

Rotary Club of Princeton, IL

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TODAY'S PROGRAM, September 1

Ian Legner has invited Julie Wayland, Director of Princeton Public Library, to speak.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

9/8 - Pat Schou will introduce our District Governor Tina Curtis.

9/15 - Lynn Olds has SSA Christopher T. Berry with US Secret Service Human Trafficking as her guest.

9/22 - Pat Schou will talk about our membership survey for this year.

9/29 - Michael Stutzke has arranged for Pamela Bickett to talk about the Starved Rock Community Foundation.

INVOCATION SCHEDULE

Please contact Chantha Chhim or find your own replacement if you have a conflict.

9/1 - Joe Park

9/8 - Michael Stutzke

9/15 - Chantha Chhim

9/22 - Wayne Peacock

9/29 - OPEN

10/6 - Jeff Hunt

10/13 - Eric May

10/20 - Tom Kammerer

10/27 - Tracy Grimmer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/31 - Derek Whited

9/4 - Andrew Whitlock

9/6 - Tracy Wright

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

9/4 - Rex & Ann Lasson

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

- 1) Attend another Rotary Club's meeting.
- 2) Read articles and/or watch videos at www.rotaryclubone.org for 30 minutes.
- 3) Give blood at a Blood Drive.
- 4) 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

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.



August 18 Program

Fran Wilsak introduced Karen Stowe, founder of Intuitive Edge, a coaching/consulting business focused on communication. Karen has 20+ years of experience and also teaches business services at IVCC. Karen's presentation was titled "Everybody's Talking. Why Aren't We Connecting?" Basically, people want to know they matter. They want to be noticed, heard, and valued. Karen feels small conversations shape our businesses, relationships, and the way we make people feel. When she attended Rotary as a guest of Fran's a couple of weeks ago, she saw people welcoming each other, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, talking about kids, and reasons to offer happy dollars. She said there was a lot of laughter and a focus on service. At that single meeting, Karen experienced belonging. She talked about partnering with a business in Utica where the owner wants to

ATTENDANCE, Week of August 18

Membership: 54 Active Members
5 Senior Active
5 Corporate Auxiliary
64 Total

Percentage: 71%

ABSENCES, August 18

Cole, Davis, Fetzer, Gustafson, Hartman, Jackley, Kammerer, I. Legner, Martin, Murphy, Nichols, Oertel, Orwig, Stutzke, D. VanAutreve, J. VanAutreve, Zerneck

MAKE-UPS, August 18

Martin, Orwig, Zerneck

MAKE-UPS, Before August 18

None

GUESTS, August 18

Karen Stowe (Wilsak)

create an experience. She wants people to come in, enjoy themselves, and have a good time. In businesses, Karen focuses on why employees are not engaged, why departments are not working together, why meetings are not productive, why change is so hard, and why customers don't return. She helps the business become more intentional about the experience they create — the people behind the various roles, listening to understand what they say and feel, and then helping people feel valued and cared about. This "connection" then becomes part of the culture. All stories start with an invitation, a smile, a conversation. People may not remember the conversation, but they will remember how they felt. Karen provides tools needed for businesses including workshops and classes, coaching, strategic planning, and navigating change. She concluded with Q&A and shared how AI has become a great tool for communication, noting that it is everywhere and a huge time saver.

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Pat Schou - (815) 866-7180

Past District Governor
(2025 - 2026)
Melissa McCormick

Asst. Governor
To Be Announced

CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS July 2026 - June 2027

President	Pat Schou
President-Elect	Cathy Foes
Vice-President	Lynn Olds
Secretary	Tracy Wright
Treasurer	Jeff Hunt
Director	Ashley Oliver
Director	J.D. Orwig
Director	Jaimie Pinter
Past President	Steve Bouslog

Save
the
Date

10/24 - We'll have more details soon on the Polio Walk.

11/6 - Mark your calendars for our annual auction to be held at The Barn at Hornbaker Gardens. It's definitely an event you don't want to miss!

Thanks to everyone who
attended the picnic, and
special thanks to those who
organized it!

Zoom Meeting Info:

(<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87004069659?pwd=ZchQsn66xs2bDzJ98z2sRFIRXBVGp4.1>)
Meeting ID: 870 0406 9659
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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

Name(s) in bold is chair

AUCTION

Eric May
Beth Baker
Anikah Boettcher
Steve Bouslog
Lindsey Burrows
Julia Cain
Tucker Nichols
Ashley Oliver
Wayne Peacock
Tim Remy
Pat Schou
Fran Wilsak

AUDIT

Dan Legner
Julie Grady
Jeff Martin

COMMUNITY

Service
Cathy Foes
Jaimie Pinter
Bonnie Anders
Jill Kowalczyk
John Kowalczyk
Rex Lasson**
Jeff Martin**
Lynn Olds
Joe Park**
Joanne Sheldon*
Fran Wilsak
* Polio Walk Chair
** Caboose

FOUNDATION

Gary Bruce
Steve Bouslog
Julie Grady
Ian Legner
Jaimie Pinter
Pat Schou

FUNDRAISING

***NEED CHAIR**
Stephanie Gustafson
Jene Kinsley
Shannon Merkel
Joanne Sheldon

GRANTS/

SCHOLARSHIP
Tracy Grimmer
Derek Fetzer
Jeff Dzik
Joanne Sheldon
Michael Stutzke

GREETERS

Mandi Johnson
Ryan Keutzer
Jene Kinsley
Dan Legner
Jeff Martin
Erica Oertel
Ashley Oliver
Beth Peacock
Wayne Peacock
Lex Poppens
Joanne Sheldon

INVOCATIONS

Chantha Chhim

PROGRAMS

Cathy Foes

PUBLIC IMAGE

Tracy Wright
Lynn Olds

SERGEANT- AT-ARMS

Bob Mullane
Jenica Cole
Tracy Grimmer
Joe Park

SHRIMPFEET

Jeff Hunt
Joe Park
Derek Fetzer
Tracy Grimmer
Stephanie Gustafson
Tom Kammerer
Laura Kann
Ryan Keutzer
Eric May
Tucker Nichols
Ashley Oliver
Wayne Peacock
Joanne Sheldon
Michael Stutzke
Tracy Wright

SPECIAL

LUNCHES
Joanne Sheldon
Lindsey Burrows
Julie Grady
Shannon Merkel
Fran Wilsak

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Beth Peacock
Steve Bouslog *
Derek Fetzer
Cathy Foes
Mandi Johnson
Ian Legner
J.D. Orwig
* Youth Officer

Please let Pat Schou know committee(s) you would be interested in participating in and/or any other changes needed.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jill Kowalczyk, John Kowalczyk, and Fran Wilsak who were officially inducted into the Rotary Club of Princeton!



Happy "Anniversary" in SEPTEMBER

Years are with our Princeton Club only based on current membership; many Rotarians have previous service with another Club and/or rejoined our Club after an absence.

Jeff Hunt - 13 years
Theresa Wittenauer - 3 years
Tracy Wright - 8 years

Anders, Bonnie	Freedom House	#	Kinsley, Jene	Gateway Services	#R	Stutzke, Michael	Ret. / Education
Baker, Beth	Grant-Johnson Funeral Home		Kowalczyk, Jill	Ret. / Artist		Taylor, Dennis	Taylor's Way
Boettcher, Anikah	Grant-Johnson Funeral Home		Kowalczyk, John	Ret. / Aerospace/Military		Taylor, Josh	Taylor's Way
#R=* Bouslog, Steve (7)	KB Elliott Fin. Advisors	#	Lasson, Rex	RE Investments		VanAutreve, Dana	Second Story Teen Center
#R= Bruce, Gary (10)	Ret. / Jeweler	#	Legner, Dan	Compeer Financial		VanAutreve, Jeff	Second Story Teen Center
Burrows, Lindsey	Key Builders Construction		Legner, Ian	KB Elliott Fin. Advisors		Whited, Derek	Taylor's Way
#R Cain, Julia	Ret. / Florist	#R	Martin, Jeff (3)	Ret. / Chiropractic		Whitlock, Andrew	Assurance
Chhim, Chantha	Bunker Hill Church	#*	May, Eric (3)	May, May, Angel & Harris		Wilsak, Fran	Sole Encounters
Cole, Jenica	Princeton Chamber	*R	Merkel, Shannon	Gateway Services		Wittenauer, Theresa	City of Princeton
Davis, Michele	Culver's		Mullane, Bob (2)	Starved Rock Media	#R=	Wright, Tracy (5)	Gateway Services
# Dzik, Jeff	Walmart Vision		Murphy, Michael	Conxxus		Zearing, Michael	City of Princeton
# Fetzer, Derek	Heartland Bank		Nichols, Tucker	Edward Jones		Zerneck, Michael (4)	Freedom House
Fitzpatrick, Tonya	Freedom House	#*R	Noble, Roxana (3)	Berkshire Hathaway Home			
# Foes, Catherine (4)	Hungry World Farm		Oertel, Erica	Bureau Co. History Center	#	Paul Harris Fellow	
= Grady, Julie	Second Story Teen Center	#	Olds, Lynn	Greenfield Retirement Home	+	Rotary Foundation Benefactor	
#R Grimmer, Tracy (4)	First State Bank		Oliver, Ashley (2)	Shaw Media	^	Major Donor	
Gustafson, Stephanie	Taylor's Way		Orwig, J.D. (1)	Princeton Elementary	=	PolioPlus Society	
Hartman, Scott	OSF St. Clare	#*	Park, Joe (1)	In Home Care Connection	*	Past President	
#R Heiden, Nancy (4)	Retired Banking	#=	Peacock, Beth (3)	KBC Solutions, Inc.	R	Rotarian of the Year	
# Hunt, Jeff (7)	Central Bank	#	Peacock, Wayne (5)	Key Builders Construction	()	Number indicates years of perfect attendance	
Jackley, Mystie	Peak Medical Home Care		Pinter, Jaimie	Pinter Plowing			
# Johnson, Mandi	Gateway Services		Poppens, Lex	Bureau Co. History Center		Paul Harris Fellows (non-members)	
Kammerer, Tom	City of Princeton		Remy, Tim (4)	Heartland Bank		Carla Bouslog	Leanne Martin
#^= Kann, Laura (5)	Ret. / Public Health	#=	Schou, Pat (2)	Ret. / Administrator		Lynn Bouslog	Kim Park
#+^ Kautz, Paul	Ret. / Human Services	R#	Sheldon, Joanne (5)	IV PADS		Diane Bruce	Donna Sorcic
# Keutzer, Ryan	studioK ARCHITECTURE	#*R	Sorcic, Tony (16)	Ret. / Banking		Keith Cain	Wick Warren