



Jan 17, 2024

Brew Link Brewpub, Wednesdays

**PRESIDENT – DANIEL KINNAMON
PAST PRESIDENT – ROYCE CARTER
PRESIDENT ELECT – BRIAN CULP
VICE PRESIDENT – SUSAN AMENT
SECRETARY – JOHN BAER
TREASURER – JOE BENNETT
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS – SUSAN AMENT
BOARD MEMBERS:
DIANE BURKS BRAD DUBOIS
BRIAN CULP MAX HANK**

ROTARY CLUB OF PLAINFIELD

www.plainfieldrotary.org

Rotary Board Meeting Update

January 10, 2024

Your Rotary Board conducted its monthly meeting on January 10th. Following are some major highlights of what was discussed and what was approved at the meeting:

OLD BUSINESS:

Downtown Plainfield Pedestal Clock: Brian Culp indicated the clock is completed, but we are waiting on the tower to be completed. The entire project should be completed well before the grant deadline of June 30, 2024, probably in February. The ribbon cutting will likely be in the Spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

Speech Contest: The board agreed to sponsor two students to the Rotary District Speech Contest at Anderson University. Diane will coordinate the judging from our club and the school. There is no cost to the club for this.

We The People: Diane is looking for the club to provide some monetary support for the Plainfield High School We The People teams, whose state level success has qualified them for competition this Spring in Washington, DC. They need a total of \$50,000 to send thirty students to the competition. The Indiana Bar Association is helping with \$5,000, and the Plainfield team will be seeking other financial assistance from local businesses and organizations. The Plainfield Community School Corporation will be financially supporting the teams, but they do not know for how much. A motion that “we support the We The People teams for an amount to be determined at a later date” was approved by vote.

Membership Growth: Daniel Kinnamon recently met with Sherry Sighting, Brian Culp, and John Baer to discuss how to grow our club’s membership. No growth means your club is dying. An idea to make the third meeting of the month a “bring a guest day” was discussed. Having good speakers will help bring guests and new members. Ideally, we need speakers arranged for one month in advance, with their general topic and biographies, to publicize the event. A concerted effort to bring a guest each month would be greatly appreciated.

Board Retreat: President-elect Brian Culp would like to have a Board Retreat in April or May where we plan out a budget for the upcoming year 2024-25. We should build in the budget money for guest meals.

Board Open Position: We still have the Vice President position open for the 2024-25 year. John Baer discussed with Max Hank if he would be interested in filling that position. Max indicated his willingness to do whatever he could to help the club. A motion to nominate Max for the Vice President position for the 2024-25 year passed on vote.

The next board meeting will be on February 14 at 11:30 a.m. at Brew Link.

Charlie’s \$2 Worth

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN was born on, January 17, 1706. Here are some Franklin quotes...

“Our new Constitution is now established, everything seems to promise it will be durable; but, in this world, nothing is certain except death and taxes.” from a November 13, 1789 letter to French scientist Jean-Baptiste Le Roy (historians say this was likely Franklin’s last great quote)

“ Only a virtuous people are capable of freedom. As nations become more corrupt and vicious, they have more need of masters.”

“ Rebellion to tyrants is obedience to God”

“Our cause is the cause of all mankind...we are fighting for their liberty in defending our own.”

“[F]requent recurrence to fundamental principles...[is] absolutely necessary to preserve the blessings of liberty and keep a government free.”

“Without freedom of thought there can be no such thing as wisdom; and no such thing as public liberty, without freedom of speech.”

“Freedom of speech is a principal pillar of a free government; when this support is taken away, the constitution of a free society is dissolved, and tyranny is erected on its ruins. Republics...derive their strength and vigor from a popular examination into the action of the magistrates.”

Upcoming Speakers/Events

- Jan 17 - Max Hank - William Rhodehamel, CEO of Hendricks County Community Foundation**
- Jan 24 - Bob Sands**
- Jan 31 - Andrew Klinger**
- Feb 7 - (meeting at Imagination Lab) - Selina Lewis**
- Feb 14 - Board Meeting - all Club members welcome**
- Feb 21 - Scott Olinger**
- Feb 28 - Ryan Rash**
- Mar 6 - Donnie Emerson**
- Mar 13 - Board Meeting - all Club members welcome**
- Mar 20 - Royce Carter**
- Mar 27 - Diane Burks**

Club Meeting Attendance

Plainfield (3417)

Monthly Attendance Detail

Dec 01, 2023 through Dec 31, 2023

| Member Name | Dec 6 2023 | Dec 13 2023 | Dec 20 2023 | % |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----|
| Ament, Susan Beth | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| Baer, Janet S | | | | 0 |
| Baer, John M | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| Bennett, Joseph D | | | Yes | 33 |
| Burks, Diane Arnold | Yes | | | 33 |
| Carter, Royce | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| Culp, Brian N | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| DuBois, Brad | Yes | Yes | | 67 |
| Emerson, Donnie | | | | 0 |
| Graham, John | | | Yes | 33 |
| Hank, Max C | Yes | | | 33 |
| Kinnamon, Daniel L | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| Klinger, Andrew | | | | 0 |
| Lewis, Selina J | | | | 0 |
| Olinger, Scott | Yes | | Yes | 67 |
| Poray, Reann | | Yes | | 33 |
| Rash, Ryan Allen | | | | 0 |
| Sands, Robert L II | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| Sichting, Sherry D | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 |
| Turner, Dean F Jr. | | Yes | Yes | 67 |

LEGEND: Y or Yes=Attended, X=Excused Absence, M=Make-Up



UPCOMING SPEAKER ASSIGNMENTS

Please carefully examine the schedule below and let Max Hank know who you have obtained as a speaker for your date.

| | | | |
|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|
| Jan 3 | Brian Culp | Jun 26 | Selina Lewis |
| Jan 17 | Max Hank | Jul 17 | Donnie Emerson |
| Jan 24 | Bob Sands | Jul 24 | Andrew Klinger |
| Jan 31 | Andrew Klinger | Jul 31 | Royce Carter |
| Feb 7 | Selina Lewis | Aug 7 | Ryan Rash |
| Feb 21 | Scott Olinger | Aug 21 | Sherry Sichting |
| Feb 28 | Ryan Rash | Aug 28 | Brad DuBois |
| Mar 6 | Donnie Emerson | Sep 4 | Reann Poray |
| Mar 20 | Royce Carter | Sep 18 | Diane Burks |
| Mar 27 | Diane Burks | Sep 25 | Scott Olinger |
| Apr 3 | Joe Bennett | Oct 2 | Max Hank |
| Apr 17 | Sherry Sichting | Oct 16 | Susan Ament |
| Apr 24 | Brad DuBois | Oct 23 | John Graham |
| May 1 | Susan Ament | Oct 30 | Rocky Turner |
| May 15 | Rocky Turner | Nov 6 | Daniel Kinnamon |
| May 22 | Reann Poray | Nov 20 | Joe Bennett |
| May 29 | John Graham | Dec 4 | John Baer |
| Jun 5 | John Baer | Dec 18 | Jan Baer |
| Jun 19 | Bob Sands | | |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! JANUARY

Ryan Rash - Jan 4

Everett Deken - Jan 8

Mark Shayotovich - Jan 16

Andrew Klinger - Jan 18

Little Free Library Maintenance Schedule

Dec 20-Jan 2 - Joe Bennett

Jan 3-9 - Bob Sands

Jan 10-16 - Royce Carter

Jan 17-23 - Max Hank

Jan 24-30 - Brian Culp

Jan 31-Feb 6 - Max Hank

Feb 7-13 - Susan Ament

Feb 14-20 - Max Hank

Feb 21-27 - Bob Sands

Please check supply, refill as needed.

Report any damage to Joe Bennett.

Books are available at the Library.

SPEED BUMP



Committees and Chairs

Bulletin: Max Hank

Finance: Joe Bennett

Foundation: John Baer

Fundraising : Selina Lewis

Golf Outing: John Baer, Brad Dubois

Crew Car Wash: Sherry Sichting

Membership: Daniel Kinnamon

Orientation: John Baer & Diane Burks

Programs: Daniel Kinnamon

PR & Website: John Baer

Quaker Day Parade & Picnic: TBD

Service Committees: Royce Carter

Literacy/LFL: Joe Bennett

Teacher of the Year: Max Hank

Youth: Diane Burks

Interact and RYLA: Diane Burks

Scholarships: Max Hank

Straight-A Salute: Sherry Sichting

The Imagination & Idea Labs: Diane Burks

4-Way Test

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY AND DO

1. IS IT THE TRUTH?

2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

3. WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

(5. IS IT FUN?)