

TODAY'S PROGRAM, October 15

Jenica Cole has arranged for us to meet at ACE Distribution Center with Nick Oertel.

- 10/22 - Mandi Johnson will introduce Chris Cikanek and Curt Johnson to talk about GriefShare.
- 10/29 - Dana McCoy, District Polio Plus Chair, will update us on Polio Plus worldwide.
- 11/5 - Our District Governor John Hurley will be with us!
- 11/12 - Pam Pratt Marsh has arranged for Lex Poppens to present a "Salute to Veterans" at the Sash Stalter Matson Building!
- 11/19 - Tori Yepsen will have the program.
- 11/26 - Wayne Peacock will have the program.
- 12/3 - Lynn Olds will host us at Greenfield!
- 12/10 - Tracy Grimmer has arranged for us to meet at Princeton High School for a Madrigals performance!
- 12/17 - We'll have our Christmas luncheon and annual meeting.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

10/20 - Jeff Dzik

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

None

Our program last week (10/8) featured Blake Shofner, Ian Legner, and Jake & Dana Gustafson sharing their views on "Under 40 Entrepreneurs in Bureau County." Chantha Chhim introduced each and shared their bios before asking a few questions. Blake, along with his brother Nolan, has created Mullet Bros Printing and they continue to grow their social media audience and podcasts along with printing apparel. Their inspiring story can be found on their website, www.mulletbrosprinting.com. Ian is a fellow Rotarian, currently working for KB Elliott Financial Advisors. He is also a licensed realtor with Sterling Land Company. The

The meal option is soup/salad bar unless each Rotarian selects another choice on our webpage at www.princetonrotaryclub.com or sends an email to Rita at 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)**
- Chicken Strips & Fries (or Chips)**

All Rotarians choosing one of these options pay \$11 for the meal to Rotary who pays the Underground. Drink price: \$3 for someone not eating.



Gustafsons currently own and operate Royal Appliance in Sheffield, and Dana works for Country Financial. Chantha asked what unique challenges they face as young entrepreneurs in a rural area and how they have overcome them. Blake said there's a lot of competition out there and he has had to learn how to compete with established businesses. He is continually coming up with new ideas because apparel is a "walking billboard." They were also asked how they balance entrepreneurship with the traditional values of a small, close-knit community. Ian said it's important to do the right thing for his clients and to gain their trust. Finally, the question was "Can you give a fair assessment of leadership and entrepreneurship for younger, emerging leaders in our community? Can they survive

ATTENDANCE, Week of October 8

Membership: 42 Active Members
 7 Senior Active
 16 Corporate Auxiliary
 65 Total

Percentage: 62%

ABSENCES, October 8

Albrecht, Baker, Cain, Cole, Davis, Hartman, Lange, D. Legner, Monier, Mullane, Nichols, Noble, Olds, Orwig, Schou, Sheldon, Taylor, Whitlock, Wittenauer, Zerneck

MAKE-UPS, October 8

Olds, Schou, Taylor, Zerneck

MAKE-UPS, Before October 1

None

GUESTS, October 8

Jake & Dana Gustafson
 Shofner Family (Jason, Monica, Blake & Nolan)
 Kody Mongan

or even thrive in our community? How can we improve?' The Gustafsons shared that they were fortunate to be able to mentor with John Winger, the previous owner of the store, and he was a wealth of knowledge with his years of experience. They would challenge young people to find others who have learned and lived here. Everyone agreed it is possible to survive AND thrive as an entrepreneur! Chantha wrapped up by noting that he is not from this area, and he became the pastor of a 150 year old church. When he started, the congregation was 86 and now 3 years later it exceeds 300. This has required collaboration and close work with many in the church who offered their support. Each of these entrepreneurs could easily have had their own program. Although there are similarities in this rural community, each had great information, and it's easy to see how they have been successful!

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 Tracy Grimmer

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Our next date at the Princeton Public Library pollinator garden is coming up on October 26th from 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Our goal is 20 volunteers!



If you plan to bring a guest to the Veterans Day luncheon on 11/12, please let Pam Pratt Marsh know. We will be meeting on the 3rd floor at the Sash Stalter Matson Building. **** There are NO elevators, only stairs if mobility is a concern for you or a guest. ****

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

First name in bold is chair; second name in bold is vice-chair

AUCTION

Eric May
Beth Baker
Steve Bouslog
Julia Cain
Ginger Freeberg
Pam Pratt Marsh
Tucker Nichols
Roxana Noble
Ashley Oliver
Wayne Peacock
Tim Remy
Pat Schou

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Jeff Martin

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Bonnie Anders
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Jeff Martin
Lynn Olds
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Andrew Whitlock
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Rex Lasson
Jeff Martin
Bob Hayward
Judd Lusher

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Joe Kitchens
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Tammy Lange
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Ashley Oliver
Joanne Sheldon

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Gary Bruce
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Michele Davis
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Stephanie Gustafson
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Michael Stutzke

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Tracy Grimmer
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Jeff Dzik
Derek Fetzter
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Joe Park
Michael Stutzke

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Mandi Johnson
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Jene Kinsley
Dan Legner
Pam Pratt Marsh
Jeff Martin
Tucker Nichols
Beth Peacock
Wayne Peacock
Joanne Sheldon

INVOCATIONS

Chantha Chhim

PROGRAMS

Steve Bouslog
PUBLIC IMAGE
Tracy Wright
Chantha Chhim
Bob Mullane

SERGEANT- AT-ARMS

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

SHRIMPFEET

Michael Stutzke
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Tracy Grimmer
Stephanie Gustafson
Tom Kammerer
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Eric May
Tucker Nichols
Ashley Oliver
Wayne Peacock
Joanne Sheldon
Tracy Wright

SPECIAL LUNCHESES

Pam Pratt Marsh
Michele Davis
Shannon Merkel
Joanne Sheldon

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Steve Bouslog
Pat Schou
Mandi Johnson
Lynn Olds

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Gary Bruce
Bob Hayward

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Beth Peacock
Derek Fetzter
Mandi Johnson
Ian Legner
Eric May

Albrecht, Reka	Country Financial	* Kitchens, Joe	Midland States Bank	Taylor, Dennis	Taylor's Way
Anders, Bonnie	Freedom House	Lange, Tammy	Princeton Park District	Taylor, Josh	Taylor's Way
Baker, Beth	Grant-Johnson Funeral Home	Lasson, Rex	RE Investments	# Weborg, John	Ret. / Pastor, Professor
#R Bouslog, Steve (5)	KB Elliott Fin. Advisors	# Legner, Dan	Compeer Financial	Whited, Derek	Taylor's Way
#R Bruce, Gary (10)	Ret. Jeweler	Legner, Ian	KB Elliott Fin. Advisors	Whitlock, Andrew	Assurance
Burrows, Kyle	OSF St. Clare	#R Lusher, Judd (25)	Ret. / School Administrator	Wittenauer, Theresa	City of Princeton
#R Cain, Julia	Flowers by Julia	Mabry, Ray	City of Princeton	# Wright, Tracy (3)	Gateway Services
Chhim, Chantha	Bunker Hill Church	Marsh, Pam Pratt (1)	Advertising	Yepsen, Victoria	City of Princeton
Cole, Jenica	Princeton Chamber	#R Martin, Jeff (2)	Ret. / Chiropractic	Zerneck, Michael (3)	Freedom House
Davis, Michele	Culver's	# May, Eric	May, May, Angel & Harris		
Davis, Nick	Princeton Park District	Merkel, Shannon	Gateway Services	# Paul Harris Fellow	
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# Freeberg, Ginger	Heartland Bank	#R Noble, Roxana (3)	Berkshire Hathaway Home	() Number indicates years of perfect attendance	
#* Grimmer, Tracy (3)	First State Bank	Olds, Lynn	Greenfield Retirement Home		
Gustafson, Stephanie	Taylor's Way	Oliver, Ashley	Shaw Media		
Hartman, Scott	OSF St. Clare	Orwig, J.D.	Princeton Elementary		
# Hayward, Bob (20)	Ret. / U of I Extension	#* Park, Joe (1)	In Home Care Connection	Paul Harris Fellows (non-members)	
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