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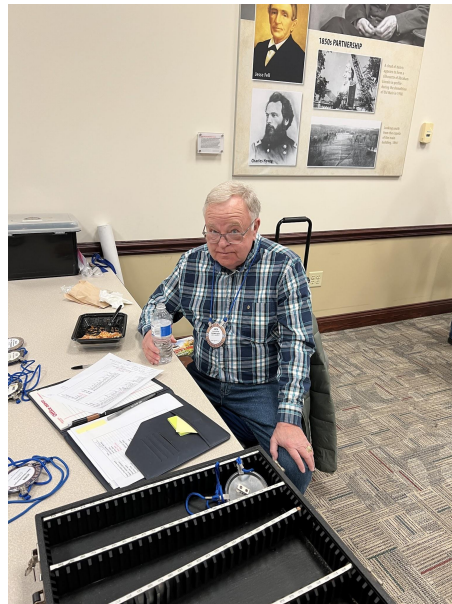
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President Ryan Fleming convened the Feb. 8, 2023, meeting of the Normal Rotary Club at the ISU Alumni Center. Ray Ropp gave the invocation.

Guests: Jim Trefzger (our speaker) from Bloomington Rotary, Bob Trefzger, Brian Beam, guest of David Hirst.



Jason's Deli lunch



Jack Moody



Rob Cranston

Announcements:

- Safe Harbor dinner was scheduled for Feb. 9. The Safe Harbor shelter for the homeless needs new or used bath towels. Bring them to Rotary or drop them off at Safe Harbor.
- Nominations for the Jack Wilz and Jim Collie Awards are being accepted until March 1.
- PETS will be held March 18-19 in Effingham. That's training for Rotary Club presidents-elect.
- The District Foundation Dinner will be held April 2.
- On April 29, there will be a District Assembly for current and future Rotary Club officers at The Forum at Carle in Urbana.

- Members of all B-N Rotary Clubs will meet at an All Clubs Happy Hour, 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at Rob Dob's.
- Dayna was busy filling the Super Bowl board.
- Angie Bubon said applications have been made available for Normal Rotary scholarships. The board approved an additional scholarship for Bloomington Area Career Center students. Angie circulated a sheet to sign up for student interviews. The club's scholarship banquet will be held May 10.
- Art Drake announced that NCHS Interact has made signs and decorations for a section of the high school to promote awareness of mental health. Interact members also are looking at other volunteer opportunities at Carriage Crossing and thinking about outdoor work at Ewing Manor and the Park District and the Boys and Girls Club. And they're looking at a shoe recycling program.



Angie Bubon



Art Drake



Ron Timmerman

Mystery Host: Ray Ropp presented the \$2 to Surinder Sethi in honor of Surinder's role in the Rotary Friendship Exchange.

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: Alan Chapman celebrated his birthday by attending our meeting via Zoom because of covid. Alan also celebrated his long relationship with the Trefzger family. We sang to him.

Happy Fines: Judge David Taylor collected happy fines:

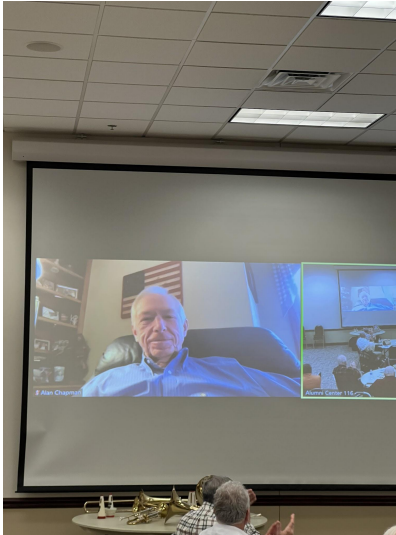
- Linda Healy was happy about a trip to Tuscon to visit friends and enjoy the weather.
- Miranda Johns-Cummings paid in honor of her wedding anniversary.



- David Hirst was happy to be turning Medicare eligible. He celebrated by attending two shows.



Judge David Taylor



Happy birthday, Alan!



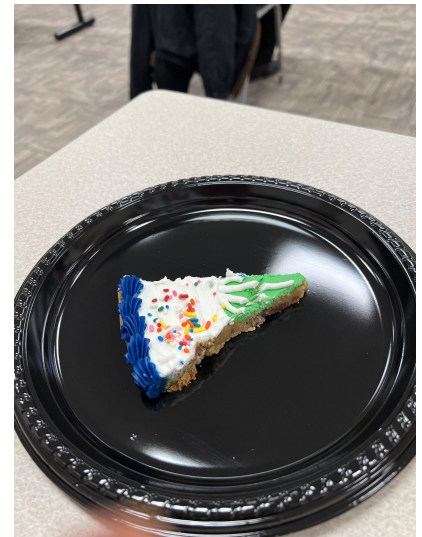
Surinder Sethi



Ray Ropp



Bill Semlak

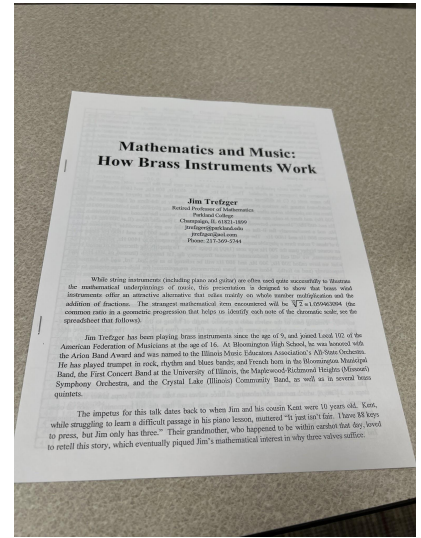


Yummy treat

Program: Our speaker was Jim Trefzger, a retired professor of mathematics at Parkland College. He taught for more than 35 years and has co authored three textbooks. He plays French horn and trumpet in the community. His topic was the mathematical underpinnings of music, particularly brass instruments.

This was complicated stuff, involving hertz, harmonics, conical bores and a garden hose, which Jim calls his French hose. In brass instruments, the valves direct the column of air and sound waves down different tubes or combinations of tubes. The longer the path that the air must follow, the lower the

pitch. Before valves were introduced to brass instruments, brass musicians carried with them cases full of a variety of lengths of tubes that they could insert to change key. Today's trombone players change the length of the tubes with their arm movement.



Thought for the Day: "Music gives a soul to the universe." -Plato

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