

## Roundabout ~ August 18, 2020

**NEXT MEETING: Janine Giordano Drake**  
**100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment: Socialists, the Unsung Heroes of the Suffrage Movement in Indiana. Zoom.**



**Janine Giordano Drake**, clinical assistant professor of history at Indiana University, will speak about the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment. Title: “Socialists: The Unsung Heroes of the Suffrage Movement in Indiana.”

Professor Drake specializes in U.S. social, labor, and religious history. She is a co-editor of *The Pew and the Picket Line: Christianity and the American Working Class*. She has written articles and book chapters on social Christianity.

## This Week's News



BLOOMINGTON ROTARY CLUB

### Social Gathering

Thursday, August 27th  
5:30-7:30 pm

Karst Park Shelter #9  
2450 South Endwright Road  
Bloomington, IN 47403

Please wear a mask and plan to physically distance but socially engage!

Bottled water will be provided.

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## Announcements

### Our First Social Gathering

Thursday, August 27, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at **Karst Park Shelter #9**



Bob Hammel

### Virtual Bloomington Rotary Toast

Sponsorships and registrations are being accepted for the **7 p.m. Friday, November 6, virtual Bloomington Rotary Toast**, honoring longtime sportswriter and author **Bob Hammel**. Half of the proceeds will go to **Hoosier Hills Food Bank**, which faces a critical need for food supplies during the pandemic. Register for as little as \$25 at <https://rotarytoast.com>.

### Brown County Rotary's "Re-imagined and Online Taste of Art"

The Brown County Rotary Club's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Taste of Art" will feature 60 original contemporary and heritage paintings by well-known and respected Brown County and Indiana artists to be sold in support of Rotary local youth development and other community and international programs through 1 p.m. on August 29.

“This is our club’s only fundraiser, and we need to make it as successful as possible,” said Brown Country Rotary’s Mike Laros. For more information, visit [www.rotaryclubofbrowncounty.org](http://www.rotaryclubofbrowncounty.org).

## Volunteer Opportunities

- **Community Kitchen needs two volunteers for this Friday, August 21, and one volunteer for Friday, August 28, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. To register, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b054fabaa2da6fe3-volunteering>**

- ***Wheeler Mission Virtual Opportunities.*** Unique opportunity for those not comfortable with in-person volunteering at this time: Help support Wheeler by doing something you enjoy! Wheeler is putting together teams of volunteers to help share their story with the greater community through social media, videos, and newsletters. If you are skilled in the production of any of these formats, they would love to hear from you! All opportunities may be adjusted to your level of comfort either in person or virtually. Share your skills with Wheeler and make an impact for those they serve. Contact Josie Rice at 317-752-3824 or [JosieRice@WheelerMission.org](mailto:JosieRice@WheelerMission.org)

- ***Friends of Lake Monroe.*** To volunteer with Friends of Lake Monroe, go to <https://friendsoflakemonroe.org/event/watershed-sampling-blitz>.

- ***Teachers Warehouse Supply Drive*** volunteers are needed almost every day Monday through Friday. Please volunteer by emailing [volunteers@teacherswarehouse.org](mailto:volunteers@teacherswarehouse.org). Special thanks to volunteers Ron Barnes, Jim and Anne Bright, Kate Cruikshank, Steve Ingle, Ron Jensen, Sara Laughlin, Ann Miser (wife of late Rotarian Keith Miser), Bill Perkins, Martha Wailes, and Marilyn Wood. Thanks to Anne Dilts (wife of Jon Dilts), Glenda Miurray, Cindy Neidhart (wife of David Meyer), and Judy Witt for dropping by donations. And thanks to IU Credit Union, Bryan Price, President, for becoming a corporate sponsor.

- ***Helping Hands*** opportunities are still available. Visit [helpinghands.civicchamps.com](http://helpinghands.civicchamps.com) or call (812) 727-0838.

## Rotarians in the News



**HAPPY 65<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY** – Ron and Mary Jensen greet family and friends Saturday, August 15, at a drive-by celebration of their anniversary in the First Presbyterian Church parking lot.



\* Fellow Bloomington Rotarian/IU Cybersecurity Professor **Scott Shackelford** spoke by Zoom at the Rotary Club of Indianapolis, the largest of Indiana's 130 Rotary clubs, on August 18.



\* IU Media School mentioned **Clarice Cross**, our 2020-21 Global Grant Scholar in its newsletter. This award will support her master's work in community economic development at Waseda University in Tokyo. On Sept. 13 Clarice will speak to members of the Rotary Club of Tokyo Tamagawa, her host club.



\* 2019-20 Global Grant Scholar **Alex Starry**, who spoke to our club last week, was featured in Monday's *H-T* with an article entitled "Rotary scholarship funds adventures." Alex graduated in July with a master's degree in public policy from the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin.



\* 2018-19 Global Grant Scholar **Aubrey Seader** spoke by Zoom at the August 13 meeting of the Rotary Club of New Albany. Her topic: Positive peace. Aubrey received her master's degree in arts & cultural management from King's College London in 2019.

## AUGUST 18 MEETING: ADRIA NASSIM & MICHAEL ELY, FIRST-PERSON PERSPECTIVE ON LIVING WITH A DISABILITY



**Adria Nassim**



**Michael Ely**

In recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disability Act (ADA), **Adria Nassim** and **Michael Ely** shared their thoughts and insights on living with a disability. They were introduced by Past President **Leslie Green**, executive director of Stone Belt.

Adria, who moved to Bloomington to attend the College Internship Program (CIP), a private independent living skills program for young adults with diagnosed autism spectrum disorders and learning disabilities, is a well-known columnist covering autism and disability-related issues for *The Herald-Times*

“I find it fulfilling to do the column,” says Adria, who graduated from Brescia College in Owensboro, Ky. “I hope someday to work at the national level, helping better the lives of children and young people with disabilities.”

**Michael Ely** of Bloomington is well known for his work with self-advocacy and advocacy for others.

Michael, a recipient of Stone Belt’s Elbert Johns Self-Advocacy award, is a graduate of Ivy Tech Community College in Computer Information Systems, has developed and maintained various websites for agencies throughout the Bloomington community.

Michael often speaks at the IU School of Education, sharing his school experiences with future general education and special education teachers. He also talks with future educators about accommodations made for him in K-12 and at Ivy Tech and shares the importance of communicating with his specific communication device.

“Some people don’t realize that I can do things like others,” Michael says. “Some people talk really loud. It irritates me when people don’t realize that I can hear and understand them. People misjudge me by my physical appearance. I don’t know why. I’m no different than they are. Same thoughts, feelings and needs as everyone else.”

The ADA was signed into law by President George H.W. Bush in 1990. The Act is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and all public and private places that are open to the general public.

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In honor of their presentation, we will make a donation to Teachers Warehouse.

## **COMMENTS**

“What a moving and truly inspiring meeting! Many thanks for reminding me of how important Rotary is to me and the amazing community that we share.” – **Alain Barker**



“What a great presentation by two outstanding individuals.” – **Dr.Raj Haddawi**

## **RECORDING & FEEDBACK**

To hear Adria’s and Michael’s remarks, go to the YouTube recording of the August 18 meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9apIEQDUbx7V4oPH-FWEkg>. To provide helpful feedback on our speaker, go to <https://tinyurl.com/BtownRotarySpkrFdbck>.

## **AUGUST 18 CELEBRATION OF SERVICE**

President **Ashley Sullivan** presided. **Alain Barker, Michael Shermis**, and **Sally Gaskill** were our producers. With the resuming of his teaching schedule for the fall semester, Alain will no longer be our producer. Ashley called for a standing ovation for Alain.

During his reflection, **Jim Bright** said Past District Governor **Judy Bush** never met a Rotarian that she didn’t like and that she never had a bad day. Unless she had another Rotary commitment, Judy never missed a club meeting, saying, “You never know when someone might need you.” She loved district conferences, which she saw as opportunities to see old friends and make new friends. Judy loved Rotary’s youth programs, especially Rotary Youth Exchange, working with high school students going to other countries for a year or coming here for a year to experience life in America. “We will miss her commitment, her compassion and her smile,” Jim said.

**Expressions of sympathy:** **John Bush**, 75 Martin Hollow Road; Heltonville, IN 47436. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to **The Rotary Foundation** ([www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)) or **Teachers Warehouse** (<https://teacherswarehouse.org/>).

**Jim Bright** introduced our guests:

- Rev. Sarah McKenney, Spiritual Support and Volunteer Coordinator at Stone Belt, guest of Owen Johnson

- Rev. Kelley Jepsen, Temporary Associate Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Owen Johnson
- Peter and Lauren Cowan. Owners, Agewise Design, Jean Emery
- Bitta DeWees, Stone Belt, Leslie Green
- John Bush, Bedford Rotary Past President, husband of PDG Judy Bush, Jim Bright
- Liz Grenat, CJAM (Community Justice & Mediation Center), Jim Bright

## Happy Dollars

Among those who contributed “happy dollars” were **Sara Laughlin**, in anticipation of the Friday, November 6, toast honoring Bob Hammel and raising money for Hoosier Hills Food Bank; **Rosann Levy**, in celebration of her grandson joining a professional basketball team in Israel; **Owen Johnson**, after receiving Michigan and Indiana masks from a former student; **Martha Foster**, **Glenda Murray** and **Charlotte Zietlow**, in observance of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women’s suffrage; **Sally Gaskill**, in celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Negro League baseball, founded in Kansas City in 1920; and **John Bush** in thanksgiving for the outpouring of love in memory of his wife, PDG **Judy Bush**. August “happy dollars” can go directly to Teachers Warehouse by clicking on the following link: [https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\\_s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=QQ934RDMD9D2J&source=url](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=QQ934RDMD9D2J&source=url).

## Birthdays:

- Phil Eskew, Aug. 19
- Henk Haitjema, Aug. 20
- Bob Holt, Aug. 21
- Chris Kroll, Aug. 23
- Bill Oates, Aug. 24

## **Membership Anniversary:**

- Susie Graham, Aug. 20, 7 years in our Club

*Reporter: **Jim Bright***