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Wednesday, August 9, 2017

Greeters: Dale Strassheim & Ed Tanton Lottery: Linda Healy & Gene Jontry

Wednesday, August 16, 2017

Greeters: David Taylor & Ron Timmerman Lottery: Mark Jontry & Stephanie McClellan

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President Hank Campbell called the meeting to order following an enthusiastic meet and greet session. The Invocation was given by Bill Semlak, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the first verse of My Country Tis of Thee led by Matt Riehle

#### **Guests:**

Ray Ropp brought last year's McLean County Fair's 4-H King and Queen – Sara Wagner and Eli Tobin.

Scott Ice from Calvary Christian Academy returned for a second He is a prospective new member.



Ray Ropp, Eli Tobin & Sara Wagner



Scott Ice

### Announcements:

- Bill Semlak reported on the Adopt-a-Highway cleanup. They picked up 2 bags of trash and 2 bags of
- Hank reminded us of the District 6490 unique fall, Joint District Conference which blends with the Zone 30-31 Institute. The dates are Friday, September 8, and Saturday, September 9, at the Wyndham Springfield City Centre in Springfield, IL.



Today's Judge was John E Bishop.



The Mystery Host was Bayo Adanri. He gave the \$2 to prospective new member Scott Ice.



Rod Weigelmann won the Lottery. He did not draw the ace of spades, so the pot rolls over.

#### **Happy Fines:**

- Becky Goeckner was happy to have one of her former foreign exchange students from Germany come back to visit with his girlfriend.
- Linda Healy was happy that she had family visiting including a grandniece
- Dale Strassheim and his wife Carol are celebrating a wedding anniversary
- Hank Campbell announced that he will be celebrating his 77th birthday on Friday
- Jim Rosenlund

   just got back from a vacation with his wife which celebrated their 10th wedding
  anniversary. And they were able to make the trip "sans kids."







Linda Healy

Dale Strassheim

Hank Campbell

Jim Rosenlund





#### Trivia Game:

Based on clues members had to guess which clue matched the individuals in today's panel: Sherry Hawkins, Gordon Bidner, and John A. Bishop.

Tables with "wrong answers" had to pay up - \$1/person.

The correct answers were:

- Sherry Hawkins Refinishing old furniture
- Gordon Binder Sang in Choir and played cornet in High School
- John A. Bishop Missile combat crew commander in the Minuteman ICBM Weapon system. John shared some more information about his time in this role. He spent time in a capsule ready to launch a missile if needed.



**Birthday Auction:** Gordon Ropp presided over the August Birthday Auction with the able assistance of "ring-men/women" – Ray Ropp, Eli Tobin & Sara Wagner

#### Items up for the Birthday Auction:

- 4 Bags of Sweet Corn Sold for \$5 each to 4 Rotarians
- Flowers were purchased for \$22.50 by Marcia Dennis
- Goodie Basket went for \$20.00 to Dianne Schultz
- Honey from Drake Zimmerman's own bees sold for \$6 to Bayo Adanri, Surinder Sethi, and for \$5 to Jim Rosenlund
- A mug celebrating retirement was sold to Gordon Bidner
- Baby Fold T-Shirt, portable charger & mug were purchased by Drake Zimmerman
- Rotary Shirts 1 to Bill Semlak and 2 to Drake Zimmerman







Gordon Ropp

Gordon Ropp & Eli Tobin

Ray Ropp

At the end of the meeting Hank sent around committee sign-up sheets. It takes a lot of individuals to make Normal Rotary one of the most active clubs in the District; so be sure to volunteer!

## **Additional Photos from today:**



Greeters and Lottery Ticket Sellers & Buyers



Secretary Marcia Dennis



President Hank Campbell



Bill Semlak leads Adopt-a-Highway



New Member Dianne Schultz



Auctioneer Gordon Ropp

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