MARK BURGER – VOCATIONAL MINUTE: Mark is the Associate Director of Development at A.T. Still University. He described his position as an "encourager of generosity." Mark explained that inheritance taxes can be minimized by designating tax-exempt organizations and charities as beneficiaries of qualified retirement assets.

PRESENTATION OF CLUB BANNER: PDG Matt Eichor presented a club banner to Chandrika Collins, president of the new North Star Rotary Club. The banner is our gift to the club, but it did not arrive in time for the September 24 North Star Charter Event. Chandrika thanked our club on behalf of the North Star members.

ROTARY REMEMBERS: Larry E. Whitney, 1974-75 Club President, was recognized today for his service. Larry is legendary for his Chicken-Q barbecuing skills and for increasing the "fun factor" of the Rotary Club of Kirksville.

PROGRAM: State Representative Nate Walker presented "The Workings of Jefferson City." Nate represents Missouri District 3, covering the city of Kirksville, the western parts of Adair County, and all of Putnam, Mercer, and Sullivan Counties. He believes that state and federal governments would do well to adopt the principles of the Rotary Club, which emphasize working together for the benefit of everyone. Nate explained why he and 14 of his GOP colleagues helped sustain Governor Nixon's veto of House Bill 253, stating that passage of the bill would be damaging to education, the elderly, and the disabled. Nate keeps in touch with his constituents by traveling extensively throughout his district and by checking his Facebook page frequently. Pictured with Nate are Past President Sandra Fleak and Harriet Beard, who introduced him.

Guests:
Chad Davis, proposed new member
Chandrika Collins, North Star Club
Clinton Normore, guest of Matt Heeren
Ken Schmidt, guest of Annette Sweet

50/50 Drawing: Greg Gordon did not pick the ace of spades; pot now $886

Upcoming Programs/Events:
Oct. 9 – Mark Burger, "Taste of the World"
Oct. 12 – Plastic Pumpkin Klassic, 10 am – 1 pm, Rotary Park Disc Golf Course (ATSU Rotaract)
Oct. 16 – Jeff Suchomel, "Grocery Store Logistics: How the food gets to your plate"
Oct. 16 – Highway 63 Clean-up, 5:30 pm, Ace Hardware parking lot
Oct. 19 – Taste of the World Event, KV Arts Center
Oct. 23 – Randy Behrens, "Adopt a Child Program for the Holidays"
Nov. 6 – Jeff Romine, "Rotary Foundation"