

Birthdays

Elizabeth Borman
February 26th
JT Barnhart
March 5th
Zach Wetherell
March 8th
Jay Downey
March 16th
Patrick Kovar
March 17th
Kip R. Pope
March 18th
Willie G. Comer Jr
March 23rd
Dana Schaumburg
March 25th

Wedding Anniversaries

Ashley Dye
March 4th
Tim Bannon
March 24th

Events

February 26th, 12:00-1:00 PM
[The Farms: An Allerton Folk School](#)
Location: Holiday Inn Champaign, and online, via
Zoom

March 11th, 12:00-1:00 PM
[Project SMART](#)
Location: Holiday Inn Champaign, and online, via
Zoom

March 4th, 12:00-1:00 PM
[Big Ten Basketball](#)
Location: Holiday Inn Champaign, and online, via
Zoom

The FIZZ - February 26, 2024

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February 26: The Farms: An Allerton Folk School

As the first folk school in Illinois, The Farms (as Robert Allerton referred to his Monticello estate) offers classes, workshops, retreats, and gatherings focusing on art, outdoor education, science, storytelling, and wellness. All courses value hands-on, experiential teaching and learning, and are facilitated by and for the members of the community. (Source: [Allerton Park & Retreat Center](#))

Jordan Marie Zeck is Associate Director of Retreat Center and Programming at Allerton.

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



Jordan Marie Zeck (Source: [Allerton Park and Retreat Center](#))

February Cup: Caminos at Cunningham Children's Home

Our February cup collection supports the [Caminos program at Cunningham Children's Home](#). Caminos delivers services to unaccompanied immigrant children through the [Office of Refugee Resettlement](#). It provides safe, secure placement options for children seeking opportunities for reunification with family as well as the chance to pursue their legal immigration case. (Source: [Cunningham Children's Home](#))

[Make a cup donation here.](#)



Land of Lincoln PETS Community Service Project

The [Land of Lincoln President-Elect Training Seminar \(PETS\)](#), which includes our Rotary District 6490, has a community service project to support the work of [Enduring Freedom Ministries](#) in Effingham County. Rotary Clubs including ours are participating by collecting the following types of non-perishable food items:

- Canned Soup and Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Tuna
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Crackers
- Other dry/canned foods.

Please plan to bring donations to a Rotary meeting by March 11. President-Elect **Doug Nelson** will deliver collected items to the PETS event on March 16.

Enduring Freedom Ministries is a non-profit, Christian organization in Shumway that provides free services to the community, including groceries, a soup kitchen, clothing, a hair salon and barbershop, a laundromat, and Christmas gifts for pre-K-12 students.

Cannon Grant Applications - Due February 29 by 11:59 PM

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

The Joseph H. Cannon Grant application window is open to proposals for durable items for nonprofits in Champaign County. Successful proposals will address problems to be solved or opportunities to make a difference. Each proposal will be evaluated on its potential value to Champaign County, funding available for disbursement, and on the quality of planning leadership, support, and vision expressed in the application.

Each application **MUST** be supported and sponsored by a member in good standing of the Champaign Rotary Club. The minimum amount to be granted is \$5,000 and does not typically exceed \$20,000.

The application is [available here](#).

Joseph H. Cannon Memorial Grant

Who's eligible? Any organization with a 501(c)(3) status that serves the residents of Champaign County

What should the grants be for? Durable goods in the areas of arts and humanities, environmental concerns, education, health and human services, urban affairs or youth activities

Minimum amount to be granted starts at \$5,000 and does not typically exceed \$20,000

Each application must be sponsored by a member of Champaign Rotary Club

Only one application per agency may be submitted each year

Application Tips:

- Suggest practical approaches to addressing community problems
- Promote collaboration and cooperation among agencies
- Generate community support, both professional and volunteer
- Strengthen an agency's effectiveness or stability
- Provide all the required information

March Social: Illini Women's Basketball

March Rotary Social Illinois Women's Basketball



Illinois vs. Nebraska
Sunday March 3 at 2 p.m.
State Farm Center
Tickets are \$4 each



Rotary purchased 50 tickets for a reserved
100 level section at State Farm Center.

To claim tickets please email
Gina_Scarpetta@gmail.com and tell her how
many tickets you want to purchase. If you
claim tickets, you are responsible for
payment. Online Venmo payments and cash
payments accepted.

Purchased tickets will be distributed at the
Feb. 19 and Feb. 26 Champaign Rotary
meetings.

Pay online via Venmo
@Gina-Scarpetta
or scan code to right



In-Person Lunch Reservations

To be in person, you have 2 options for making a reservation:

1. To pay in advance, use this link to register online:
<https://checkout.square.site/buy/N5BEIKXMYFLHSIVAYXB06OFV>. (If the link does not
work, try cutting and pasting it into your browser, or go to the Champaign Rotary
website and click on "Pay for Lunch")
2. To pay at the door, please email John Kelley directly at jekeak1@yahoo.com

**Please note: Reservations must be made the Wednesday before the meeting
you intend to attend.**

Duty Roster - February 26, 2024

	February 26, 2024	March 4, 2024
Greeters	Dustin Heuerman Michael Gunderson	John Calderon Sandra Calderon
Reflection	Todd Salen	Robert Freeman
Introducer	Shandra Summerville	Scott Dahman
Zoom Greeter	Andia Isaj	TBD
Room Setup	Holly Thompson	TBD