



The Normal Spoke

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Wednesday, October 11, 2017 – Lunch & Meeting is at the Children's Discovery Museum in Uptown Normal

Greeters: John E. Bishop & Nancy Brokaw

Lottery: Ed Tanton & David Taylor

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

Greeters: Bill Caisley & Alan Chapman

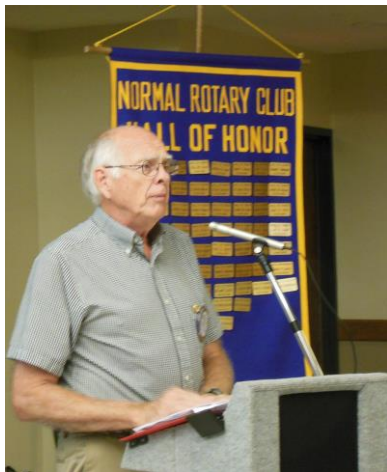
Lottery: Ron Timmerman & Carson Varner



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Normal Rotary President Hank Campbell opened the Oct. 4, 2017, meeting at 12:12. After reminding us to offer Normal Rotarians Don Rutledge and Connie Gentry our thoughts and prayers, Hank urged us to remember the many family and friends of those lost or suffering from the violence in Las Vegas.

Larissa McIlvain gave the reflection/invocation, and Greg Anvick led us in a reasonable version of "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

Guests: Steve Rasmussen, from the Bloomington Club, was the visiting Rotarian. Ray Ropp introduced (visiting Kiwanian) Carolyn Henson, U of I Extension/4H Youth Educator for McLean County, who brought us a poster, and thanks, from the 4H Youth involved in the annual Meal Packaging Event. The event received a \$220 donation from the Normal Rotary Club, which covered the costs of 10% of the 2,100 meals they prepared.

Students of the Month: A new group of Students of the Month talked about their future plans.

--Grace Magnuson from NCWHS (hosted by Bill Semlak) wants to attend the University of Illinois and become a math teacher.

--Rebekah Hagberg, also of NCWHS and the Bloomington Career Center (hosted by Scott Ice), wants to obtain a cosmetology license and eventually open her own salon.

--Jim Rosenlund was pinchhitting as host for NCHS student, Cesar Sandoval, who wants someday to teach ESL (English as Second Language.)

--U-High student Alok Kamatar (hosted by Mark Jontry), whose brother was student of the month in September, is planning to attend either the U of I or Texas A&M to pursue a degree in computer science.



The judicious Larissa McIlvain



The mysterious Ray Ropp, Matt Wyss and Art Drake

Judge: Larissa McIlvain conducted our monthly Rotary Member Trivia Contest, with Art Drake, Ray Ropp and Matt Wyss as the “mysterious personages.” Only one table of seven were able to successfully sort out the facts:

- Art’s grandchildren are Daniel, Justin, Cadence, Noah, Everleigh, Reese and Deacon.
- Ray Ropp was a handball champion in the Army.
- Matt Wyss has a BA in Agricultural Economics from the University of Illinois.



Matt Wyss

Matt spoke briefly about growing up on a farm between Eureka and Washington, and of always wanting to stay connected to agriculture. He graduated from U of I in 2008, and has worked as an appraiser and farm manager at Heartland Bank, where his clients primarily include absentee farm owners.

Mystery Host: Marcia Dennis is sending the \$2 to Don Rutledge, along with a get-well card she invited us all to sign.

Lottery: This week’s winner of the \$17 pot was Tom Gibson, who drew the Ace of Diamonds, rolling the big pot to about \$700 for next week.

Happy fines: Bill Semlak was glad to resolve some problems with “home electronics;” Hank Campbell was happy with the progress of the current Habitat for Humanity build; and our guest Carolyn Henson reiterated her thanks for the Club partnership with 4H.

Announcements:

- President Hank reminded us that the next club meeting, Oct. 11, will be off-site, at the Children’s Discovery Museum (second floor), with lunch.
- Oakdale Promise Council is off to a good start, with a “Bed Blitz” on Oct. 14 at Youth Build (360 Wylie Drive, Suite 305, Normal) at which volunteers will make 80 bed frames. See Hank if you’re interested.
- 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.

Birthday Auction: Six Normal Rotarians have birthdays this month, including Ron Timmerman, Tom Gibson, Linda Healy, Angie Fulton, Rob Cranston, and Drake Zimmerman. All six forgot to bring items for the auction! At least Drake was out of the country, but the rest apparently suffered from a severe case of forgetfulness. The Club judiciary, however, is likely to remember this oversight at a future meeting.



Speaker: John A. Bishop introduced Steve Rasmussen, assistant city manager for Bloomington. Steve is a retired Air Force colonel, and one of the organizers of Veterans Day One on One, coming up Thursday, Nov. 9 at the ISU Brown Ballroom.

Steve gave a brief presentation about the four previous iterations of the event, including some "then and now" photographs of Rotarians in their service uniforms (John Bishop was one of them!)



The One on One is not a fundraiser; the Rotary clubs raise just enough money to cover the costs of this event to honor the service of veterans from all five branches. The featured speaker for this year's event is William Reich, a POW in Vietnam, and Rasmussen's old roommate at the Air Force Academy.

Thought For the Day:

"Success is liking yourself, liking what you do, and liking how you do it!"

--Maya Angelou



BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL SUNRISE ROTARY PRESENTS:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2017

CHECK-IN: 11:30AM - 12:30PM

START TIME FOR 5K RUN & 1-MILE WALK: 1:00 PM

1750 GE Road, Bloomington

(North side of GE Road between Veterans Parkway & Hershey Street)

Early Packet Pick-up will be available

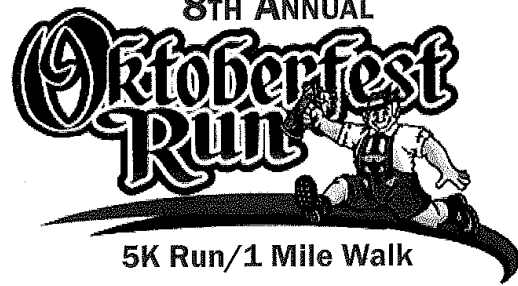
Saturday, October 14th: 4pm- 6pm at Fleet Feet Sports
(105 Krispy Kreme Drive, #5; Bloomington)

HOW TO REGISTER:

- > **By Mail:** (fill out back of this card)
- > **Online:**
<https://signup.itsracetime.com/Race/IL/Bloomington/OktobefestRotaryRun>
- > **At Fleet Feet Sports:** during early packet pick-up
- > **In person:** the day of the event (11:30am - 12:30pm)

POST-RACE OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION:

Join us after the 5k Run for food and festive music.
Runners & walkers admitted free; \$10 donation for non-racers.
*Beer is available for adults 21 years of age and older.



5K Run/1 Mile Walk

FOR MORE INFO: Contact Tom Herr:
(309) 533-1979 or trsherr@gmail.com

COST/DEADLINES:

- > **\$25:** entries received by Sept. 28th
- > **\$30:** entries received after Sept. 29th

All participants registered by 9/29/17 will receive an official Oktoberfest Run T-Shirt.
(NO SHIRT GUARANTEE AFTER 9/29/17)

Keep Up to Date on Run Details:
facebook.com/bnsunriserotaryrun



REGISTRATION FORM (One form per participant, please.)

Are you: **Running** **Walking (circle one)**

Name: _____ Male Female (circle one)

Are you a Rotarian? Yes No Club Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Date of Birth: mm dd yy Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

5K Run/1 Mile Walk



T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL (add \$3)

Entry Fee: \$ _____

Additional Donation to Rotary: \$ _____

Total Contribution: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: **B-N Sunrise Rotary**

Mail payment, registration & consent to:

B-N Sunrise Rotary
c/o Tom Herr
2805 Capen Drive
Bloomington, IL 61704

Don't forget to sign the waiver!

In consideration of this entry being accepted, I, for myself, my executors, administrators and assignees, do hereby release and discharge B-N Sunrise Rotary, City of Bloomington, Bloomington Police Benevolence Association, General Electric Corporation, and any sponsors and supporters of this run, including all directors, shareholders, officers, employees and volunteers, from all claims and damages, demands, actions, whatsoever in any manner arising out of or in connection with my participation in this event. I acknowledge the risk involved in this event and I attest that I am in good health and physically fit to participate in this event.

Signature: _____
Date: _____
(Parent/guardian if participant is under 18 years old)

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