



Birthdays

Edward M. Krol
August 21st
Kenneth A. Buel
PDG
August 22nd
Guy C. Hall
August 22nd
Nicholas R.
Melrose
August 25th
John Steven
Knoblett
August 26th
Edward
Delaporte V
August 27th
Kris Bell
August 27th
Roland White
August 28th
Kyle Robeson
August 28th
Marlys J.
Scarborough
September 2nd
Alan Wilcox
Haussermann
September 4th
John W. Wright
September 7th
W. Todd Salen
September 8th
Peter T Tomaras
September 10th
Stephen D.
Hamburg
September 11th
Michael
DeLorenzo
September 11th
Claudette
Gonsiorowski
September 12th
Scott Dahman
September 13th
Carol Timms
September 15th
Francis J. Jahn
September 19th

Wedding Anniversaries

Janet Ellis-
Nelson
August 20th
Douglas Nelson
August 20th
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Events

August 24th
[City of Champaign Police](#)

August 31st
[November 2020 Election](#)

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August 24: City of Champaign Police

City of Champaign Chief of Police Anthony Cobb will be introduced by **Steve Carter**.

NOTE: This meeting will be conducted online, via [Zoom](#).



Anthony Cobb

Bring Your Pet to Rotary Day (August 24)

August 24th is Bring Your Pet to Rotary Day!



Pets have made quarantine and isolation more manageable for many. During Zoom meetings we have sometimes caught glimpses of furry housemates. August 24th will be

August 30th
Danielle
Matthews
September 2nd
Roland White
September 2nd
John Steven
Knoblett
September 6th
Kenneth A. Buel
PDG
September 7th
Edward
Delaporte V
September 8th
Joanna
Delaporte
September 8th

the day to officially show off your pets and introduce them to your Rotary friends! Our Zoom session that day will be opened at 11:30am to give you a chance to join early to introduce your pet, or a photo of your pet if you are back in the office. We will start the regular meeting at noon.

Action Auction Facility Arrangement Committee

If any members are interested in participating in the 2022 Action Auction Facility and Arrangement Committee, please resume on the Zoom meeting on Monday, August 24. The committee will discuss next steps and discuss how you can assist. If you cannot stay on the Zoom meeting, please reach out to Abbie Osterbur.

August 22: Service Project

The [Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club](#) is seeking volunteers on August 22nd to participate in Back 2 School Illinois ♦ Build-A-Kit & Distribution Event to help assemble and give out Back 2 School kits to children from low-income families. Volunteers should wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Due to COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines- social distancing will be enforced and a mask will be required. They will be doing a temperature check and asking volunteers to sign a waiver before entering the building.
Date: Saturday, August 22nd
Time: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (various shifts available)
Location: Don Moyer Boys & Girls Club, 201 E. Park Street, Champaign.

TO VOLUNTEER CLICK THE FOLLOWING LINK:

<https://forms.gle/WVQhPrHux4Xp6Zus7>

Announcements (August 24th, 2020)

August Membership Month Info

As Membership Co-Chair, Renae Cory, told us at our last meeting, we are hoping to attract potential new members to our August meetings. Renae and Rebecca Ries have created Facebook events for our meetings on August 17, 24, and 31. **If you are on Facebook, please LIKE and SHARE these events with your Facebook friends. Please also mark that you are GOING to each Event to help the event be successful and be seen by more people**

You can go to the Rotary Club of Champaign's Facebook page and click on Events to access the links. When thinking about who to invite to meetings during this Membership Month, think about which professions are not represented in our club. Keep in mind that only 27% of our club members are women. Do you have a family member (daughter, son, husband, wife, mother, or father) who would benefit from membership in our club? Help us to build out club so that we can make a greater impact in serving our community and the world!</p></div>

The last three meetings in August will be virtual and should be of high interest:

August 24 ♦ Police Chief Anthony Cobb will give us an update on policing in Champaign.

August 31 ♦ County Clerk Aaron Ammons will talk about the November election and mail in ballots.

Thank you to the Program Committee and Membership Committee for putting together some great programs/events in August! As we are limited to 100 members attending our Zoom club meetings, tell your guests to log in a few minutes before noon to guarantee their place at our meeting.

Chat & Chew Event - August 29, 2020

The Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee invites you to attend Champaign Rotary's first ever "Chat & Chew" event on Saturday, August 29, from 9-10:30 AM in Skelton Park (82 East Washington St., Champaign). The discussion will revolve around the question "At what point did you see opportunities for yourself through Rotary?" and will allow members to hold conversations about barriers that Rotary has faced in the past and how the organization as a whole is overcoming those obstacles. Because of limited social-distanced space at the park, **RSVPs are required for the event and can be sent to Rebecca Ries at r.ries.94@hotmail.com**. A maximum of 20 attendees will be allowed

AT WHAT POINT DID YOU SEE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOURSELF THROUGH ROTARY?

**LET'S CHAT
& CHEW
ABOUT IT!**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

9-10:30AM

SKELTON PARK (82 EAST WASHINGTON ST, CHAMPAIGN)



RSVPS REQUIRED TO R.RIES.94@HOTMAIL.COM
MAXIMUM OF 20 ATTENDEES

In-Person Meetings

Target Date for In-Person Meetings



If coronavirus case numbers are stable in our community and the state, we hope to return to in-person meetings at the Round Barn Center on October 5th, meeting in-person just once a month to start. Social distancing, masks, and other safety measures will be employed. Reservations and advance lunch payments will be necessary. A letter will be sent to all Rotarians a couple of weeks before this date with the details. We will continue to Zoom our meetings even when we meet in person.

Meet Our Newest Member

Thursday, August 20, 2020



Kristopher ♦Kris♦ Bell grew up in Danville, Illinois where he had a variety of work and volunteer experiences. He recently moved to Champaign to join the Matt Difanis Team for RE/MAX Realty as Listing Coordinator. Kris holds certifications in Anger Management, Mental Health First Aid, and as a Facilitator for National Fatherhood, Domestic Violence Advocate, and as a coach. He was the Head Basketball Coach for the Danville River Hawks Professional Basketball Club from 2014 to 2017. Kris has served as a mentor to youth and young adults at the Boys and Girls Club of Danville, Project Success, Danville School District 118 elementary and middle schools and through coaching. He plays the piano/keyboard, drums, writes music, and is a sound engineer. Kris has received two National Music Producer Awards and four awards for volunteerism. He joined Champaign Rotary in August 2020 to get to know the community and Rotary members, serve, network, and develop new friendships. He wants to continue to grow, coach, and help people, as well as write music that is positive and inspirational for the world today. Kris has two daughters and a son and is engaged to Jenny Blanden.

District Conference Auction Basket

Auction Basket: COVID-19 Car Care



We would like to invite the members of the Rotary Club of Champaign and their families to contribute items to the 6490 District Conference Auction Basket with the theme of **Car Care and COVID-19**. We want to give people a BOOST in their car while they are being safe during COVID-19, so please be creative. Since we are not meeting in person please feel free to contact Shandra Summerville at sasummerville@gmail.com or arrange to drop off your items at one of the follow times:

Saturday, August 22, 2020 9:00-9:30
Round Barn Center Parking Lot

Saturday, August 29, 2020 9:00-9:30
Skelton Park

Saturday, September 5, 2020 9:00-9:30
Walgreens Parking Lot at Kirby/Neil St.

Saturday, September 12 9:00-9:30
Champaign Public Library Parking Lot

Some Suggested Items:

Clorox Wipes- Hand Sanitizer, car air freshener, jumper cables
flashlight, car detailing supplies, microfiber cloths, masks-cloth/disposable, mobile charger,
disposable gloves, 2 bottles of 1-liter bottled water, mints, sunglasses and more.

Deadline to have all items collected is:
Saturday, September 12, 2020.

Clark Grant Recipient - Habitat for Humanity



Congratulations to the latest recipient of a Clark Grant - Habitat for Humanity. Jeff Troxel presented a \$2,000 check to Chad Hoffman. Chad graciously accepted the grant which will be used for purchasing power tools that will be used on their future house builds.

Rotary COVID Response Money



Joan Dixon announced that the Rotary COVID Response Committee has decided to donate approximately \$37,000 toward school supplies that will assist students returning to school in Champaign, Urbana, and Rantoul.

August Rotarian of the Month - Janet Ellis-Nelson



Congratulations to Janet Ellis-Nelson for being named the August Rotarian of the Month. Thank you for all you have done in August and for all you do with Rotary!

Duty Roster

	August 24, 2020	August 31, 2020
Introducer	TBA	TBA
Invocator	Jay Stortzum	Esther Ngumbi