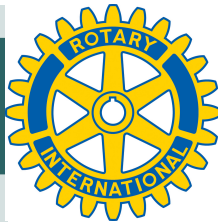


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Ed Keller Edition



# The Rotary Banner

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## Nonn of your business



Madison County coroner, Steve Nonn paid an "off duty" visit to the club last week at the invitation of Prez. Chris. Nonn reminded us that his job is an elected office and that he has served in the office since 2000. Coroners are law enforcement officers who carry weapons and have arrest powers and are charged with the responsibility of investigating any and all suspicious deaths in the county to determine the cause of death and to determining the "manner" of death. His office employs nine full-time investigators who have both a medical background and an law enforcement background. In that group is one forensic anthropologist as well. Normally, it takes 6-8 weeks for an investigation to be completed on an individual death that takes place under unclear circumstances.

Another important part of the coroner's office is the responsibility to educate the public regarding trends in the area that is causing lives to be cut short. The top problem in Madison county is becoming heroine because it is cheap, readily accessible, and instantly addictive. In 2011, there have been eleven deaths due to heroine overdose so far. Heroine has become an upper middle-class party drug and is leading to the waste of many lives. Currently, every drug overdose is being investigated as a homicide with the goal of arresting and convicting the dealers. This year there have already been three individuals arrested and federally charged with homicide through the efforts of the coroner's office and law enforcement agencies. Several other frightening trends were also discussed by Nonn.

## News, Notes, Nonsense, and Nothings

There were 34 members and guests in attendance last week for Julia's pork cutlets and smothered chicken including our scholarship students from EAWR HS and their counselors, Lisa Woodman and Sue Jackson, and principal, Leigh Robinson, and our friend, Larry Allen from Tennessee. Our four students introduced themselves and thanked us for this program:

- \*\* Kaytlin Jessie, Junior, plans to attend Louisiana State University.
- \*\* Heather Poole, Junior, plans to attend SIU for pharmacology
- \*\* Lindsay Woods, Senior, plans to attend LCCC in the nursing program
- \*\* Samantha O'Daniel, Senior, plans to attend LCCC and transfer to McKendree.

Erin explained that we are having difficulty getting interested applicants for our program, so interviews have been moved back to the Fall.

Our meeting commenced at 12:04 after a thorough search finally turned up our flag. Having no ties to pledge to, we had to go for the real thing. Joe still managed to wander in post-pledge.

Mark Twain (Allison and Speciale) took shots at the 50/50 with no success. \$22 rolls over to this week.

## **MAKE UP SITES**

### **MONDAY**

#### **NOON**

- Wood River—St. John UCC, WR
- Jerseyville—Peace United Church

#### **6 PM**

- Alton-Godfrey—Alton Sports Tap

### **TUESDAY**

#### **NOON**

- Collinsville—Holiday Inn
- Granite City—Niedringhaus Methodist
- Highland—Michael's Restaurant

### **WEDNESDAY**

#### **7 AM**

- Bethalto—Red Apple

#### **NOON**

- Goshen—LCCC Center, Edwardsville

### **THURSDAY**

#### **NOON**

- Riverbend—Mac's Time Out Lounge, 315 Belle St.
- Edwardsville—First Christian

### **FRIDAY**

#### **NOON**

- Troy, Silver Creek—Pizza Man

To locate a club where you are visiting check: <http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/rid>

## **COMING EVENTS**

**5-12:** Paul Harris selection committee following the noon meeting.

**5-19:** Board Meeting

**6/4:** Rotary Night at the Cardinals

**6-30:** Installation Dinner—Julia's

**7/21:** Rotary Social night at the Grafton Winery

## **PROGRAM**

### **TODAY**

**Kristine Hildebrandt**  
"Southwestern Illinois  
Dialect Project"

### **NEXT WEEK**

**Paul Hoover**

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**None this Week**

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## In Honor of Ed Keller

### From the Archives

May 22, 2003

-Last week we worked out 2nd Busch Stadium concession stand for this season. Red, Joe, Paul and Rick we among the helpers. Paul's son Ryan also assisted.

-Our baseball fun date at Busch Stadium was scheduled for July 11th.

-Charlie and Joe will be awarding scholarships on May 20th at both high schools.

-Lori is putting together a new order of Rotary haberdashery.

-The scholarship golf tournament is scheduled for June 13th.

-Lori reported that the average April attendance was 55%.

-The guest speaker was Boy Scout exec Don Kinney.

In our meeting last week we took a few minutes to remember the life of our friend, Ed Keller. Ed became a part of our club in 1972, but was a member of the Alton club before then. He was remembered for his long-standing record of perfect attendance and for exemplifying "Service above Self" as his lifestyle. He loved the club and everyone in it and would greet everyone with a warm smile and a genuine welcome. He was hospitable, both in the meetings and in his home and attended every event and fundraiser, even long after he was unable to attend meetings. He was truly a model of commitment, integrity, friendship, and caring and will be missed by all who knew him.

Edward Walker Keller, 93, died at 4 a.m. Monday, May 9, 2011, at Eunice C. Smith Nursing Home in Alton.

Born July 16, 1917, in Elsah, he was the son of Lawrence and Emily (Walker) Keller.

Mr. Keller served in the U.S.

Army in America and Europe during World War II. He was a member of the Piasa Lodge and the Ainad chapter of Shriners. He was also a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Alton since 1961 and served as a trustee and deacon. He was the owner of J.K. Keller & Son grocery in Elsah and also served as mayor of Elsah until 1970. He was also owner of J.K. Keller & Son Electric Motors. Mr. Keller volunteered and served on the board at the Alton Museum of History & Art. He was active with the Alton/Godfrey and East Alton Rotary Clubs and was a recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Award. He also volunteered at Friends of the Hayner Public Library, and the information desk at Alton Memorial Hospital for 25 years.

On Aug. 4, 1961, he married the former Eugenia Delano at the First Presbyterian Church in Alton. She survives.

### Just for Fun

What did the spider email to the fly?

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### Mensa Moment

What one thee letter word can be placed in the blanks below to make three different words?

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