

ROTARY BULLETIN

February 9, 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?”

**February Sgt. at Arms – Bob McLean
February Greeter – Betsy Wittenberger**

HUHS Pickup – 2/2 – Matt Schwechel, 2/9 – Mark Smits, 2/16 – John Spielmann, 2/23 – Bob Stumpner.

February Birthdays - 2/7 – Ron Schlitt, 2/16 – Bob McClean, 2/18 – Fred Wittenberger.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

February 2, 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 McClean selected “Auld Lang Syne” as the song of the day. The club sang “Happy Birthday” in honor of Bob McClean and Ron Schlitt

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Tom introduced Dan, Kelsey and Sarah as students of the month for February.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Laura wished everyone a Happy Groundhogs Day. She also brought more business cards to hand out to interested club members. She has moved to her new host family, the Lindsborg’s. She is very worried about all the extra stuff she has accumulated since August. She does not know how she will get all of her things back to Denmark next summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A Night of Wine and Specialty Beers fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, February 18th. Loni thanked everyone for his or her donations. Please continue to see tickets for the event.

Tom received a certificate from the Salvation Army thanking us for our involvement in the bell ringer activity.

Ron attended the wrap up meeting for Enchantment in the Park on January 30th. More details about next year's event will be finalized in the next few months.

Lily Lobo, Rotary Exchange student in 2004-05, contacted Fred recently on Facebook. She is currently studying in Spain and wanted to just say hello to the Hartford Rotary Club.

Ron reported that the Vision House Banquet would take place on May 24th and the Teacher of the Year Luncheon on May 31st. The events will take place during our noon meeting on those dates.

PROGRAM: Fred spoke about his Polio Immunization trip to Benin, Africa November 3-12, 2009. The group numbered 47 adults from the United States and Canada and one volunteer from Germany. Their group immunized 3,313 children under the age of 5 in one day. Their group spent another day handing out mosquito netting and deworming pills. Benin is a country 2/3 the size of Wisconsin with a population of 8.5 million. The largest city in Benin is Cotonou. The country is very poor but the people are extremely friendly and appreciate the immunization efforts. In order for the immunizations to work, the children need to be immunized 7 or 8 times.

Jeff Millikin and Mike Mally were the lucky winners of this week's Birthday Raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Tim Algiers had a chance to win \$581.50 but he drew the Jack of Spades instead. There are 21 cards remaining in the deck.

Ed Heck reported that there were 12 Rotarians absent without prior makeup. Tom Robbins also did a makeup at the Slinger-Allenton Rotary Club.

The Sgt. at Arms Bob McClean collected \$35.00 in Sad and Happy fines from the membership today.