

ROTARY BULLETIN

December 8, 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?”

**December Sgt. at Arms – Loretta Klassen
December Greeter – Mark Smits**

HUHS Pickup – 12/1 – Mike Mally, 12/8 – Jeff Millikin, 12/15 – Irene Parker, 12/22 – Brian Priestaf – 12/29 – No School.

December Birthdays - 12/4 – Dave Groves, 12/14 – Gretchen Vickney.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

December 1, 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, Penny Jo Zagel selected “Jingle Bells” as the song of the day. The club also sang “Happy Birthday” in honor of Bill Weston.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Tom introduced Dean, Greg and Ana Maria as the December students of the month. The students will give a brief speech about themselves at the December 22nd club meeting.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Laura attended two Thanksgiving dinners. She said she didn’t eat for two days. She also went shopping later in the day on “Black Friday”. She also received an Advent Calendar from her host family and is enjoying it very much.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Ballroom Dancing Event was held on November 19th. We had low attendance for the event. Greg Ledesma will report on the fundraiser at an upcoming meeting.

Enchantment in the Park opened Friday, November 25th. Our club workdays are scheduled for December 22nd and 29th. Ron said the scheduled dates for takedown of Enchantment in the Park are January 7th and 8th. Please keep these dates open on your calendar.

Lisa Olson will be collecting the Christmas gifts for the needy the next two weeks. The tags were passed around at the meeting. Please attach the tag to the gift. They should not be wrapped.

Club volunteers will work the Red Kettle Campaign for the Salvation Army at the Hartford Wal Mart store on Saturday, December 3rd from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

A Night of Wine and Specialty Beers fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, February 18th. Loni has e-mailed the details about the basket donations to our club members. Please turn in your donations to Loni in the next few weeks.

Harriet Doerfert reported that an offer to purchase has been received for last year's Vision House.

PROGRAM: Mark Smits and Dave Diener gave an update on the Lincoln School Geo-Thermal Heating System. Dave Diener used a power point program to highlight the project. The old boiler system at Lincoln School was 50 to 60 years old and needed to be replaced. The school district looked at several options but chose the geo-thermal system because it was the most economical option with a 10-12 year payback. The system was installed in the summer of 2011. Each room at Lincoln school has its own heat pump. Dave said that this system is 400 times more efficient than natural gas.

Bob McClean was the lucky winner of the Birthday Raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Dave Wolbrink had a chance to win \$421.00 but he drew the Three of Clubs instead.

Ed Heck reported that there were 12 regular Rotarians and 8 Rule 85 Rotarians absent without prior makeup.

The Sgt. at Arms Penny Jo collected \$23.00 in Sad and Happy fines from the membership today.