

# **ROTARY BULLETIN**

**October 26, 2011**

**“Reach Within To Embrace Humanity”**

**“Four Way Test – Is It The Truth? Is It Fair To All Concerned? Will It Build Good Will And Better Friendships? Will It Be Beneficial To All Concerned?”**

**The VISION 2011 home is completed, and the Rotary Foundation Board asking price has been reduced to \$229,900. Trades people contributing to the house’s completion continue to suggest a value in excess of \$260,000. Please continue to promote the sale of the home in the community.**

**Sgt. at Arms – Tim Purman  
Greeter – Dan Shutts**

**HUHS Pickup – 10/6 – Harriet Doerfert, 10/13 – June Ertenberg, 10/20 – Dave Groves, 10/27 – Janean Handel.**

**October Birthdays - NONE.**

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING**

**October 19, 2011**

**OPENING:** President Tom Doubleday called the meeting to order. Tom then led the club in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Sgt. at Arms, Tim Purman selected “America the Beautiful” as the song of the day. There were no birthdays to celebrate today.

**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:** Tom introduced Tiffany, Joel and Michala as the October students of the month. They will give a short speech about themselves at next week’s meeting.

**EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT:** Laura attended an exchange student meeting and training program last weekend. She also worked

on Halloween decorations and then visited pumpkin farm and haunted house. She also sang in her 1<sup>st</sup> Choral Concert at HUHS last night.

Tom introduced Vision House students Jason and Logan. They gave a brief update on the project. They said that things are going well and on schedule. The exterior walls are up and the interior walls are almost finished.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Ron Schlitt e-mailed the scheduled Enchantment in the Park workdays and responsibilities for October and November. Our next workdays are October 29, 30, November 5, 6. We need a small number of workers to help run the extension cords from the lighted trees to the control boxes and finishing some small projects. The work being done the next two weekends is on the ground not on buildings or lifts. It is not difficult work. The Enchantment committee has asked that each Rotarian contribute 30 hours to this project. If you have not been able to help out with the project to date, maybe you can help out this weekend. Work starts at 8:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm. You do not have to work the entire shift. Any time you can give to this worthwhile project is greatly appreciated.**

**The District Conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Central Middle School in Hartford. Five or six members from our club are planning to attend.**

**Our District Foundation dinner will be held at the SAAC on November 3<sup>rd</sup> (Thursday evening). Former Ambassadorial Scholar Alex Zimmermann will be the guest speaker. Chef John is planning a great meal for the event. Betsy Wittenberger passed around a sign up sheet. She would like to see a large number of Hartford Rotarians present that evening.**

**Dave Wolbrink is looking for a member of the Hartford Rotary Club to go to Haiti to help with the delivery of the water filters that our club will**

be providing for the project. If anyone is interested, please contact Dave.

## **PROGRAM:**

The highlights of Wednesday's Executive Board meeting were presented as our program for the day.

- Matt Schwechel said that the club is in fine shape financially. The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter billings will go out this week.
- The club approved a \$200 donation for Hartford Police Officer Erik Engebretsen's project.
- The board approved the Troops of Wisconsin as a recipient of some of the money raised through this year's Wine Tasting Event.
- Dave Groves reported that the K-9 Unit is 99% funded with additional money coming in.
- The Board approved the Best Scholarships donations for 2012.
- The Vision House financing plan is in place for 2012.
- Greg Ledesma gave an update on the Ballroom Dancing fundraiser. The date is November 19<sup>th</sup>. Invitations will be sent out next week to all District Rotarians and Ballroom Dancing participants. There will be specialty drinks and to die for desserts. The cost is \$60 per person. It should be a great event.

The winner of this week's birthday drawings is Tom Doubleday.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Matt Schwechel had a chance to win \$340.00 but he drew the Nine of Diamonds instead.

Ed Heck reported that there were 7 regular Rotarians and 5 Rule 85 Rotarians absent without prior makeup.

The Sgt. at Arms Tim Purman collected \$33.00 in fines from the membership today.