



THE NORMAL SPOKE

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President Fleming led 31 members and 2 guests of the club in the Pledge and the singing at the ISU Alumni Center. Fred Hahn served as photographer and Alan Chapman greeted members and guests. Rob Cranston gave the reflection and Hank Campbell sold lottery tickets. We enjoyed soup from Jason's Deli on this cold day!

Guests: Lyndsey Meister from Sunrise Rotary and Pamela Sweetwood, guest of Connie Gentry



Lyndsey Meister



Pamela Sweetwood



Surinder Sethi

Announcements:

- Surinder Sethi gave an overview of his recent trip to India that included an unexpected funeral and Rotary activities.
- Nominations for the Club's Collie and Wilz Service Awards are being accepted through March 1
- On Thursday, Feb. 9, members of Normal Rotary will serve a meal at Safe Harbor. Ron Timmerman reports that he has filled his volunteer roster of Normal Rotarians to serve that meal!! Monetary donations to offset the cost of the meal can be directed to Ron.



- Dayna is selling Super Bowl squares for \$2/sq Half to the winner/half to club initiatives. Next week's meeting is your last chance!
- March 18-19 will be the President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) in Effingham. See Ryan for details.
- The annual District Foundation Dinner will be April 2.
- The District Assembly for Current and Future Officers will be held on April 29 at The Forum at Carle in Urbana
- Lyndsey Meister from Sunrise Rotary joined us to remind everyone that the all-club (5 B-N clubs) social will be on Thursday, February 23, 2023 from 5-7p @ Rob Dob's. Please RSVP:
- Connie Gentry gave an update on the Coats for Kids efforts this year: 702 coats were distributed after raising \$10,159 for the effort; avg. coat cost was \$15.95. Connie asks if you come across some deals (<\$25/coat) as the clearance season moves forward, let her know!
- Connie re-introduced our former member Pamela Sweetwood...it was good to see her! Pamela shared that since she had to step away from NRC a decade ago for her work, she has beaten 2 brain tumors and retired from both Heartland CC and Faith in Action.



Dayna with the Super Bowl Squares



Lyndsey Invites us to the all club social



Connie Gentry updates us on Coats for Kids

Mystery Host: Surinder recognized Hank Campbell for his efforts on the India project.

Lottery: Hank Campbell had his number called for the 2nd time in 4 weeks but did not draw the card that would grant him the new pot.

Birthdays: David Hirst celebrated his birthday today! He was not with us, but we wish him a happy birthday!

Happy Fines: Many happy fines were shared as Judge Healy presided, including Angie Boubon's twins turning 2!; Larissa's daughter pulled her own loose tooth; Fred relayed a pleasant experience he had at the local Social Security Administration office....and the Judge Caisley noted the joy in seeing Pamela Sweetwood.

The program was a quiz on Presidential history/facts/quips.



Surinder Sethi presents \$2 to Hank Campbell



Hank Campbell wins the little lottery



Judge Linda Healy



Angie Bubon



Larissa McIlvain



Bill Caisley



Thought for the Day: "We cannot solve problems with the kind of thinking we employed when we came up with them." – Albert Einstein





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