



# IMAGINE ROTARY

## The FIZZ

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

Rich Brantley  
February 20th  
William D. Malone  
February 21st  
Rebecca Ries  
February 21st  
John M. Reed  
February 21st  
Matthew A Carr  
February 22nd  
Elizabeth Borman  
February 26th  
Zach Wetherell  
March 8th  
Jay Downey  
March 16th  
Patrick Kovar  
March 17th  
Kip R. Pope  
March 18th

### Wedding Anniversaries

Ashley Dye  
March 4th

### Events

February 20th  
[U.S. Ambulances for Ukraine](#)  
March 6th  
[City of Champaign](#)

February 27th  
[Fighting Illini Softball](#)  
March 13th  
[The Champaign Police Department](#)

## The FIZZ - February 20, 2023

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### February 20: U.S. Ambulances for Ukraine

**Chris Manson**, Vice President of Government Relations for OSF HealthCare, launched [U.S. Ambulances for Ukraine](#) after a difficult conversation with his 7-year old daughter about television news reports of the conflict there. Since then, the organization, in collaboration with the Ukrainian Consulate in Chicago, has successfully delivered 18 American ambulances to Ukraine. In addition, another 10 ambulances and one fire engine are sailing across the Atlantic Ocean and will soon be delivered to Ukraine. Efforts are currently underway to secure 22 ambulances to be shipped in late January or early February, which would bring the total number of donated ambulances from the United States to 50. (Sources: [OSF HealthCare](#) and [The American Ambulance Association](#))

NOTE: This meeting is expected to take place in-person at the Holiday Inn Champaign. It will also be offered online, via [Zoom](#).



Chris Manson (Source: [OSF HealthCare](#))

## Cup Recipient for February: First Followers of CU

By Shandra Summerville on Thursday, February 2, 2023



"FirstFollowers is a reentry program based in Champaign, Illinois. We provide services and guidance to those impacted by the criminal justice system. Our advocacy and outreach initiatives aim to build healthy relationships that positively impact communities." Source: <https://www.firstfollowersreentry.com/>

## February Social Double Feature

February 25: "That's What She Said" at the Virginia Theater, featuring our own **Shandra Summerville**

February 28: Trivia Night

THAT'S WHAT  
**SHE  
SAID**

**That's What She Said** is a one-night live event that raises women's voices through the power of storytelling.

Support Champaign Rotary's own Shandra Summerville by attending this event at the Virginia Theatre Saturday February 25 at 7:30 p.m.



SHANDRA SUMMERVILLE

Buy tickets online by scanning the QR code. Tickets are \$40/each + fees.



**FEBRUARY 28, 2023**  
**EL TORRO BRAVO**  
6:30 PM • 2561 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE



CHAMPAIGN COUNTY  
HISTORY MUSEUM  
of the HISTORIC CATTLE BANK

**Hey smarty pants! Grab your drinks, test your smarts and win some prizes!**

Put your trivia skills to the test at this upcoming fundraiser for the Champaign County History Museum.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., the trivia contest begins at 7 p.m.  
**\*\*Up to 8 team members on any one team\*\***

Let [gina.scarpetta@gmail.com](mailto:gina.scarpetta@gmail.com) know if you are interested in participating. Tickets are \$25/each and do not include food.

Visit [champaigncountyhistory.org/](http://champaigncountyhistory.org/) for more info. Rotarians are responsible for purchasing their own tickets. Buy your ticket today!

## Rotary Youth Exchange: Host Families Needed!

[Rotary Youth Exchange](#) advances Rotary International's mission of world peace through understanding. The Rotary Club of Champaign has been guaranteed an inbound International Student for the 2023-24 Academic Year to attend school at Centennial in Unit 4 **IF we can secure two more families to host**. We have one family in the process to host the first 3 ½ months, so we will need two more. One for the winter - basketball season - and one for the spring. You do not have to have kids at home or even a spouse or significant other, but you must live in Champaign or Savoy. There is a process to go through - including a background check - so please let me know as soon as possible if you would be willing to consider hosting. My email is [sheryl@champaignfaith.org](mailto:sheryl@champaignfaith.org). Thanks from your Youth Exchange Officer - **Sheryl Palmer**.

## March Social: Candle Making

Please [RSVP here](#) (or use the QR code below)!



Fire Doll Artisan Chandlery  
29 E. Main Street  
Champaign, Illinois 61820



Scan Me  
to R.S.V.P.

## Rotary March Social Candle Making @ Fire Doll

Wednesday March 8 - 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Champaign Rotary is hosting a private candle making event at their downtown Champaign location.

Tickets are \$47 per person.  
\*Cost includes custom candle, fees, and tax\*

Reservations and pre-payments are required before the event, please R.S.V.P. and pay by March 1.

To pay online, please visit <https://www.champaignrotary.org/>

For any questions please email [gina.scarpetta@gmail.com](mailto:gina.scarpetta@gmail.com)

## In-Person Lunch Reservations



If you plan to attend a Rotary meeting in person, please keep in mind **ALL** reservations must be made by **11:59 p.m.** on Wednesdays as Holiday Inn now requires our order on Thursdays.

You can register through Square at: <https://checkout.square.site/buy/N5BEIKXMYFLHSIVAYXBO6OFV>.

The fee for lunch is \$15.00.

## Duty Roster

	February 20, 2023	February 27, 2023
<b>Greeters</b>	Amanda Borden	Dustin Heuerman Pam Karlstrom
<b>Reflection</b>	Nathan Montgomery	Michael Gunderson
<b>Introducer</b>	Scott Burge	Sheryl Palmer
<b>Zoom Greeter</b>	TBD	TBD
<b>Room Setup</b>	Marlys Scarbrough	Marlys Scarbrough
<b>Virtual Meeting Coordinator</b>	Scott Dahman	TBD