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<p>Wednesday, July 17, 2013 – Meet in Faculty Staff Commons Head Table: Mark Comadena & Andy Copenhaver Greeters: Elleke Mesdag & John Morris Lottery: Rob Glover & Becky Goeckner Program: Chronic Disease Management: Kathryn Johnson, Assistant Director from PATH</p> <p>Wednesday, July 24, 2013 – Meet On Stage – Braden Auditorium Head Table: Rob Cranston & Ralph Dude Greeters: Matt Riehle & Ray Ropp Lottery: Gene Gudeman & Linda Healy Program: Mini-Grant Awardees: Judy Brucker, Executive Director of the Child Protection Network~Children’s Advocacy Center & CASA; Sarah Franzen, Development Director of Habitat for Humanity of McLean County</p>	 <p>Sustaining Members: Club RI Contributions:</p>	
<p>Reporter: Marcia Dennis</p>	<p>Photographer: Jeremy High</p>	<p>Editor: Becky Goeckner</p>

President Dale Strassheim rang the bell and called the meeting to order at 12:10. The invocation was given by Scott Carnes. Dale pointed out the new logo banner on the podium: Engage Rotary – Change Lives and challenged us to do just that. There were no visiting Rotarians or guests.

Announcements:

Bill Semlak announced the new date for the Adopt-a-Highway walk will be Saturday, July 13th at 9:00am. Dale announced the room schedule for the month of July: July 17th: Faculty Staff Commons (located behind Einstein’s Bagels), July 24th: Braden Auditorium Stage. Wow! Who will be the entertainment? , July 31st: Old Main.



Marcia Dennis reminded us of the Cardinal/Cubs game fund raiser for Literacy on Sunday, August 11th at 1:10 pm. Tickets are \$45.00 and can be purchased by mailing the form with your check and the tickets will be mailed to you. Be sure to fill in the blank for Club so that Normal will get credit for each ticket. Marcia has this form and it will also be attached to the Spoke.





Jim Carter gave us the news that Poinsettia Sales will be coming. (Talk about Christmas in July!) Jim explained that we will be encouraging the use of social media and ordering on line. He asked for our assistance with social media of which he has little familiarity.



Dale announced that we have now signed a contract with ISU for next year for our meeting place and meals. He thanked Rod Weigleemann for reading over the long contract and making sure everything was in order. Dale also announced that we will have bazillion guest students from Brazil on July 31st. Now that's a lot of students!

Andy Copenhaver passed around the committee sign-up sheet and gave kudos to Heather Dennis and Heather Beal for signing up for the social media committee.

Mystery Host: John Burrill gave the coveted \$2.00 bill to ???

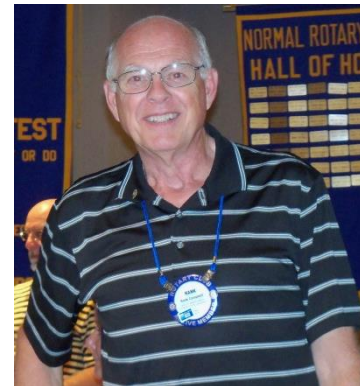
Alan Chapman won the lottery and set about collecting fines. Judge Marcia Dennis fined Ryan Fleming for being a fundraising STAR at the July 11th benefit. Happy fines were paid by Bill Semlak for a successfully completed surgery and Art Drake to thank the club for supporting his trip to Lisbon for the RI Convention. He offered to share his experiences with anyone. More people that were happy: Connie Gentry planned and attended her 50th High School Reunion and Hank Campbell was happy about his 46th wedding anniversary.



Bill Semlak & Alan Chapman



Connie Gentry



Hank Campbell

Program: Meghan Listek then introduced our program for today. We had two groups who had been awarded Mini Grants from our club: Center for Youth and Family Services and the Baby Fold.



Bill Kinzie, Meghan Listek, Angela Doyle and Bridget

First to speak was Bill Kinzie, FSW Supervisor from the Center for Youth and Family Services. He explained the programs there which include a wide variety of services including foster care services, adoption, youth intervention, residential services for youth, and even counseling for senior citizens. He mentioned that their services have been given to over 25,000 individuals and that have collaborated with almost 7,000 cases in 37 counties. Bill explained that their grant money will be used to help pay for Life Books. These are books that are made for children in foster care that document a child's life including schools attended, foster families and other special events in the child's life. These books are put together and given to the child so that they have a documented memory of their lives while in foster care.

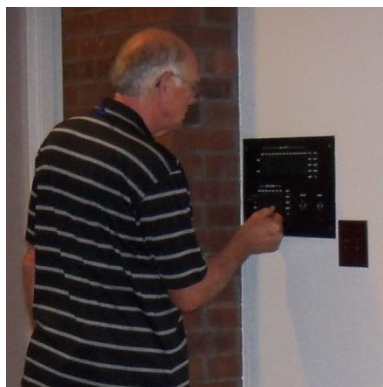
Angela Doyle, Foster Care Liaison from the Baby Fold and her assistant Bridget ? were then introduced from the Baby Fold. Amy explained Baby Fold foster care services. Bridgett told us about the program to be funded by our mini-grant; which is a Foster Parent Appreciation event. The grant will be used for games, special prizes, guests, and ice cream.

There were lots of great questions for these agency representatives. Thank you for sharing your stories with us!

The Circus Room is still under construction and today we were once again in The **Old Main** room. On July 17th we will be in the **Faculty Staff Commons**. On July 24th we WON'T be in the Atrium, instead we will be on the **STAGE of Braden Auditorium**. Bring your cameras that should be a site to see. After that we are scheduled to be back in Old Main until the Circus Room is done. Keep reading the Spoke for changes.



Thought for the Day: was from Rosa Parks: *“Memories of our lives, of our works and our deeds will continue in others.”*



Aha, now we know who turned off the lights!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

July 17 – Chronic Disease Management: Kathryn Johnson, Assistant Director from PATH **Meet in Faculty Staff Commons**

July 24 - Mini-Grant Awardees: Judy Brucker, Executive Director of the Child Protection Network~Children's Advocacy Center & CASA; Sarah Franzen, Development Director of

July 31 – Club Mixer

August 7 - Club Business & Birthday Auction

August 14 - Mini-Grant Awardee: Angela Hall, Director of Research, Grants and Communications for Girl Scouts

August 21 – A Building of Hope: Marci Schneider, Director of Development and Roger Hunt, Interim

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