

## THE ROTARY MAKE-UP

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**NOTE:** Through August 13, Wood River Rotary meetings will be held at 1st United Methodist Church of Wood River, 30 North Sixth Street. Parking is available along Lorena Avenue and Sixth Street. Entrance to the basement meeting room is on the Lorena side of the building. Unfortunately, the alternate meeting room at St. John United Church of Christ had insufficient space. The Club's usual meeting space is being used this summer by the YWCA for a youth program.

The Club's Board of Directors will meet today at 11:15 a.m. at the United Methodist Church. A Club Assembly will be held during the noon meeting. Prospective Rotarian **Pat Anderson** attended last Monday's meeting. Pat serves as superintendent of Wood River-Hartford School District 15.

The Rotary Color Run/Walk on June 3 earned an estimated profit of \$6,300 for the Wood River Department of Parks and Recreation. **Patti Anderson** said more than 240 runners paid to participate. "It was the easiest 3 ½ hours of work ever done," Patti said. She thanked **Mike Kelly** for developing the finish line on short notice. Suggestions for the 2019 event include keeping official times and staging Rotarians at the finish line to cheer on participants.

Rotarians and their guests are invited to the Installation of Officers Banquet on Thursday, June 28 at Belk Park Golf Course Clubhouse. Social time begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner starts at 6 p.m. Banquet charges will appear on quarterly bills distributed in July. There will be lesser charges for Rotarians who do not attend as a way to cover meal costs for scholarship recipients and their parents.

The Rotary-commissioned sculpture has been installed at the Wood River Firehouse. Via e-mail, Mayor **Cheryl Maguire** shared photos of the assembled artwork. The project involved Rotary, East Alton-Wood River High School and the City of Wood River. EAWR vocational teacher **Jacob Sitze** directed students in building the sculpture. Student **Gracelin Rushing** provided the design. Rotary District 6460 supplied a \$2,000 grant. Werts Welding, AJ Oster (Global Brass), Restoration House, Lewis and Clark Community College and Ranken Technical College contributed goods and services.

Happy Fines were paid last Monday by **Paul Guccione** (salute to the Color Run as a "great event"); **Henry Studnicki** (64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with **Dolores**); **Frank Akers** (birth of grandson, **Jude Benjamin Akers**, on May 24); and, **John Pearson** (Cubs swept a series with the Mets).

Last Monday **Frank Akers** provided the invocation. Introduced as visitors were **Pat Anderson** (see article above) and **Jessica Levan** (former Junior Rotarian and 2018 Rotary Scholarship recipient). **Barb Overton** was selected in the 50/50 but she did not win the \$182 jackpot. **John Pearson** declared a moratorium on fines. **Betty Moxey** selected Vive 'Le Rotary as Song of the Day.

The books *Microtrends* and *Microtrends Squared* by **Mark Penn** were last Monday's program topic. **Frank Akers** said Penn believes society is like an impressionist painting with lots of little dots forming the big picture. In politics there are fewer moderates because some voters have become more liberal while others became more conservative. Nationally these balance out, however, those becoming more liberal gave **Hillary Clinton** huge wins in large states while those becoming more conservative gave **Donald Trump** slim victories in several states.