ROTARY BULLETIN

January 12, 2012 "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?"

January Sgt. at Arms – Bob Stumpner January Greeter – Jeff Millikin

HUHS Pickup – 1/5 – Tim Purman, 1/12 – Tom Robbins, 1/19 – Ron Schlitt, 1/26 – Nate Schlotthauer.

January Birthdays - 1/1 – Verlin Wandrey, 1/3 – Janean Handel, 1/25 – Angela Bingen.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING January 5, 2012

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, Bob Stumpner selected "Battle Hymn of the Republic" as the song of the day. The club also sang "Happy Birthday" to Janean Handel.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Tom introduced Megan, Zach and Katie as students of the month for January.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Laura had a wonderful time celebrating Christmas in America. Her parents sent her presents from Denmark. She opened some gifts on the 24th, which is tradition in Denmark, and the rest on the 25th. She was very happy to see some snow and looks forward to a great deal more.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ron would like to thank all Hartford Rotarians who volunteered their time to help make Enchantment in the Park a great success this year. Over 100 volunteers turned out on January 7th to help take down the outdoor lights and displays. For the first time, the job was completed in one day. Another Big Thank you!!!!!!

A Night of Wine and Specialty Beers fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, February 18th. So far, a large number of Rotarians have turned in their basket donations. All donations must be turned in to Loni by January 15th.

Tom introduced Rev. Paul D. Johnson as our newest member and welcomed him to our club.

PROGRAM: Renee Jepson spoke to the club about the Pink Ribbon Riders Fundraiser. Pink Ribbon Riders is a 501 (C) (3) not-for-profit organization, and is incorporated in the State of Michigan. Pink Ribbon Riders are members are snowmobile and motor sports enthusiasts who volunteer their time and effort to put on fundraising events and help men/women currently diagnosed with breast cancer. The assistance is given in a gift form of \$500 to the patient. Patients apply for the assistance through an application process that can be found on the Pink Ribbon Rider website. Renee will be sending a donation request to our Executive Board for consideration.

Mark Smits was the lucky winner of this week's Birthday Raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Dave Wolbrink had a chance to win \$497.00 but he drew the Nine of Diamonds instead.

Ed Heck reported that there were 17 regular Rotarians and Rule 85 Rotarians absent without prior makeup.

The Sgt. at Arms Bob Stumpner collected \$85.00 in Sad and Happy fines from the membership today.