 23: Drew Wilson, Ken Rohwedder.

June 30: (no meeting)

PIANO

June 16: Marguerite Holzworth

June 23: Terri Wittkowski
June 30: (no meeting)

SONG LEADER

June 16: Jody Johnston-Mohr

June 23: Kelly Meyer

June 30: (no meeting)

REFLECTION

June 16: Tony Knobbe

June 23: Becky Bray

June 30: (no meeting)

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

June 16: Nathan Kessler

June 23: Cody Allen

June 30: (no meeting)

Notice

Items for next week's NorScottarian must be turned in by Friday afternoon. No newsletter on June 28 and no Rotary on June 30.

The editor will be among seven from North Scott Rotary plus **Doug Peterson** of Iowa Quad Cities Rotary visiting our projects and meeting children at Imbabwe Centre for Women & Children in Kisoro, Uganda, returning June 30. Wishing safe travels to **Merle Anderson, Sara Somsky, Pat DeLuca, Jeff and Crista Ashcraft, Dick Cole, Doug Peterson** and **Bill Tubbs**.

JUNE 9, 2023: COMMUNITY GRANTS DAY



Grants recipients, front (l-r): Melissa Estes (Project 15:12), Ashley Knobloch (NS Junior High Band), Sue Larkin (Friends of Walnut Grove Pioneer Village), Cherie Henningsen (NSHS Service Club), and Amy Schaefer (YWCA of Quad Cities); Back: Mike Zimmer (Student-built airplane project), Nick Propes (NS Junior High Band), Mandy Tripp (MV Workforce Development Board), Glen Roebuck (Genesis Foodplex), Elisa Ward (Fostering Crossroads) and Heather Mosley (Genesis Health). Photo by Editor

Grants awarded to QC organizations

By Bill Tubbs/Editor

June 9, 2023: The venue was different and there was no piano and no bell, but the fellowship was the same on Community Grants Day at Hilton Garden Inn, Bettendorf. The meeting was attended by 74 in person and **Tiffany Lensch** and **Steve Suiter** by Zoom. **Paul Holzworth** gave the pitch for a capella singing of "America the Beautiful," and greetings were passed without the welcome song. **Marcie Ordaz's** inspiration lifted up eight North Scott Service Club students who will be traveling to the Dominican Republic in 10 days. **Deanna Jensen-Valliere** introduced guests and Visiting Rotarians: **John Gere** (Iowa Quad Cities), **Ken Beck**

(Davenport), **Mauricio Diaz** (guest of **Rita Rawson**), and sheriff **Tim Lane** (guest of **Rev. Rich Pokora**). Eleven grant recipients (above) were introduced with the program.

Election

President Josie Cochuyt introduced new board members for two-year terms starting July 1: **Chance Berger**, **Katie White**, **Stephanie Eckhardt** and **Theresa White**. They were elected by voice vote. **Tony Knobbe** was introduced as new secretary, in succession for president in 2026-27. "We

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JUNE 9, 2023: COMMUNITY GRANTS DAY

Community grants awarded

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should vote!" said **John Maxwell**. The nomination was approved by voice vote amidst good-natured laughter.

President Josie thanked members whose terms ended for their service: **Mindy Leahy, Matt Maiers** and **Heather Wagner**. She gave a special shout-out to past president **Pat Olsen** for nine years on the board and **Bill Tubbs** who is a resource about Rotary history and traditions.

Announcements

Backwater Gamblers: Josie said signups are requested for members and guests for the fellowship night with Quad City Rotarians at Backwater Gamblers water show on the Rock River, Sunday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m. A signup sheet is on page 7.

Heart Walk: Ryan Johnson is heading up our team Saturday, June 10 at Schwiebert Park, Rock Island. Be there are 8:30 a.m. (photo, p. 6).

John Deere Classic: Rotary Club of Iowa Quad Cities Rotarian John Gere requested more help for gallery management at Hole No. 16 at the John Deere Classic. Signup is online. Note the pickup times for shirts June 19 and 20 at the Bend Expo Center, East Moline (see calendar for details).

Strawberry Festival: Tracy Lindaman said North Scott Rotary will NOT have a unit in the Long Grove Strawberry Festival Parade June 11.

Installation picnic for Tracy Lindaman will be Thursday,

July 6 at Sheridan Meadows Park in Eldridge with food by Smokin' Butts Barbecue. Watch for a signup sheet.

Moonlight Chase: Josie said a signup sheet is on the tables for the Eldridge Summer Festival Parade, 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 8, and the Moonlight Chase water stop at the Bill and Linda Tubbs home at 302 S. 8th St., Eldridge. The signup sheet is on page 10.

RAGBRAI Beer Tent: Josie said we should be grateful for the opportunity from Visit Quad Cities to staff the beer tent in downtown Davenport at the end of **RAGBRAI**, all day on Saturday, July 29. Watch for a singup sheet. Rotary will keep the tip money!

Bears and Books: Josie said the Yin panda project which teaches kindness and self-awareness to students will make its way to the **Imbabaze Centre for Women and Children in Kisoro, Uganda** with **Jeff Ashcraft** and our team of travelers, June 18-30. Members are invited to write notes of encouragement to children on 4"x6" cards.

Personals

Chris Cournoyer is happy that her daughter who graduated from Iowa State and earned a masters at the University of Denver has a job!

Ken Beck said the movie, "Boogie Man," was written by his son and co-worker. "Go see it!" ("It's scary.")

Jack Schinckel was in Kansas City last week for the marriage of a granddaughter who is a cheerleader for the

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Buffet line at Hilton Garden Inn, Bettendorf.

Photos by Editor



Meeting room at Hilton Garden Inn, Bettendorf.

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Personals

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Kansas City Chiefs. "We were the longest-married couple there," he said of himself and Georgine.

Dr. Brad Burt said **Rich Golinghorst** had surgery three weeks ago and is recovering well at home. *Best wishes for a speedy recovery!*

Josie Cochuyt's daughter, **Sydnie**, will be going to the Center for Performing Arts for "Godspell" June 24-26.

Steve Fahrenkrog's 25 years of Rotary membership and **Fred Mulch's** 20-year Rotary anniversary were called out by president Josie.

Rotary Quiz: Hats off to **Drew Wilson** and **Katie White** who sent in the right answers: **Shelter Box** is the name of the organization Rotary partnered with to bring relief to families and individuals in Turkey and Syria within 72 hours of the horrific earthquakes in February. Shelter Box originated in England, and yes, North Scott Rotary has supported Shelter Box in the past, but not lately.

Sergeant-at-arms Jeremy Kaiser raised \$61 in fun fines, including "welcome back" to Eric Langan, Sheila Volrath last in the room, Tony Knobbe's presidential goal to raise membership 25 percent (the same as tax assessments), Kim Wilkins for the White Sox winning two in a row, Cyclones fans, and Hawk fans who didn't know that Caitlin Clark's favorite music is "Chill Vibes."

Program

Jeff Ashcraft introduced recipients of grants who told how the funds will be used.

ROTARY QUIZ

Rotary Quiz

Test your Rotary knowledge!

In its 50 years, North Scott Rotary's annual **Auction** has been held at at least seven venues prior to the present Rhythm City Casino. How many can you name? (*Advantage to longtime members!*)

Grade yourself: 7 (A+), 5-6 (A), 3-4 (B), 1-2 (C).

Email answers to: btubbs@northscottpress.com.

MAKEUPS/ROTARY ENGAGEMENT

Please turn in makeups to **Deb Peterson** at: dennis.peterson1@gmail.com, or nsrotary@aol.com.

Thursday, May 25: Who is the Rotarian who told Bill he went to the Rotary Club of Iowa Quad Cities. ?

Wednesday, May 31: Mini-meet at Maloney's: (no report)

Monday, June 5: Deanna Jensen-Valliere, Rotary Club of Ames via you tube video (Secretary of State Paul Pate was the program about Human Trafficking Prevention).

Wednesday, June 7: Mini meet at Maloney's: Merle Anderson, Marty O'Boyle, Hank Runge, Rev Rich Pokora, Jeff Helms, Jim Smith, Dick Cole, Jack Schinckel, Dwayne Anderson.

Thursday, June 8: Marcia Brandt and Rita Rawson (Davenport Kiwanis), Miss Teen Iowa.

Friday, June 9: North Scott Rotary board meeting at Hilton Garden Inn, Bettendorf: Josie Cochuyt, Tracy Lindaman, Greg Schaapveld, Deanna Jensen-Valliere, Tony Knobbe, Nathan Kessler, Deb Peterson, Patrick Olsen, Mindy Leahy, Matt Maiers, Heather Wagner, Tyler Bindrum, Ryan Johnson, Sara Somsy, Bill Tubbs, Dale Grunwald, Theresa White, Chance Berger, Stephanie Eckhardt, Katie White.

Saturday, June 10: Quad Cities Heart Walk at Schwiebert-Park, Rock Island: Ryan Johnson, Kelly Meyer, Kim Wilkins, Theresa White (Gracie), Drew Wilson (Rebecca).

MAKEUP OPPORTUNITIES

Monday, Noon..... Clinton, Rastrelli's Restaurant, Lyons

Monday, Noon..... Davenport, Bittner YMCA

Monday, 12:10..... Muscatine, Rendezvous, 3127 Lucas St.

Monday, 12:15..... Moline, Trinity Lutheran, 1313 13th Av.

Monday, 6:00 p.m. .Quad Cities Illinois, HyVee, 42nd Ave., Moline

Tuesday, Noon .. Rock Island, Quad-City Botanical Center

Tuesday, 7:15 p.m. River Cities, Brothers Restaurant, Rapid City, Ill.

Wednesday, Noon..... Bettendorf, Tanglefoot Pavilion

Wednesday, Noon..... Tipton, 1143 Cedar Valley Rd.

Wednesday, Noon..... Maquoketa, Eagle's Club

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. North Scott Rotary Mini-Meet, Maloney's, Eldridge

Thursday, 7:00 a.m. . Iowa Quad Cities, J-Bar, Elmore Ave.

Thursday, 12:15 p.m. East Moline, Christ United Methodist Church

Thursday, Noon Milan, Pinnacle Club

Friday, Noon..... North Scott, Steeplegate Inn, Davenport

NORTH SCOTT ROTARY CLOTHING

To order North Scott Rotary clothing:
handicappeddevelopment.org/north-scott-rotary

HEART WALK



Quad Cities Heart Walk

The Rotary Club of North Scott was represented at the Quad Cities Heart Walk Saturday morning, June 10 at Schwiebert Park in Rock Island by (l-r): Drew Wilton, Theresa White and Gracie, Rebecca Wilson, Kim Wilkins, Ryan Johnson and Kelly Meyer. Thanks to all for your support!

Facebook Photo

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors notes, June 9:

Accepted resignations of **Josh McKinney** (relocating to Rock Island Bank) and **Ellen Bluth** (retiring from Scott Community College). *We wish you well!*

Installation Party meals included for members and \$15 for guests. 10 and under free.

Approved \$250 purchase plants for **Elmegreen Park** in Eldridge

Discussed ways to help victims of **building collapse** in Davenport but deferred action for more information.

Josie Cochuyt will chair the RAGBRAI beer tent team.

BACKWATER GAMBLERS

Sign-ups for Backwater Gamblers, Sunday, June 25, 6:30 p.m. FREE social with Rotarians from clubs in the Quad Cities: A sign-up sheet is on page 7.

- Jeff Helms (2)
- Danielle Hines (4)
- Deanna Jensen-Valliere (2)
- Marcie Ordaz (10)

FLOWERS



Beautification

For many years, Eldridge resident Marjorie Stapleton planted flowers in two beds at Elmegreen Park on the city's west entrance. After she moved to Des Moines, the Rotary Club of North Scott stepped up and Sara Somsky bought the flowers. Planting them on June 11 (above) were (l-r): Aimee Tubbs (visitig from Seattle), Sara Somsky, Kim Wilkins and Linda and Bill Tubbs; and below (l-r): Aimee, Linda, Bill, Kim and Sara.

Photos by Merle Anderson

OBITUARY



Bob Shipman

Bob Shipman, 70, of Estes Park, CO, formerly of Eldridge, died June 7 after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. A builder with a Ph.D. in industrial technology from UNI, he was an active member of North Scott Rotary in the early 2000s. He is survived by his wife, Judy, sons Andrew, of McCausland, Grant, of Estes Park, and Kimberly, of Albuquerque, NM. Funeral mass will be June 19. Allnutt Funeral Services, 1302 Graves Ave., Estes Park, CO 80517, is in charge of services.

FLIGHT TO END POLIO



Rotarians **John Ockenfels** of Iowa City and **Peter Teahan** of Cedar Rapids are finding new adventures daily on their **Flight to End Polio**. Recent stops were in United Arab Emirates, Pakistan and India. Follow their progress and make a donation to polio eradication at www.flighttoendpolio.com.

PAST PRESIDENTS

Daniel A. Whalen (*)	1973-74
C. John Pheiffer (*)	1974-75
Kenneth J. Mundt (*)	1975-76
Roger D. Burt	1976-77
G. Eugene Kimble (*)	1977-78
David A. Stephens (*)	1978-79
Richard A. Froeschle (*)	1979-80
James E. Campbell	1980-81
Rev. Ronald Jespersen (*)	1981-82
Walter W. Fahrenkrog (*)	1982-83
Roy B. Keppy (*)	1983-84
Thomas A. Robinson	1984-85
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Thomas J. Otting	1986-87
Gene Schneckloth (*)	1987-88
J.B. Straley (*)	1988-89
Robert H. Lage (*)	1989-90
Richard J. Blanche	1990-91
Jack D. Darland	1991-92
Jerry L. Vollbeer (*)	1992-93
Robert B. White	1993-94
Wayne W. Jugenheimer	1994-95
William F. Tubbs	1995-96
Pascal V. DeLuca	1996-97
Robert K. Bainter	1997-98
John C. Barker, M.D. (*)	1998-99
Merle L. Anderson	1999-00
Carl G. Stigdon	2000-01
James L. Smith	2001-02
R. Scott Case	2002-03
Robert A. Fox	2003-04
James J. Rastrelli	2004-05
Thomas A. Yates	2005-06
Anita L. Wubbena, D.C	2006-07
Scott C. Kurtz	2007-08
Gary Lynch (*)	2008-09
Charles I. Briegel (*)	2009-10
Charlie Jones	2010-11
Becky Bray	2011-12
John D. Maxwell	2012-13
Steven G. Suiter	2013-14
Steven Fahrenkrog	2014-15
Glen L. Keppy	2015-16
Jeffrey Helms	2016-17
Dennis W. Peterson (*)	2017-18
Jeffrey Ashcraft	2018-19
Jeremy J. Kaiser	2019-20
Bradley Burt, D.C.	2020-21
Patrick Olsen	2021-22

(*) deceased



JOHN DEERE CLASSIC

JOHN GERE

Volunteers needed!

John Gere, a member and president-elect of the Rotary Club of Iowa Quad Cities, has been chair of volunteers at Hole No. 16 at the John Deere Classic for many years. He was at our meeting last week asking for volunteers. North Scott Rotary has partnered with Iowa Quad Cities Rotary for many years. John said help is needed, especially on Saturday and Sunday, July 8-9.



**JOHN DEERE
CLASSIC**



John Gere

Eight members and one spouse from North Scott Rotary (below) are signed up. There is time yet to join them. Register at the JDC website: johndeereclassic.com (the security code is: QCRotary). Select the day(s) you will volunteer.

If you can give the time, this is a wonderful way to see the golfers close up at the signature par 3 Hole No. 16. Volunteer hours are approximately 8:00-5:30. Refreshments and a sack lunch are provided.

Volunteers MUST wear a John Deere shirt and badge. Shirts \$27, caps \$15, visors \$10. Pickup dates for clothing are June 19 -20 at Bend XPO Center, 922 Mississippi Parkway, East Moline, Monday noon-6 p.m. and Tuesday 10 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Khaki slacks or walking shorts (your own). A John Deere Classic flyer is on page 9.

JOHN DEERE CLASSIC

Tom Messer
Fred Mulch
Ken Rohwedder
Drew Wilson

Josh Cobie
Steve Powell
Marcie Ordaz
Jeff & Mindy Helms

BUFFET MENU JUNE 16

Baked Chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn and mixed green salad.



The John Deere Classic is just around the corner... Volunteer registration information is below!

Volunteer Registration is officially open. We hope you will join us again for another successful year of PGA TOUR golf in the QC.

REMINDER: our tournament dates are July 3-9, 2023

RETURNING VOLUNTEER:

You should have received an email around 9 AM on April 17th with your temporary username and password, as well as a link to the website. Your information from previous years will be available to update if needed.

NEW VOLUNTEERS:

We recommend visiting www.johndeereclassic.com to learn more. A list of committee descriptions is located here. Starting April 17th, there is a large "REGISTER" button that takes you to the registration site to set up a new profile.

Volunteers are the heart and soul of the John Deere Classic and we can't wait to see you at TPC Deere Run again this summer.

**For many years, North Scott Rotarians
have assisted the Rotary Club of Iowa
Quad Cities at the picturesque Par 3
Hole No. 16.**



SOCIAL FOR QUAD CITIES ROTARIANS**IT'S FUN – IT'S FREE!****ROTARY NIGHT AT THE BACKWATER GAMBLERS! Sunday, June 25th**Inclement Weather Date Sunday, July 15th

THIS IS PURELY A ROTARY SOCIAL EVENT TO LET OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS SHARE IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARY. THERE WILL BE NO FUNDRAISING OR PLEAS. JUST FUN IN THE SUN! NO CHARGE FOR ADMISSION OR PARKING!

Performing on the scenic waters of the Rock River the Backwater Gamblers are a Nationally Recognized, Award-Winning Ski Team. If you've seen or heard of the Tommy Bartlett Water Ski Show at Wisconsin Dells, or the Cypress Gardens Water Ski Show at Winter Haven, Florida, the Backwater Gamblers are equivalent in talent and thrills! Bleacher seating will be provided, and ROTARY will have center seating right up front! There is NO COST for the show, or parking. Concessions will be available, and they do "pass the hat" for support. The fun in the late afternoon sun is outstanding! There is a mixture of thrills, beauty, comedy, costumes, and speed from high pyramid skiing to barefoot racers, and high in the sky ski jumpers! There is also on shore comedy skit entertainment that everyone will enjoy! Everyone loves the Backwater Gamblers! Multiple times National Ski Champions -- year after year in the National Finals! Rotary seating will be a large section, seats by "first come." **The show begins at 6:30pm.** Parking opens at 5:30.



The BACKWATER GAMBLERS perform on the Rock River at beautiful Ben Williamson Park in Rock Island, 5000 44th Street. Go south off John Deere Road on 44th Street and you will come directly into the parking area. The ski show grandstand seats over 1,300 on the sandy beach of the river.

There will be PA recognition that Rotary is in the crowd! All we need from each club is an approximate count of how many will be coming from your club. We need that to ensure that the proper number of seats are "blocked off and reserved for Rotarians. Be sure to let your Rotarians know that they can invite non-Rotarian friends and family members. Just be sure to have them included in your count. If you have club shirts, caps, etc., encourage your members to wear them. Everyone loves a Ski Show! Bring the kids, bring grandma! We want to not only have fun, but to make a big "SPLASH" for Rotary! **We need your Club's count by Monday, June 19.**