



THE NORMAL SPOKE

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President Ryan Fleming called his first meeting of the new Rotary year to order. Bill Semlak gave our invocation. We were served a delicious lunch of Pizza Payaa and Owner Adam ElPayaa delivered them personally and chatted with members. We also received vouchers for a free pizza on future orders. Thank you, Adam!



Announcements:

- Our July 20 meeting will take place at Colene Hoose Elementary School. Dayna will send directions.
- District Governor Connie Walsh will be visiting our club on July 27
- Larissa passed sign-up sheets around for invocation and Spoke help.

You may also sign up online:

- Spoke: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044caaad2aa3fa7-thespoke>
- Invocations: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044caaad2aa3fa7-normal>



Adam ElPayaa, Pizza Payaa



Larissa McIlvain



Mystery Host: John E. Bishop presented the \$2 to Larissa McIlvain for serving and sharing in the role of playing “double duty” at today’s meeting.

Lottery: The day’s prize was \$13. Becky Goeckner was our weekly winner, but failed to draw the Ace of Spades. The big pot rolls over to next week.

Birthdays: We celebrated the following birthdays this week:

- Chris Koos
- Bob Hunt
- Bruce Bergethon - Bruce paid \$5 to share with us that his father is from Norway and Bruce visited his hometown on his 12th birthday with his father and younger brother. This year, Drake Zimmerman is visiting the same Norway town on Bruce’s birthday. Happy birthday, Bruce!

Judge: Bruce Bergethon collected happy fines:

- Hank and Mary Campbell celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary
- Dayna is happy to see Pizza Payaa being successful in their business - You can take home an extra pizza for \$5 to the club.
- Dayna’s mom and sister both work in Highland Park but she is grateful they were with her at the Towanda July 4th parade instead. Dayna led us in a moment of reflection for those who lost their lives and were wounded in the shooting.
- David Hirst and his wife celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary and are celebrating a week of Shakespeare with extended family.



Judge Bruce Bergethon



John E. Bishop presents \$2 to
Larissa McIlvain



Becky Goeckner wins the weekly
lottery



Program:

President Ryan Fleming introduced himself to our club as our new president. He shared our club goals for the year and his focus to bring back our committee work. (presentation attached)

Club members should sign up for at least one committee, but may serve on more than one.

Thought for the Day:

“If you don’t know where you are going, you might wind up someplace else.” – Yogi Berra

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PHF – Paul Harris Fellow HH – Hall of Honor PHF* - Paul Harris Fellow/Stone PHS – Paul Harris Society	DHH - District Hall of Honor HM – Honorary Member MD – Major Donors PP – Past President	DNRY- District New Rotarian of the Year PDG – Past District Governor	BS – Bequest Society Member DRY-District Rotarian of the Year GWRY – George Wolf Rotarian of the Year



2022-2023 Goals

Normal Rotary Club

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ROTARY CITATION

Achieve 13 goals in 5 different areas

- Members & Engagement
- Rotary Foundation Giving
- Service
- Young Leaders
- Public Image

MEMBERS & ENGAGEMENT

- Net 1 New Member. Total Membership of 57
- 25 members participate in a service activity.
- 3 different members to sponsor a new member
- 3 members attend our District Conference

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

- \$5,700 total from club. This would be \$100 per member.
- \$1,000 to Polio Plus.

SERVICE

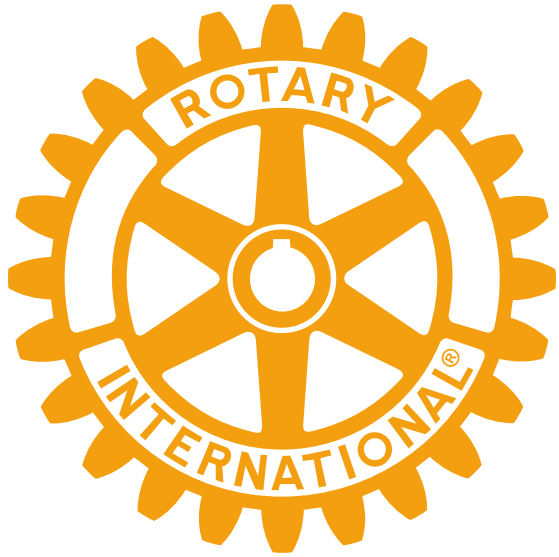
- 6 service projects
 - Safe Harbor, Midwest Food Bank, etc.
 - Small, quick hits that do a lot of good
 - Several opportunities to help with schedules

YOUNG LEADERS

- Engagement with Interact Club
 - Full Club involvement
 - Build the next generation

PUBLIC IMAGE

- Keep an updated online presence
- 4 Social Activities
- Update website or social media 6 times per year
- 4 media stories about club projects
- Use of official Rotary promotional material to promote Rotary



COMMITTEES

Normal Rotary Club

CLUB ADMINISTRATION – OPEN

- Club Meeting Programs
- Meeting Scheduling and Meals
- Invocation/Reflection speakers
- Judges
- Banners
- Rural Urban Night

CLUB MEMBERSHIP – BRUCE BERGETHON

- New member recruitment & orientation
- New member mentoring
- New member induction
- Hall of Honor

CLUB PUBLICITY – LARISSA MCILVAIN

- Spoke newsletter
- District newsletter
- Digital media
- Traditional media
- Club web page
- Schedule greeters and lottery

COMMUNITY CONCERNS – DAVID TAYLOR

- Oakdale Elementary School
- Coats for Kids
- Poinsettia Sales
- Literacy program
- Adopt a Highway
- Oktoberfest
- Community service opportunities

ROTARY FOUNDATION AND INTERNATIONAL PROJECT – HANK CAMPBELL

- The Rotary Foundation
- Normal Rotary Foundation
- Rotary Youth Exchange
- RYLA
- Group Study Exchange
- District and International grants/projects