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TODAY'S SCHEDULE, SEPTEMBER 14

11:45 Buffet Opens
 12:15 [Adam Howard](#) Presiding
 Team #7 Greeting & Leading
 Prayer, Pledge, 4Way Test
 12:30 Today's Program is Club Assembly/
 Pinning Ceremony ([Howard](#))
 1:00 Meeting Adjourned

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FUTURE PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

9/21 - State of the County - Judge/Exec. [Gary Moore \(Howard\)](#) Team #8
 9/28 - State of the City - Florence Mayor [Diane Whalen \(Howard\)](#) Team #1
 10/ 5 - Kentucky Defense Dept's Employer Support of the National Guard Reserve Program Team #2
 10/12 - Verona Vineyards ([Howard](#)) Team #3
 10/19 - Kentucky State Senate President [Robert Stivers \(Schickel\)](#) Team #4
 10/26 - Friends of Big Bone Lick State Park - [Dr. Storrs & Pat Fox \(Raverty\)](#) Team #5
 11/2 - Florence Rotary 70th Anniversary Celebration ([Crane/Monohan](#)) Team #6
 11/9 - Club Assembly / New Member Pinning Ceremony ([Howard](#)) Team #7
 11/16 - District Governor [Cindy Legg](#) official visit ([Howard/Goetting](#)) Team #8
 11/23 - NKY Tribune - [Gene & Judy Clabes \(Howard\)](#) Team #1
 11/30 - Diocesan Catholic Children's Home - Exec. Dir. [Bob Wilson](#) Team #2 (Wolfer)

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEPTEMBER — GO PANTARY: [Gary Wilmoth](#) announced that Go Pantry is requesting 100 large \$9 Cereal Boxes from SAM's. You can also give cash or check (Florence Rotary Foundation) to Gary.

OCTOBER 2 — GOLF OUTING: [Hickory Sticks Golf Club](#)

OCTOBER 3 — MARY ROSE MISSION: Will be on Saturday and 8 people needed.

OCTOBER 17 — WINE TASTING CLUB SOCIAL: Team 6 is working at putting this together.

OUTSTANDING DUES — Still have some invoices waiting to be picked up.

OCTOBER 13 — AQUARIUM ON TOUR: [Barbara Rahn](#) is coordinating with our District to take the Newport Aquarium education to kids in the Southern areas of Kentucky. October 13 will be the first tour to Paintsville, KY. They will be taking sharks and penguins. The goal is to bring this tour to all disadvantaged kids in our District.

HELP BOOST OUR ATTENDANCE WITH RULE OF 85: Let [Adam](#) know if the sum of your "age" plus the "number of years" of Rotary membership is 85.

TO PROPOSE A PROGRAM: Contact [Zach Ziler \(Freedom Pro Baseball\)](#) 859-594-4487). We are seeking programs that are magnetic, newsworthy, make the world little smaller, and are interactive.

EZ ATTENDANCE MAKEUP: Log into DACdb by [clicking here](#).

CLUB PROJECT: STEINFORD TOY FOUNDATION — Our club will again be taking on this worthy project. Please be thinking about your business being a Toy Collection Point.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- ◆ Sunrise Children Home golf outing — 9/14;
- ◆ Chick fil A is selling 2016 calendars to support Rob's kids. They sell for \$8 but with \$30 free coupons.



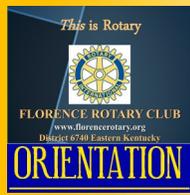
Above Adam inducting our newest member — welcome [PaidaMatibiri!](#)
 Below: Various images from our last meeting



September Birthdays

Seiter, John	20-Sep
Steffen, Arden	26-Sep
Deatherage, H.B.	27-Sep
Monohan, Patrick	29-Sep

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Florence Freedom Program

Building an independent league baseball team is a family affair and character counts, according to Florence Freedom Manager

Dennis Pelfrey.

“Independent baseball is very unique,” said Pelfrey, who is completing his first year as field manager. “I get to build a team the way I want to build it. I build it like a family because I spend most of every day with the players.”

Pelfrey and Freedom team president Clint Brown spoke to the Florence Rotary Club on Monday, August 31, about what it’s like to run an independent professional baseball team. The Florence Freedom was named the Frontier League Organization of the Year for 2015 recently.

Pelfrey put together a team that rose from last place in the East Division early in the season into a playoff contender. He said he shops the major league release list each week and contacts a lot of other baseball people searching for talent.

“I call at least three people about a player’s baseball ability and at least three people about his character” before signing a player, Pelfrey said. “Character is important for the team and for the host families.”

Freedom players live with local families who volunteer as hosts during the season. That kind of support is what makes independent baseball work, according to the manager.

“They take you in just like you are their own,” Pelfrey said. “These players need a lot of support. They’ve been chasing a dream of playing in the major leagues for a long time and very few will make it. The host families in Florence are the best I’ve seen in 10 years in independent baseball.”



A family friendly atmosphere and entertainment promotions also are part of what makes independent baseball work, Brown said. The Freedom packaged games this season with promotions ranging from fireworks displays to concerts to a Pete Rose roast and themed nights for princesses

and superheroes.

About 40 percent of ticket sales for Freedom games comes from groups outings, according to Brown. About one-third of the club’s revenue comes from ticket sales, a third from community sponsorships and a third from concessions. Consequently, part-

Our Fishing Outing

