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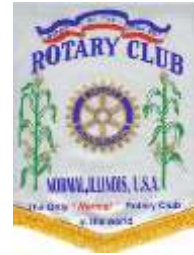
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Wednesday, January 9, 2018

Greeters: Fred Hahn & Linda Healy

Lottery: Paul Enchelmayer & Ryan Fleming

Program: Club Business – **Birthdays Auction celebrating November, December & January Birthdays – Theme: Super Bowl Ready!**



Wednesday, January 16, 2018

Greeters: Scott Ice & Miranda Johns-Cummings

Lottery: Connie Gentry & Becky Goeckner

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Sherry
Hawkins

President Sherry Hawkins opened the meeting at 12:07. Dale Strassheim gave the invocation, followed by a brave but ultimately polytonal version of “My Country ‘Tis of Thee.”

Our attendance was small, only enough to fill 4 tables, but augmented by guest Scott Preston, Normal Town Council member, who introduced his fiancée (and program presenter) Ali Seys.

Sherry shared some “amazing facts for the day” from “the Book of the Face,” including that there were art competitions at the 1912 and 1948 Olympics, escalators (or the lack of them) in Wyoming, and a “Tomorrowland” exhibit at Disneyworld’s 1955 opening – set in futuristic 1986, “probably before you were even born,” grinned Sherry.



Dale
Strassheim



Scott Preston

The Board has announced the slate of officers 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)

The membership will vote on the slate of candidates at our next scheduled meeting on January 9th in the Circus Room.

Announcements and Club News:

1. Art Drake pled (well, he used the word “laggards”) for Spoke writers and photographers for January/February/March. Somewhat to his surprise, he immediately received volunteers for January – Jack Moody for writing and Larissa McIlvain for photography.
2. Ron Timmerman previewed Flapjacks fundraiser at Applejacks on January 19. Sign-up sheets to follow.

3. Jim Rosenlund's band will be performing at Legends on January 18th at 7:30.



Larissa McIlvain & Sherry Hawkins

4. Larissa McIlvain passed out a flyer describing the new quarterly Birthday Auctions for the next several months. Our January 9th auction will celebrate birthdays from November, December and January. Members with birthdays in those months are asked to bring an auction item of \$20 value, with a description of the item, meeting the theme of "Super Bowl Ready!" Larissa promised that birthday members will receive an email reminder in early January.



"Super Bowl Ready!"



Connie Gentry

5. Connie Gentry gave a final call to fill the boots on our tables to help fund Coats For Kids.



6. Home Sweet Home will do its 3rd annual homelessness simulation, "Night In a Car" on February 1 at 7 pm, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 801 S. Madison in Bloomington. Participants are challenged to raise \$1,000 per car.



David Taylor

Judge Dave Taylor called for the **Mystery Host**. It was Art Runyon, who awarded the \$2 to his Thanksgiving co-presenter/interlocutor Gordon Bidner for being "equally old." "Only 28," said Gordon.

Greg Anvick won the \$17 **Lottery**, but was unable to pocket the big pot of \$674 when he drew the Eight of Hearts. Only 13 cards left in the deck, and one of them is the winning Ace of Spades!



Gordon Bidner & Art Runyon



Art Drake



Greg Anvick

Judge David noted that Angie Bubon had been in the Pantagraph in conjunction with the Salvation Army's struggling Kettle Campaign, and urged us to be generous in this holiday season. **Happy Fines followed:**

- Carson Varner, told a long story about the conjunction of the US space program with his marriage to Iris 50 years ago
- Fred Hahn, seated at the same table, and celebrating the same anniversary on December 22
- Mark Jontry, expressing amazement and gratitude for the more than 70 people who signed up to be substitute teachers.

- Gordon Bidner, for a granddaughter graduating from Iowa State University
- Hank Campbell, happy about a trip to Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and for Ray Ropp, for getting the new cheese production facility opened at the farm



Carson Varner



Fred Hahn



Mark Jontry



Gordon Bidner



Hank Campbell



Ali Seys



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Program: Ali Seys is the Program Coordinator for Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Illinois. She is also the assistant women’s soccer coach at Heartland Community College, received her undergraduate and master’s degrees in public relations/communication from ISU, and is planning her wedding in Fall 2019.

Ali was in part inspired to get involved with MADD by being one of the survivors of the DUI-related accident that claimed the life of ISU student Michael Collins. She is one of five fulltime employees of the statewide MADD organization; two of the other FTEs are involved in MADD’s victim services, which accounts for 61% of the agency’s annual \$600,000 budget. There were 645 DUIs in McLean County in 2017, with over 330 related fatalities in the state of Illinois.

Beside victim services, other activities of MADD include the Power of You(th), which reached 2000 students in 2018 with anti-underage drinking messages, and the Power of Parents; both of these programs are coordinated by Ali. The organization is also involved in victim impact panels (over 4000 offenders participated last year), court monitoring, and legislative lobbying (most recently HB 4554, which stiffened penalties for DUI.) The organization’s primary fundraiser, Walk Like MADD, raised \$90 K in 2018. December is National Impaired Driving Prevention Month, and Ali urged us to participate by reporting impaired drivers or vehicles, making a donation to MADD IL, or volunteering to help MADD events or speakers.



President Sherry’s Thought For the Day:

“The only way to make sense of change is to plunge into it, move with it and join the dance.”
- Alan Watts

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