

# The Rotozark

Greeter: Regina Cooper

Rotary Club of Springfield #2387

Established June 1, 1919

Invocation, Pledge, &amp; Four Way Test: Steve Shanholtzer

## This Week at Rotary:

### Public Health and Civic Life During the Spanish Flu, Dr. Tom Dicke



Dr. Tom Dicke is a Professor of History at Missouri State University, where he has taught since 1990. He earned his Ph.D. from The Ohio State University in 1988. Since the 1980s his research has focused on the history of business and the history of disease.

He currently teaches advanced courses on industrialization in global perspective and on plagues and pandemics from ancient times to the present.

Dicke's interests are wide-ranging and he has published and presented peer-reviewed work on topics as diverse as the public image of the small businessperson in late 19<sup>th</sup> century America, the failure of the Ford Edsel, and the rise and fall of tomato canning in the Ozarks. For the past decade he has focused most of his research on the Spanish Influenza pandemic of 1918-1920.

Dicke's early work on Spanish flu concentrated on how well informed the average American was during the weeks before the flu struck locally and why, despite extensive press coverage of its approach, public health officials typically failed to prepare for its arrival. His most recent work investigates public compliance with public health orders in Springfield, Missouri during the 32 days in autumn of 1918 when the Spanish Flu was epidemic in the city.

## Coming Attractions

**Next Week, Nov. 15**—Republic City Administrator, David Cameron

**Nov. 22**—"Make Something Where You Are", Jeff Houghton

## Upcoming Calendar Items:

**November 15**—Board Meeting at Kentwood Hall, 10:30am

## Proposed New Members:

Barri Tinkler, Missouri State University, sponsored by Tammy Jahnke

Linda Martineau, Self Employed, sponsored by Tom Strong

## Service Project: MSU Bear Pantry

We're raising funds to help purchase a freezer for the MSU Bear Pantry! The pantry serves 600-800 students, faculty, and staff of MSU. Since it's founding in 2019, the MSU Bear Pantry has distributed 60,000 pounds of foods!

The Rotary Club of Springfield is matching your donation up to \$300 to help purchase the freezer. (We estimate needing \$1,300 - \$2,000 to fully fund the cost of the freezer, so all donations are welcome!).

To donate, give at a Rotary meeting (checks payable to Rotary Club of Springfield and put MSU Bear Pantry in memo line), please designate any cash that's specific for this fundraiser.

Any questions, contact Abby Glenn, Community Service Chair – [abby.glenn@centralbank.net](mailto:abby.glenn@centralbank.net), 913-522-9876 (cell), 417-841-4349.

## John Mongell Award Nominations

The Rotary Club of Springfield is now accepting applications for the 2022 John Mongell Spirit of Rotary Award. This award is given annually to recognize a member whose contribution exemplifies the motto: "Service Above Self."

The award honors more than 40 years of service by Rotarian John Mongell, who served the club in numerous ways but will forever be best known for bringing sunshine to those members needing it the most.

The criteria for nominations is as follows:

1. Active membership in Rotary Club of Springfield for a minimum of five years.
2. Shows genuine concern for fellow Rotarians and demonstrates adherence to the 4-way test.
3. Serves the club and community in selfless ways, with no expectation of recognition for doing so – "Service Above Self."
4. Has displayed exemplary services to Rotary. For example, service as an officer, committee chair, committee service, program development or other "Service Above Self" contributions.
5. Has not previously received the award. This of previous recipients is located on the nomination form.

The nomination form is attached to the weekly email.

**Nominations are due by Friday, Dec. 2, 2022.**

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***[DowntownRotarySpringfieldMo.org](http://DowntownRotarySpringfieldMo.org)***

## November Birthdays

11/7—John Moore & Ted Smith

11/13—Leslie Peck

11/15—Tracy Kimberlin

11/17—Steven Atwood

11/22—Tim Davis

11/27—Leslie Forrester

## November Anniversaries

3 years—Gloria Galanes

5 years—John Bentley

7 years—Matt Morrow

8 years—Ben Jones

13 years—Denise Baumann

18 years—Peg Carolla, Karen Horny, & Cindy Stephens

19 years—Melissa Haddow & Mike White

29 years—Evelyn Mangan

30 years—Roseann Bentley

34 years—Kathleen O'Dell

Board Members: President, Gail Noggle; President-Elect, Matt Suarez; Secretary, Melissa Briggs; Past-President, Brian Weiler; Treasurer, Kim Nash; Director, Bill Ricketts; Director, Sue Marshall; Director, Steve Shanholtzer; Director: Dan Vinson-Davis; Executive Secretary, Kimberly Pittman

