

## Birthdays

Anthony P.  
Corapi  
September 27th  
Robert J.  
Ballsrud  
September 29th  
Lott H Thomas  
October 3rd  
Doug Nelson  
October 7th  
Douglas Nelson  
October 7th  
James S.  
Acheson  
October 8th  
Jeffrey R.  
Livesay  
October 11th  
Harold Moe  
October 13th  
Janet Ellis-  
Nelson  
October 13th  
Steven C. Carter  
October 15th  
Walt Cunnington  
October 16th

## Wedding Anniversaries

Randall L  
Summit  
September 24th  
Matthew A Carr  
September 28th  
Abbie Osterbur  
October 6th  
John Paul  
Buzard  
October 9th  
Russell Hamilton  
October 9th  
Claudette  
Gonsiorowski  
October 9th  
Ted T.  
Gonsiorowski  
October 9th

## Events

September 23rd  
[State of the City](#)  
October 7th  
[Investigative Journalism](#)

September 30th  
[News-Gazette Media](#)  
October 14th  
[Fighting Illini Men's Basketball](#)

## The FIZZ - September 23, 2019

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### September 23, 2019: State of the City

Deborah Frank Feinen, Mayor of Champaign, will discuss issues and upcoming plans for the city. She will be introduced by **Steve Carter**.



Deb Feinen (Source: [City of Champaign](#))

## Special Thanks to Corn Roast Volunteers

By Shandra Summerville on Saturday, September 14, 2019

**Corn Roast Special Thanks!!**



Many members helped to make this year's corn roast successful! MANY THANKS to the following Rotarians: Tom Costello purchased most of the food and the wine and organized the kitchen crew of Steve Carter, Chet and Chris Alwes, and friend, Tom Kacich. Dan Wheatman used his influence to get Schnucks to donate 400 ears of corn. Eric Meyer provided the beer. Chet Alwes made the scrumptious fruit cobblers. Lin Warfel headed up the corn roasting crew, picking up and soaking the corn. Brad Uken and Jared White were also on corn roasting duty. Harry Baxter served as photographer. David Thies and Doug Nelson provided musical entertainment. Champaign Rotary Dance Team members Connie Walsh, Shelly Romack, Marlys Scarbrough, Shandra Summerville, Rebecca Reis, Renee Osterbur, and Janet Ellis-Nelson performed, and Marlys Scarbrough rewrote the lyrics to two popular songs with Rotary lyrics to perform for District Governor Julie Dobski. In addition, Tom Costello donated a beautiful, Rotary belt buckle, which was presented to Lin Warfel for his many years of serving as Chief Corn Roaster. Next week, we'll provide a write-up on the Golf Outing. Golfers Please send your pictures to Janet Ellis-Nelson at [janetnelson1994@gmail.com](mailto:janetnelson1994@gmail.com).

## District Conference Auction Basket

By Scott Burge on Thursday, September 5, 2019



### ◆Treasure Trove for Grade Schoolers◆ Auction Basket

We are gathering items for our club's silent auction basket for the District Conference October 18-19 in Bloomington, IL. Proceeds will go to benefit PolioPlus. If you would like to donate, please bring in items and gift cards at upcoming club meetings for activities that would interest children in grade school, ages 5-12.

Ideas: books, educational games, toys, craft kits, gift cards for a movie, mini-golf, pizza, DQ, McDonalds, etc. Please see Marlys Scarbrough for more information.

## Announcements (September 23rd, 2019)

### Cannon Grants

Please let non-profit agencies know that Cannon Grant applications are now available on our website. Go to [champaignrotary.org](http://champaignrotary.org). Click on Club Links, then Documents to access the cover sheet and guidelines. Organizations may apply for grants from \$5,000 to \$20,000 for durable goods. The grant applications must be sponsored by a Champaign Rotarian and are due by October 11. Contact Joan Dixon, if you have any questions.

### Champaign Rotary Golf Outing

BIG THANKS goes to Dean Cavey and Bill Williams for organizing a wonderful golf outing, securing hole sponsorships, printing the signs, and purchasing the prizes. Fifty-two golfers participated in the event. Thanks to our hole sponsors and Rotarians who secured hole sponsorships: Zach Wetherell, Allied Capital Title and Coldwell Banker-

Devonshire Realty; Bill Gleason; Greg Cozad, Cozad Asset Management; Patrick Harrington, Harrington Law; Jerry Jahn, Meyer Capel; Scott Moe, Wells Fargo Advisors; Jim Hampton, Tatman Towing; Dan Wheatman, Schnucks; Danielle Matthews, Developmental Services Center; Abbie Osterbur, Merrill Lynch; Steve Carter, IFlyChampaign; Jeff Taylor, RSM; Guy Hall, Robbins Schwartz, Sam and Maureen Banks, Janet Ellis-Nelson, Lake of the Woods Golf Course, Spritz Jewelers, and Hamilton Walker ♦s. Golf Awards went to First Place Team: Dean Cavey, Bill Hobbs, Jim Greenfield, and Blake Croegaert; Second Place Team: Robb Patton, Alan Penwell, Larry Johnson, and Tom Murphy; Third Place Team: Harry Baxter, Steve Baxter, Mitch Wilson, and Mark Panno. Fourth Place Team: Jerry Jahn, Russ Hamilton, Leon Hinton, and Patrick Harrington; Men ♦s Long Drive: Sam Banks and Bill Hobbs; Women ♦s Long Drive: Maureen Banks and Zoe Revell; Men ♦s Closest to the Pin: Bill Williams and Rob Patton; Women ♦s Closest to the Pin: Maureen Banks and Cheryl Lewis. Prizes included gift cards to Hamilton Walker ♦s and gift cards to Lake of the Woods Golf Course.

## Volunteer Opportunities

*Developmental Services Center ♦s C-U Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 5 ♦ Help is needed in the following areas:* Set up from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm; Bounce House and Game Assistance from 2:30-4:30 pm; the Destihl Food Line from 5:00-7:00 pm and 7:00-9:00 pm; Raffle Ticket Sales from 7:00-9:00 pm; Event Clean-up from 5:00-8:00 pm and 9:30 pm-2:00 am; Entry gate wristbands from 8:30-10:30 pm. Go to <https://signup.com/go/kffyuwz> to sign up to volunteer. Champaign West Rotarians Janice McAteer and Eric Robeson will be in the foyer at the Round Barn Center on September 23 to sell tickets to DSC ♦s Oktoberfest, as well as raffle tickets for the 2020 Munich Oktoberfest for two people. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or five for \$20.00.

*Champaign County Humane Society ♦s Fur Ball, Friday, October 11 ♦ Help will be needed from 9:30 am to 9:30 pm. If you can ♦t help on October 11, there are jobs that need to be done a week or two before the event. If you would like to help, email Champaign Rotarian, Rebecca Reis, at [rebecca@cuhumane.org](mailto:rebecca@cuhumane.org).*

## Rotary District 6490 Conference

This year ♦s conference will take place at the Doubletree Hotel in Bloomington on Friday, October 18 from 12:00-7:30 pm and on Saturday, October 19 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. District Governor Julie Dobski has outstanding speakers and entertainment lined up for a special weekend! We have nominated Connie Walsh for the Rotary Hall of Honor Award and hope she will receive it at Friday night ♦s dinner, which will take place from 6:00-7:30 pm.

Two FREE, full conference registrations are available for club members (due to our level of sponsorship). Please let Janet Ellis-Nelson know, if you would like a free registration. The cost of the full conference is \$150, which includes 5 meals. The cost to attend Friday only, which includes lunch and dinner is \$75, and the cost to attend Saturday only, which includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner is \$100. Options for meals only are also available.

The deadline for registering for the conference is October 9. Please contact Janet, if you have any questions.

## Meet the Members September 23, 2019

By Shandra Summerville on Friday, September 20, 2019



**Connie Glazik-Pierce** lives in Champaign with her husband, Bill Pierce. She has three children: Susie, Billy, and Anna and six grandchildren, with another due in March 2020. She earned an Associate Degree in Nursing from Parkland College, a Bachelors degree from Eastern Illinois University, and a Masters in Healthcare Administration from St. Francis University. She worked in Education and Trauma Nursing at Burnham Hospital and in Quality and Risk Management at Christie Clinic before retiring. She enjoys golf, pickleball, cooking, and travel. Connie joined Champaign Rotary in May, 2008. She has served on the WGRC, Inc. Board, has served as Chair of the Yanai Ambassador Exchange for two years, is a member of the Social Committee, and serves as an Assistant Cashier. She enjoyed hosting Group Study Exchange Team members and

participating in the Yanai Ambassador Exchange because she loves the opportunity to showcase our city and the positive aspects of the USA. She says, ♦I have met and worked alongside some amazing Rotarians that I may have never met if not for Rotary. ♦ Outside of Rotary, Connie runs her church caf♦ and serves as a Family Life Skills Facilitator at her church.



**Bill Gleason** grew up in Wheaton, Illinois. He earned a Bachelors degree in Finance from Western Illinois University and also attended Northwestern University ABA National Trust School for Financial Planning. He and his wife, Leslie, have three children and is passionate about his grandkids! He also spends as much time as possible in Florida. Bill joined Champaign Rotary in November, 2005 and serves as Co-Chair of the Clark Grant Committee. Bill believes, ♦Life is all about giving. The more you give, the more you get. ♦



**Winnie Crowder** grew up in Columbia, Missouri. She and her husband, Jim, now live in Tuscola. She earned a Bachelor in Fine Arts degree from Stephens College and a Masters from the University of Missouri at Columbia. She worked in the non-profit sector for many years, most recently serving as Executive Director of The Reading Group. Winnie recently switched careers and is now the Manager at Chico♦s in the Old Farm Shoppes. Winnie serves on the board of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and is a member of the Philanthropic Educational Organization (PEO).

## September 2019 Cup: Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center



Each day the [Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center](#) serves youth from K-12th grade in Urbana public school District #116. Our youth are growing academically through the Afterschool homework and study center. Tutors assist our youth with their homework and the center staff collaborates with the school to bridge the achievement gap among students. The Center's educational director provides a comprehensive program where students work on enrichment curriculum and technology learning software on the computer when their teacher's do not assist with homework.

## Farewell to Shota Nihari

By Shandra Summerville on Saturday, September 14, 2019



This is the last week of Shota Nihari's 40-day stay with Champaign Rotarians. MANY MEMBERS stepped up to show Shota Midwestern hospitality during his time here: Connie Glazik-Pierce, Chet Alwes and Marlys Scarbrough, Abbie Osterbur, Bill Malone, Todd Salen, Sam Feathers (Illinois Ambassador to Yanai, Japan), Sam and Maureen Banks, Doug and Janet Nelson, and Scott Anderson, Jr. hosted Shota for one to eight nights and took him to a variety of places in and around Champaign, as well as St. Louis, Chicago, Arthur, Casey, and Indianapolis. Several other people took Shota for the afternoon, evening, or on day trips: Jan Bahr ♦ campus and St. Joseph for dinner; John Knoblett ♦ St. Louis for a Cardinal's game and to see the Arch; Steve Carter ♦ downtown Champaign, including Kofusion, the City Building, Champaign Fire Department and Champaign Public Library; Donna Pittman ♦ tour of the library; Pat Kovar ♦ bowling and pizza; Jeff Lehmann ♦ The Courier Caf ♦ and Allerton; Nellie Haug (2017-2018 Interact Club President) ♦ more of campus, swimming, and home cooking. Kimiko Gunji ♦ had Shota over for dinner and to her tea ceremony class. Shota made tempura for his host families and helped Japan House prepare for their Matsuri festival.

## Duty Roster

	September 23, 2019	September 30, 2019
<b>Greeters</b>	Anthony Corpori TBD	Scott Burge TBD
<b>Invoker</b>	Sheryl Palmer	John Kelley
<b>Introducer</b>	Claudette Gonsiorowski	Tim Born
<b>Cashiers</b>	Dean Wheatman Jeff Taylor	Dean Wheatman Jeff Taylor
<b>Music leader</b>	Ed Krol	Jan Bahr
<b>Photographer</b>	Bill Malone	Bill Malone