



Club Meeting

Spirit of St. Louis County
Meets at Higher Groundz Coffee & Tea
12075 Dorsett Road
Maryland Heights, MO 63043
Time: Wednesday at 07:00 AM

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Happy Bucks and Fines

Happy Bucks:

- **Ann Kallemeier** was happy to be back after 2 weeks of travel; they went to Detroit to pick up a boat and brought it back to the St. Louis region. All in all, it was fun
- **Chuck Von Bokel** went to Bosier City LA to visit a classmate - drive and visit were fun
- **Al DeMattais** happy that the Mets beat the Yankees and was able to attend the MAC football luncheon honoring Jeff Monken, one of the great Army Academy coaches
- **Jerry Nolen** was happy to attend the High Ridge Club's installation, along with David Robinette, Margie Sammons and John Vietmeier
- **Ruth Randell** "just because"
- **Bryan Hercules** was happy to have our speaker Marlina with us today

Fines:

- **Bryan Hercules** was the acting SAA and as such, fined everyone who was NOT wearing a tie AND everyone wearing a tie that was also wearing a jacket. When all was said and done....Bryan was the only one NOT fined!

Joke (Groaner) of the Week

Dad Jokes (sorry ladies!)

- I only seem to get sick on weekdays. I must have a weekend immune system.
- Why is it so cheap to throw a party at a haunted house? Because the ghosts bring all the boos.
- Which days are the strongest? Saturday and Sunday. The rest are weekdays.
- My wife asked me the other day where I got so much candy. I said, "I always have a few Twix up my sleeve."
- What do you call a line of men waiting to get haircuts? A barberqueue.
- I asked my date to meet me at the gym but she never showed up. I guess the two of us aren't going to work out.
- A panic-stricken man explained to his doctor, "You have to help me, I think I'm shrinking." "Now settle down," the doctor calmly told him. "You'll just have to learn to be a little patient."

Last Week's Program

Program Speaker and Recap:

Marlina Femmel was our speaker last week. If you have been to Higher Groundz, you have met the amazing Marlina and have seen all she does to make people feel welcome. She has been at Zion Lutheran for 13 years, having moved from San Antonio where she and Pastor Mark Femmel - her husband - first met.

Marlina has been active at Zion for many years, running the Church Pre-School for several of them using her talents as a Certified Teacher. She had the idea to open Higher Groundz in 2019, received authorization from the Church Elders and renovated the lower level of the Church at a cost of right around \$750,000. The soft opening was March 2020, with the Grand Opening April 1st - and along came Covid. Despite all the issues with shutdowns and Covid, they have beaten the normal routine of 3 years before turning profit - they were making a profit at the 11-month mark of being open!

For the complete recording of our meeting and Marlina's story in her own words, click on this [LINK](#).

ZOOM Information for this Week's meeting

Join us as we discuss Rotary Fellowships and Rotary Action Groups (RAGs). The Covid era has made many Fellowships and RAGs change from a once a year meeting at the RI Convention to a much more open and active group.

As we have been doing, the meeting will be HYBRID - in-person at Higher Groundz as well as via Zoom.

Topic: Spirit of St. Louis County RC -- Fellowships and WASRAG
Time: Aug 3, 2022 07:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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Upcoming Meetings

Meeting Dates and Program:

You will see the Weekly Program individuals below. Please notify David Robinette of your program so the calendar and newsletter are current. Also, if there are any specific 'technical' needs the speaker requires, please let David know.

And, as we are meeting hybrid, the speaker can be from anywhere. A Zoom link will be sent to the speaker in advance to ensure all works properly.

DATE	ORIGINAL PROGRAM CHAIR	REVISED PROGRAM CHAIR	PRESENTER & PROGRAM
13-Jul-22	QUARTERLY CLUB ASSEMBLY	QUARTERLY CLUB ASSEMBLY	
19-Jul-21	Jerry Nolen		Super Secret Suplese!
27-Jul-22	Ruth Randell		Marla Femmel - How they started Higher Groundz
03-Aug-22	David Robinette		WASRAG Information and Fellowships Discussion
10-Aug-22	Mary Robinette		Storytelling in a Digital Age
17-Aug-22	Carolyne Simpson		Christine Merryman - The Bridge

24-Aug-22	Bill Strohmeier	Chuck Von Bokel	"Rocky" James Buchanon, VA Center - Cochran Hospital
31-Aug-22	5th Wednesday	5th Wednesday	
7-Sep-22	Chuck Von Bokel		
14-Sep-22	Jack Williams	Bill Strohmeier	Emily Allred - St. Louis Chess Hall of Fame
21-Sep-22	Howard Williamson		
28-Sep-22	Mitch Wilson		
5-Oct-22	Al Beinke		
12-Oct-22	QUARTERLY CLUB ASSEMBLY	QUARTERLY CLUB ASSEMBLY	
19-Oct-22	Bob Courtney		
26-Oct-22	Al DeMatteis		