



# The FIZZ

The Weekly Newsletter of The Rotary Club of Champaign  
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## Birthdays

- John M. Williamson  
July 23rd
- Scott Remole  
July 24th
- Danielle Matthews  
July 25th
- Geoffrey Poor  
August 2nd
- Tim Born  
August 7th
- Russell Hamilton  
August 9th
- Samuel P. Banks  
August 15th
- Eric Meyer  
August 16th

## Wedding Anniversaries

- Kent Brown  
July 23rd
- Jared David White  
August 2nd
- John Paul Buzard  
August 9th
- Connie D. Walsh DGN  
August 14th

## Events

- July 20th  
[District Governor Visit and Esther's Well](#)
- July 27th  
[Annual Rotary Blood Drive](#)
- July 27th  
[Reopening the University of Illinois](#)

## The FIZZ - July 20, 2020

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## July 20: District Governor Visit and Esther's Well

Our new District Governor, **Mike Step** will make a virtual visit. A native of Paris, Illinois, Mike first joined Rotary in Morris, Illinois in 1995. As he was transferred to different locations with his job in the petrochemical industry, he joined Rotary clubs in Jackson, Tennessee and Tuscola. Upon his retirement in February 2014, Mike returned to Paris, joined their Rotary club, and was immediately elected as President-Elect of their club! When he became President, he wanted to become more involved at the district level and attended and graduated from the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI). Mike served as President of the Paris Rotary Club for two years, then went on to become the Assistant Governor for Area 14, a member of the District Governor Nominating Committee, and the District Grants Committee. He participated in the Visioning Process for the Paris Rotary Club, District 6490, and for several clubs throughout the district. District Governor Mike will be introduced by Assistant District Governor **Mike Hirschi**.

Champaign Rotarians **Carl Burkybile** and **Esther Ngumbi** will also discuss the progress and celebrate the success of the well our club helped to fund at Esther's school in her native Kenya. Carl and Esther will be introduced by **Janet Ellis-Nelson**.

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





Mike Step, Carl Burkybile, and Esther Ngumbi

## Announcements (August 20, 2020)

By Samuel P. Banks on Thursday, July 16, 2020

### Champaign Rotary Club **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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Due to uncertainties with the pandemic, our annual Golf Outing & Corn Roast has been cancelled for this year. We hope to return to these wonderful traditions next year!

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Check out our new banner on our [champaignrotary.org](http://champaignrotary.org) club webpage. Thanks to Rebecca Ries for the graphics work and Edward Delaporte for updating the webpage!

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We are working on possible plans to return to in-person lunch buffet meetings at the Round Barn. We will continue to Zoom our meetings even when we are back in person.

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## Annual Rotary Blood Drive

Please participate if you are healthy and able in the annual effort by area Rotarians to give the gift of life to critically ill and injured people. Donate at [Community Blood Services of Illinois](#) (1408 W. University, Urbana - northeast corner of University and Wright) or at mobile blood drives where you work, worship, or live.

You can help save up to three lives in just 45 minutes.



Blood Center Hours:  
Mondays & Fridays: 7:30 - 4:00pm  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays: 9:00-6:00pm  
Saturdays: 7:30-noon

[More information](#)

## Duty Roster

	<b>July 20, 2020</b>	<b>July 27, 2020</b>
<b>Introducer</b>	TBA	TBA
<b>Invocator</b>	Sam Banks	Janet Ellis-Nelson