

**TODAY'S PROGRAM, February 28**  
 Lynn Olds will introduce Cal Zehr from Hungry World Farms to share an update on their programs.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**  
 3/7 - Tracy Wright has Rita Hanna from Festival 56 to share this year's line-up.  
 3/14 - Tracy Grimmer will introduce US Representative Darin LaHood to talk about legislative updates.  
 3/21 - Tracy Wright will have Yona Lunken to talk about solar energy.  
 3/28 - Dan Legner will introduce Marc Wilt to talk about the maple syrup process.

*Thank you*

Special thanks to Joanne Sheldon for sharing the history of Mardi Gras and providing mini cupcakes!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
 3/2 - Ginger Freeberg

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**  
 None

**MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES**  
*within two weeks of missed meeting*

- Attend another Rotary Club's meeting. Go to [my.rotary.org](http://my.rotary.org) - click on *Club Finder*.
- Read articles and/or watch videos at [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) for 30 minutes.
- Give blood at a Blood Drive (schedule at [www.bloodcenter.org](http://www.bloodcenter.org) with Impact Life):  
 ♦ Second Monday each month, 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. at OSF St. Clare.
- Corporate Auxiliary Members can attend as a make-up for the Primary Member.
- Participate in service projects or attend committee meetings. \*\*Be sure to let Tracy Wright know for make-up purposes.\*\*

The meal option is soup/salad bar unless each Rotarian selects another choice on our webpage at [www.princetonrotaryclub.com](http://www.princetonrotaryclub.com) or sends an email to Rita at [undergroundinn@gmail.com](mailto:undergroundinn@gmail.com) **by 3:00 p.m. on Monday** with one of the following options:  
**Meatloaf & Mashed Potatoes**  
**Grilled Chicken Lettuce Salad**  
**Turkey Wrap & Fries (or Chips)**  
**Hamburger & Fries (or Chips)**  
**Chicken Salad Sandwich & Fries (or Chips)**  
**Deep-Fried Tenderloin & Fries (or Chips)**  
 All Rotarians choosing one of these options pay \$11 for the meal to Rotary who pays the Underground.



**February 21 Program**  
**Kenny Blum - Ameren**

Joe Park introduced Kenny Blum who talked about his 25+ year history with Ameren. Kenny shared

that there are 1.2 million Ameren customers in Illinois. The rate increase over the past year has been obvious to all customers, especially in Illinois. In May of last year, rates increased from 4.5 cents per kilowatt hour to 12.5 cents now. Kenny said 2/3 of a customer's bill is due to the deregulation of utilities. The remaining 1/3 of the bill is for delivery of energy, and this is the only money that Ameren "makes." A new statute requires 100% of energy to be renewable sources by 2050; currently, this is only at 11%. Kenny noted that every home now has a "smart meter." This allows Ameren to read the meter remotely, start up service, and address outages without receiving a call from the residence. He went on to discuss "power smart pricing which can be considered risk and reward. For example, today homes probably are not using heat or air so they are "rewarded" by a lower price, maybe 2.5 cents

**ATTENDANCE, Week of February 21**  
 Membership: 43 Active Members  
 7 Senior Active  
 16 Corporate Auxiliary  
 66 Total  
 Percentage: 70%

**ABSENCES, February 21**  
 Bruce, Cole, Davis, Horras, Kunkel, Lange, Madsen, Monier, Noble, Orwig, Pacunas, Schou, Taylor, Whitlock, Zerneck

**MAKE-UPS, February 21**  
 Taylor, Zerneck

**MAKE-UPS, February 7 or Before**  
 Zerneck

**GUESTS, February 21**  
 Kenny Blum (Ameren) - Speaker  
 Dana Fine (Princeton Public Library)

**VISITING ROTARIANS, February 21**  
 None

per kilowatt hour. On a 100\* day in August, the rate will be much higher, thus the "risk" of this pricing. Kenny said that the average home uses 10,000 kilowatts of electricity per year. He briefly touched on a smart thermostat that uses an app so it can be controlled. Other cost savings areas include lighting, an energy efficient furnace and air conditioner, and insulation. As an example, LED lighting uses 85% less than energy and a bulb lasts 25% longer. If 20 incandescent light bulbs are changed to LED, cost savings is about \$150 per year. Kenny completed his presentation with questions and answers. He had brochures to share for both residential and business energy efficiency programs, and he provided some door prizes. For more information, visit [AmerenIllinoisSavings.com](http://AmerenIllinoisSavings.com).

## CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

July 2022 - June 2023 (term ending )

President	Joe Kitchens (2023)
President-Elect	Joe Park (2024)
Vice-President	Eric May (2025)
Secretary	Tracy Wright (elected annually)
Treasurer	Jeff Hunt (elected annually)
Director	Pam Pratt Marsh (2023)
Director	Beth Peacock (2024)
Director	Wayne Peacock (2025)
Past President	Tracy Grimmer (2023)

### 2022-2023 District-Wide Service Project

**\* ONLY 4 BOOKS LEFT \***

**Goal:** To increase the number of new books available in libraries throughout our District - one new book from each Rotarian.

**Strategy:** Ask each member of your club to donate a new book or decide as a club to purchase a new book for every member and then donate the new books to a local library.

**Outcome:** At least 1400 new books in local libraries!

Contact Cathy Foes for more information!

## COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - July 2022 - June 2023

### ATTENDANCE

Tracy Wright  
Joe Park  
Derek Whited

### AUCTION

Eric May  
Steve Bouslog  
Julia Cain  
Ginger Freeberg  
Roxana Noble  
Wayne Peacock  
Pam Pratt Marsh  
Tim Remy  
Pat Schou

### AUDIT

Dan Legner  
Dave Horras  
Jeff Martin

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Cathy Foes  
Justin Gifford  
Bob Henkelman  
Joe Kitchens  
Rex Lasson  
Lynn Olds  
Andrew Whitlock

### CONNECTIONS

Tracy Grimmer  
Tim Kunkel  
Tammy Lange  
Jeff Martin  
Roxana Noble

### FOUNDATION

Gary Bruce  
Steve Bouslog  
Michael Stutzke

### FUNDRAISING

Joanne Sheldon  
Jene Kinsley  
Shannon Merkel  
Lynn Olds  
Pam Pratt Marsh  
Michael Stutzke

### GREETERS

Beth Peacock  
Bonnie Anders  
Tracy Grimmer  
Mandi Johnson  
Ryan Keutzer  
Jene Kinsley  
Dan Legner  
Jeff Martin  
Wayne Peacock  
Pam Pratt Marsh  
Joanne Sheldon

### INVOCATIONS

John Weborg  
Chantha Chhim

### PROGRAMS

Joe Park

### PUBLIC RELATIONS

Tracy Wright  
Chantha Chhim  
Tracy Grimmer  
Bob Mullane

### SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Bob Mullane  
Steve Bouslog  
Jenica Cole  
Tracy Grimmer  
Eric May  
Joe Park  
Pam Pratt Marsh  
Derek Whited

### SPECIAL LUNCHESES

Pam Pratt Marsh  
Shannon Merkel  
Joanne Sheldon

### VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Gary Bruce  
Bob Hayward  
Terry Madsen

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

Derek Fetzer  
Mandi Johnson  
Eric May  
Beth Peacock  
Michael Stutzke

### SHRIMP FEST

Michael Stutzke  
Steve Bouslog  
Tracy Grimmer  
Tom Kammerer  
Ryan Keutzer  
Eric May  
Wayne Peacock  
Joanne Sheldon  
Tracy Wright

## COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Community Service - 8 Rotarians are needed to help at the Princeton Closet for an hour on February 28th at 5 p.m. Shelving will need to be raised. Let Cathy Foes know if you can help, or just show up! Dana Fine from the Princeton Public Library was in attendance to accept a check for \$775.98. Only FOUR books are left before we meet our goal of purchasing 100 books as part of the district-wide service project.

Foundation - The Foundation dinner is scheduled for April 25th at 5:30 p.m. at the Underground. In addition to raising money for the Foundation, we will also be contributing to the matching grant for the "Dementia Free Community" and the tracking devices.

Fundraising - "Share the Night" at Culver's is scheduled for March 7th. Contact Joanne Sheldon if you can help out in one of the time slots from 5 - 8 p.m.

Membership - Don't forget to send out postcards to tell people about Rotary (and invite them!) Also, the "Love Our Community" grant application for this year is now available!

ShrimpFest - It's just 100 days until June 3rd. We will need as many Rotarians as possible to help out.

## ROTARY CLUB OF PRINCETON MEMBERSHIP

#R Anders, Bonnie	Freedom House	# Kammerer, Tom	City of Princeton	# Pacunas, Carl	Princeton Graphics & Signs
#R Bouslog, Steve (4)	KB Elliott Fin. Advisors	# Kann, Laura (2)	Retired Public Health	# Park, Joe (1)	In Home Care Connection
#R Bruce, Gary (10)	Ret. Jeweler	# Kautz, Paul	Ret. Executive Director	# Peacock, Beth (3)	KBC Solutions, Inc.
Burrows, Kyle	OSF St. Clare	Keutzer, Ryan	studioK Architecture	# Peacock, Wayne (1)	Key Builders Construction
#R Cain, Julia	Flowers by Julia	Kinsley, Jene	Gateway Services	Remy, Tim (1)	Heartland Bank
Chhim, Chantha	Bunker Hill Church	Kitchens, Joe (1)	Edward Jones	Rux, Samantha Harker	OSF St. Clare
Cole, Jenica	Princeton Chamber	Kunkel, Tim (3)	Banking	Schou, Pat	ICAHN
Davis, Michele	Culver's	Lange, Tammy	Princeton Park District	R Sheldon, Joanne (3)	Success Realty
Davis, Nick	Princeton Park District	Lasson, Rex	RE Investments	#*R Sorcic, Tony (16)	Ret. Banking
# Dzik, Jeff	Optometrist (Wal-Mart)	# Legner, Dan	Compeer Financial	# Stutzke, Michael	Real Estate
Fetzer, Derek	Heartland Bank	Legner, Ian	KB Elliott Fin. Advisors	Taylor, Dennis	Taylor's Way
Fitzpatrick, Tonya	Freedom House	#R Lusher, Judd (25)	Ret. School Administrator	Taylor, Josh	Taylor's Way
Foes, Catherine (2)	OSF HealthCare Foundation	Madsen, Terry	Community Health	# Weborg, John	Ret. Pastor/Professor
Freeberg, Ginger	Heartland Bank	Mangrich, Jeff	City of Princeton	Whited, Derek	Taylor's Way
Gifford, Justin	Corteva	Marsh, Pam Pratt (1)	Advertising	Whitlock, Andrew	Assurance
#* Grimmer, Tracy (1)	First State Bank	#R Martin, Jeff (2)	Ret. Chiropractic	Wright, Matt	Princeton Park District
Gustafson, Stephanie	Taylor's Way	May, Eric	May, May, Angel & Harris	Wright, Tracy (1)	Gateway Services
Hartman, Scott	OSF St. Clare	Merkel, Shannon	Gateway Services	Zerneck, Michael (3)	Freedom House
# Hayward, Bob (20)	Ret. U of I Extension	Monier, Shellee	Meadows Home Décor	# Paul Harris Fellow	
#*R Heiden, Nancy (4)	Retired Banking	*R Mullane, Bob (2)	Starved Rock Media	+ Rotary Foundation Benefactor	
Henkelman, Bob	People Church	#*R Noble, Roxana (3)	Landmark Realty	* Past President	
Horras, Dave	Ag View FS	Olds, Lynn	Greenfield Retirement Home	R Rotarian of the Year	
Hunt, Jeff (3)	Central Bank	Oliver, Ashley	Shaw Media	( ) Number indicates years of perfect attendance	
Johnson, Mandi	Gateway Services	Orwig, J.D.	Princeton Elementary		

Paul Harris Fellows (non-members)