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Wednesday, October 18, 2017

Greeters: Bill Caisley & Alan Chapman
Lottery: Ron Timmerman & Carson Varner

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

Greeters: Andy Copenhaver & Rob Cranston
Lottery: Iris Varner & Dick Wagner



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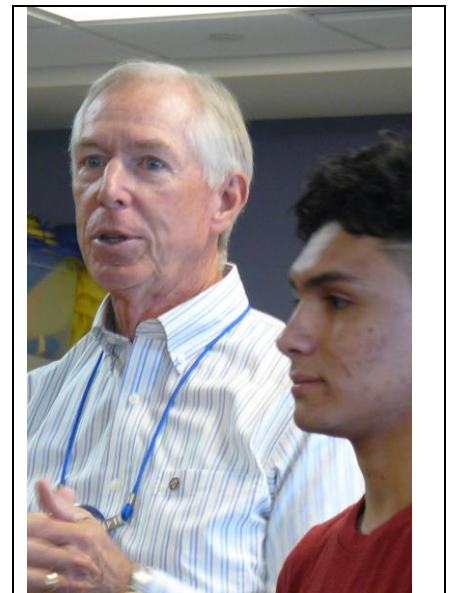
President Hank opened our off-site meeting Oct. 11 at the Children's Discovery Museum at 12:10. We met in the community room just off the music exhibits, enjoying many plinks and plunks during a lunch from Jimmy John's.

After Hank again reminded us to offer Normal Rotarians Don Rutledge and Connie Gentry our thoughts and prayers, Bill Semlak gave the reflection/invocation, and Dianne Schultz led us in a version of "My Country Tis of Thee" that President Hank characterized as "a bit uneven."



Noeli Anderson

Guests: Visiting Rotarians were Noeli and Paul Anderson from the Sunset Club, who were back to see old friends (Paul was a longtime member of the NRC), as well as to sell us Christmas wreaths and other holiday decorations to benefit Sunset projects.



Alan Chapman and
Cesar Sandoval

Students of the Month: Our Students of the Month talked about their extracurricular activities. Grace Magnuson from NCWHS (hosted by Bill Semlak) is involved in track, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the "Random Acts of Kindness Club." Rebekah Hagberg, also of NCWHS and the Bloomington Career Center (hosted by Scott Ice), participates in Cheer, the NCWHS Flute Choir and Skills USA. Cesar Sandoval of NCHS (hosted by Alan Chapman) said his main extracurricular activity is "helping other students." U-High student Alok Kamatar (hosted by Mark Jontry), is on the track and cross country teams.

Judge: President Hank preempted the judicial branch in order to accommodate our off-site program, but allowed for the Mystery Host (Andy Copenhaver) to award the ducat to Bruce Bergethon for the unheralded -- "if not terribly difficult" -- job of being Spoke Reporter.



Hank Campbell and Rebekah Hagberg

Lottery: This week's winner of the \$14 pot was President Hank, who drew the 8 of Hearts, rolling the big pot to over \$700 for next week. There are only 21 cards left in the deck!

Announcements:

--Oct. 24 is World Polio Day. The five local Rotary Clubs will pay to have announcements about Rotary International's goal of polio eradication on local billboards and media outlets.

--Sherry Hawkins noted that Octoberfest sponsorship results were \$2,500; she will have a fuller financial report next week.

--Paul and Noeli Anderson passed out sales flyers for the 2017 Sunset Rotary Club Holiday Decorations Fundraising Sale. Orders must be placed by next Wednesday, Oct. 18, with delivery the week

before Thanksgiving. Paul and Noeli's phone number is 309-452-7072.

--Andy Copenhaver announced that the Normal Rotary Poinsettia Sale will begin next week. Same prices as last year, distribution/delivery the first weekend in December.

--Stephanie McLellan invited us all to the uptown Heartland Bank Wealth Management team (of which she is a member) Open House. It's Thursday, Oct. 19 from 5-7 p.m. at 200 W. College Ave, 2nd floor. Food, refreshments, a warm welcome, and absolutely no single-handed pushups are promised.



Shelleigh Birlingmair



Brad Stefl

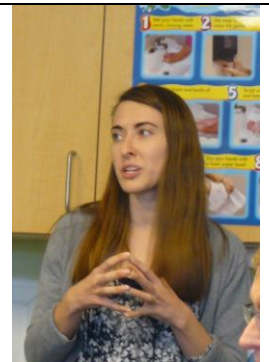
Program: Last May, the Children's Discovery Museum (CDM) and the Normal Rotary Club came together with a proposal to create a Mobile Pollination Education Station. Part of the vision was to take this show on the road to elementary schools and

community events in McLean County and beyond. We had a lively and dynamic presentation from some of the members of the CDM team, including Executive Director Shelleigh Birlingmair, who described the original grant, from the Bayer Crop Science Foundation, for developing a permanent pollination exhibit.

She then introduced Exhibit Manager Brad Stefl, who demonstrated some of the fun and interactive aspects of the exhibit, including a collaborative board game, a matching video/computer interface, and an opportunity to throw pollen balls into flowers (you had to be there!) Rachel Carpenter, Education Manager, explained how the activities of the exhibit allow young participants to learn what a pollinator is, and what the process of pollination involves. CDM Development Coordinator Teresa Decker talked about the broader initiative at the CDM to refresh and renew the Museum's second floor, dedicated to agriculture.



Rachel Carpenter



Teresa Decker

Thought For the Day:

“Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world”

--Nelson Mandela

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