

Rotary Club of Gurnee

Thursdays at 7:15 a.m. at the Hampton Inn, 5550 W. Grand Ave., Gurnee IL 60031

Gurnee Rotary

October 7, 2021

Coming up

- **Oct. 6** — Board Meeting with DG Kevin Stevens
- **Oct. 7** — DG Kevin Stevens visit
- **Oct. 14** — Lake County States Attorney Eric Rinehart
- **Oct. 21** — Club Assembly

Club Duties

Today

Greeter: Ross

Fines&Frolics: Sefton

Drawing: Strachan

Rotary Minute: Thomson

Oct. 14

Greeter: Weismann

Fines&Frolics: Witte-Tabbert

Drawing: Ahlgrim

Rotary Minute: Arenas

Oct. 21

Greeter: Blaser

Fines&Frolics: Donnan

Drawing: Ehler

Rotary Minute: French

Thursday Tweet

"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers."

— Anne of Green Gables

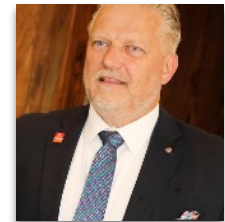
Today's Meeting

District Gov. Kevin Stevens to visit our club this week

Our guest speaker this week will be District Gov. Kevin Stevens of the North Chicago Club.

Stevens is a long-term member and past president of the Rotary Club of North Chicago. For District 6440, he has held top leadership posts and is a long-term contributor to the Rotary Foundation and its End Polio Now initiative.

A Navy veteran, he supports military-related programs including veteran health advocacy and career development initiatives. He's a champion for childhood literacy and education through engagement with Rotary and other community initiatives.



Club Song

Refrain:

*Oh, I feel healthy, happy and terrific
Happy and terrific, that's the way I feel.
I feel healthy, happy and terrific,
Happy as a member of Rotary*

*Each morning I wake up I say a little prayer
And give thanks for the way I feel.
I greet the day with love in my heart
With a pride I can't conceal!*

Refrain:

Oh, I feel healthy...



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Alan Steiner talks all about the bass

Our speaker last week was our own member Greg Ehler, who is a captain in the Salvation Army and runs the Adult Rehabilitation Center.

Greg told us how at the center of the building is the chapel because the Lord is the center of everything. The goal of the center is to help the drunk, the unemployed and the addict to get planted in the church. When someone arrives at the center, they get their haircut, their beard cut and they get a new set of clothes. They get three meals a day for six months. The center takes care of all their needs. This is a work-training program and a client can stay there for up to one year at no cost to them.

The funding for the shelter comes from revenue generated by the four resale shops run by the Salvation Army. The stores are in Gurnee, Kenosha, McHenry and Racine. Greg said COVID last year forced them to reduce staff and hours because there was no income. Nevertheless, they were open from 10 to 6 and profits went through the roof.

Greg told us some of the great finds to come through the store, including a rare electric guitar, a Princess juke box, one of only four left in the world, and a hot tub

Greg ended by inviting us all to the annual alumni banquet at 4 p.m. on Oct. 10, where we can hear some of the great stories of recovery.

Our Last Meeting

Guests: Chris Kasperski, guest of **Greg Ehler**.

Announcements: President **Chris Suarez** announced that International Polio Day will be Oct. 24. District Gov. **Kevin Stevens** will visit our club on Oct. 7.

Brag: **Ken Rosko** bragged on his Texas attire as he plans to head south for a few weeks. **Randy Blaser** bragged on the Highway Cleanup clean-up crew for last week. Organized by **Jerry Groen**, the team included **President Chris, Randy Blaser, Charlie Mullin** and **Colleen Pacatte**.

School Minute: **John Ahlgrim** said Warren Township High School is celebrating Homecoming Week this week. There will be an outside movie tonight and pep rally Friday for the football game. Saturday night there will be the homecoming dance.

Veteran's Minute: **Patrick French** told us how the Hillsboro Rotary sells veteran and patriot themed hats to provide essentials for homeless veterans.

Drawing: **Randy Blaser** drew the eight of hearts.

