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Wednesday, January 16, 2019

Greeters: Scott Ice & Miranda Johns-Cummings

Lottery: Connie Gentry & Becky Goeckner

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Greeters: Gene Jontry & Mark Jontry

Lottery: Gene Gudeman & Fred Hahn



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President Sherry Hawkins rang the bell and asked that everyone greet each other at 12:05 p.m. For the invocation President Sherry shared an inspiration from "Be a Winner":

The Winner is always part of the answer. The Loser is always part of the problem.

The Winner says, "Let me do it for you". The Loser says "That's not my job".

The Winner sees an answer for every problem. The Loser sees a problem for every answer.

The Winner sees a green near every sand trap. The Loser sees two or three traps near every green.

The Winner says "It may be difficult but it's possible". The Loser says "It may be possible but it's too difficult".

The club faced the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance followed by singing "My County 'Tis of Thee".

Bad Jokes:

- Never laugh at your wife or girlfriend's choices; after all you are one of them.
- You are like asthma, you take my breath away.

January Students of the Month:

Nancy Steele Brokaw introduced Ella Joaquin. Ella is a senior at NCHS and is active in Math Club, and Science. She may attend U. of Chicago and major in International Relations.

Miranda Johns-Cummings introduced Joshua Nepomoceno from U-High. Joshua likes to run track, is on the varsity team and is a member of the National Honor Society. He may attend Georgia Tech. and major in computers.



Ella Joaquin & Nancy Steele Brokaw



Miranda Johns-Cummings & Joshua Nepomoceno

Announcements and Club News:

- PETS will be held March 17-18. Please sign up if not already.
- Evening Program: Committee working on details.
- Jim Roseland's band "Jim Blossums" will be playing at Legends, on the 18th at 7:30 p.m.
- Stephanie McClellan gave a thumb nail year-end financial report for the Normal Rotary Foundation. In the funding of Coats for Kids we are currently down \$10K compared to this time last year. So, all contributions are appreciated.



Ron Timmerman

- Ron Timmerman gave a report on the upcoming Applebee's fund raiser on Saturday, January 19th from 8-10 a.m. Tickets cost \$5, the club retaining \$4. We hope to raise \$1200 for the club.
- Marcia Dennis gave her Secretary's Report.



Sherry Hawkins & Marcia Dennis

Secretary's Report:

30 people are here today for the meeting

Jan. 2019 Membership = 67 members + 2 honorary = 69. Source: (DACdb)

Our highest membership years

- 2015-16 with 82 members
- 2016-17 = 74
- 2017-18 = 69

New Members for 2017-18 = 8

Members terminated in 2017-2018 = 14

- Reasons given for termination:
 - Business change = 4
 - Relocation = 3
 - Non payment = 1
 - Health concerns = 2
 - Deceased = 4

Perfect Attendance so far this year, 2018-2019:

Greg Anvick
Gordon Bidner
Bruce Bergethon
John A. Bishop
John E. Bishop
William Caisley
Hank Campbell
Marcia Dennis
Becky Goeckner
Fred J. Hahn
Linda Healy
Ray Ropp
Art Runyon
Bill Semlak
Surinder Sethi
Drake Zimmerman

Please e-mail Marcia mldenni@ilstu.edu if you think you should have perfect attendance.

Unanimously elected were the Slate of **Officers and Board Members for 2019-2020:**

President; John E. Bishop

President: Elect Fred Hahn

Vice President: Dianne Schultz

Treasurer: Ryan Fleming

Secretary: Marcia Dennis

Board Members: David Taylor (Community Service), Dayna Brown-Nielsen (Club Service), Larissa McIlvain (Publicity), Angie Bubon (Foundation and International)



Dayna Brown-Nielsen
& Hank Campbell

Mystery Host was Hank Campbell, who gave the \$2 bill to Dayna Brown-Nielsen for putting together a fantastic holiday party and then coping with the Unit # 5 bus accident later that same evening.

Judge David Taylor drew the winning ticket held by Bill Caisley, who drew the 9 of Clubs. Bill won \$20, but not the pot which sits at \$704 U.S. American dollars!

Only 12 cards left in the deck!



Bill Caisley & David Taylor

Happy Fines:

- Becky Goeckner had the pleasure of getting acquainted with four ISU international students, 2 from Germany, one from the Netherlands, and one from Nigeria.
- Hank Campbell noted that the Puerto Rico Solar Project was unable to launch in December due to a delayed shipment. It is now scheduled to get started January 7th, our club has helped fund this.

Today's **Birthday Auction** featured the theme: "Super Bowl Ready", for members having birthdays in November, December, and January. For such an auspicious occasion we rose and sang Happy Birthday twice to all the birthday babies today!

NOVEMBER: 28-Gordon Bidner; 29-Rod Weigelmann.

DECEMBER: 2-Dayna Brown-Nielsen; 4-Andy Copenhaver; 9-Lindsey Smith; 10-Gene Gudeman; 19-Bill Caisley; 21-Miranda Johns-Cummings; 25-Radha Radhakrishnan.

JANUARY: 3-Fred Hahn; 6-Ed Tanton; 24-Art Drake.



Ray Ropp

Ray Ropp conducted the Birthday Auction in his brother Gordon's absence. Various items bid on included golf ball-sized chocolates, T-Shirts with Mugs, Wine, Kentucky bourbon, a Table-Top Basketball Game, and a Football Bank filled with popcorn, and a Big Basket full of treats to nosh on while watching the game. Those items brought in \$210 in proceeds! All proceeds aided Coats for Kids.

Thank you for bidding!



Jim Rosenlund



President Sherry's Thought For the Day:

"Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for, we are the change." ~ Barack Obama

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