



The Normal Spoke

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September Birthdays – please bring a gift for the Birthday Auction

Gene Jontry	3
Bill Rolley	6
Ron Pacha	16
Bill Semlak	17
Dale Strassheim	27



Wednesday, September 6, 2017

Greeters: Dick Wagner & Rod Wiegelmann

Lottery: Vandana Naik & Robert Porter

Program: Club Business and Birthday Auction

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Greeters: Matt Wyss & Drake Zimmerman

Lottery: Radha Radakrishnan & Matt Riehle

Program: District Governor Larry Howell

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President Hank Campbell convened the August 30, 2017 meeting of the Normal Rotary Club, with Andy Copenhaver offering the reflection and Matt Riehle coming in for some criticism for his leading of the singing.

Hank updated the club on Don Rutledge's health situation. Don is coping as well as he can, and at this time he needs to focus on his treatments. It will be several weeks before he can accept help from fellow Rotarians. Keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Hank also noted that the family of Marcia Dennis is also coping with a health issue, and we Rotarians should keep them in mind as well. Connie Gentry needs to take it easy for several more weeks. Her knee replacement surgery had to be cancelled because it was discovered that she her femur had a stress fracture.



Hank Campbell

Guests: Stephanie Morstatter was the guest of Alan Chapman. Stephanie Sellers was the guest of Bill Semlak. Anna Wells was re-introduced as the guest of Paul Enchelmayer. Silas Scott the intern of our guest speaker.



Stephanie
Morstatter



Stephanie Seller



Anna Wells & Paul Enchelmayer



Silas Scott

Announcements:

- Tristan Bishop, daughter of Rotarian John E. Bishop, was featured in the Pantagraph, for raising thousands of dollars to buy VeinViewer Flex, a device to help pain and discomfort suffered by cancer patients. Tristan got the idea while her mother, Rebecca, was undergoing cancer treatment.
- Hank noted that Rotarians will be marching in the Labor Day Parade, starting at 9:30 a.m. at the Grossinger Motors Arena. Wear Rotary shirts and khaki pants or shorts. Also, Hank urged us to remember everyone who works on Labor Day.
- Don't forget to register for the Joint District Conference, which is coming right up. See the details in the latest District Newsletter. The event includes a robust lineup of speakers, Hank noted.
- The club Board of Directors is expected to meet sometime next week.
- District Governor Larry Howell will visit Normal Rotary on September 13. Please plan to attend to welcome him. He will be looking for money for Polio Plus.
- Sherry Hawkins circulated a sign-up sheet for Octoberfest, which will be held Sept. 23 in Uptown Normal. We need help. We need sponsors.
- A 4-H Meal Packaging project for hunger awareness in McLean and Livingston counties will be held Sept. 30, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Interstate Center. We need to raise \$2,200, plus transportation expenses. An appeal for \$1,650 is asked of Rotary Clubs from District 6490.



Dick Wagner

- Dick Wagner said Rotary is organizing a way to donate to hurricane relief efforts in Texas and Louisiana. Details will come soon.



- Bill Sendlak announced that he will try to have Adopt-A-Highway at 9 a.m. Saturday, September 9 at the usual location.



Bill Sendlak

Mystery Host Paul Enchelmayer presented the coveted \$2 to guest Anna Wells for all she does in the community.

Art Drake won the \$21 in the day's **Lottery** drawing, but missed out on the \$578 big pot because he drew the wrong dang card.



The pot rolls over, which should make someone happy any day now!



Art Drake & Hank Campbell



David Taylor

Judge David Taylor extorted money from Nancy Brokaw, Hank Campbell and Drake Zimmerman for various past transgressions. The judge fined Jim Rosenlund in advance for his many anticipated faux pas.

As far as happiness goes, Linda Healy was relieved that her friends down south are safe following Hurricane Harvey. Becky Goeckner's granddaughter Ivy was pictured on the same page as Nancy Steele-Brokaw for the 4th of July Celebrate America Program. Dianne Schultz was happy that the fund-raiser for the clinic in Lamu was such a great event. Regarding the same event, Hank Campbell was impressed by the food and service provided by Epiphany Farms.



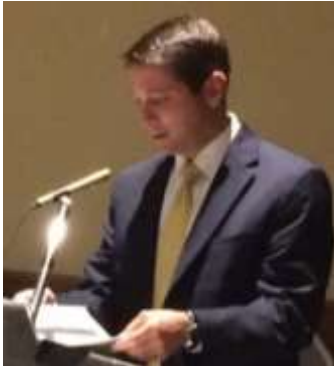
Nancy Steele-Brokaw & Ray Ropp



Drake Zimmerman



Jim Rosenlund & Matt Riehle



Jason Barickman

Program:

The speaker was State Senator Jason Barickman. He has been deeply involved in the effort to reform school funding since he was first elected to the Senate in 2012. Illinois spends \$8 billion on schools, but the way it has been distributed doesn't make sense, he said. The old funding system has given short shrift to poor rural school districts.



The reform package that has passed through the legislature and is expected to be signed by the governor is the product of years of negotiation and compromise. It contains something for everyone to dislike, but it contains enough good changes to deserve support, Jason said. The process shows that the parties can work together to make meaningful progress for Illinois, he added.

Hank's Thought for the Day from Helen Keller: "The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision."



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 yyy Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

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!

5K Run/1 Mile Walk



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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