

ROTARY BULLETIN

June 7, 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?”

**June Sgt. at Arms – Nate Schlotthauer
June Greeter – Tom Hostad**

HUHS Pickup – None – Summer Vacation

June Birthdays - 6/9 – Brian Priestaf, 6/10 – Tom Hostad, 6/16 – Harriet Doerfert, 6/18 – Tom Robbins, 6/18 - June Ertenberg, 6/21 – Greg Ledesma, 6/24 – Bob Stumpner, 6/28 – Penny Jo Zagel, 6/30 – Dale Anderson.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING May 31, 2012

OPENING: Past President Ron Schlitt called the meeting to order. Verlin Wandrey led the club in prayer. Ron Schlitt then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Sgt. At Arms, Fred Wittenberger, selected “My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean” as the song of the day.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: The students of the month were not in attendance due to semester exams.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Laura was not in attendance due to semester exams.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ron introduced the following guests who were in attendance for the Teacher of the Year Luncheon: Deb Kolbow and her husband, John, Gina Klink and her husband, Guy, Kevin Martin, Peace Lutheran

School Principal, Jim Raddeman, Rossman School Principal, Doan Bui, HUHS Principal of Teaching and Learning, Chad Elefson, and Past Hartford Rotary Club President, Ed Majkowski and his wife Julie.

The flyers are out for the 17th Annual Rotary Golf Outing to be held at the Hartford Golf Course on June 26th. We need golfers to participate in this project to make it a success. Please get your foursomes lined up and contact Matt. Matt is also in need of 12 more hole sponsors. Nancy Hutchinson and her family will attend this year's event.

The Vision House Open House is scheduled for June 9th and 10th. John Spielmann passed around a sign up sheet to help work the open house on the 9th and 10th. He also needs Rotarians to help clean the house on June 8th. If you can help on any of the dates, please contact John.

The 2012 Officer Installation Banquet is scheduled for June 28th during our general membership meeting. The Hartford Police Canine "Cash" will be coming to the meeting that day.

Ron announced that Justin Lamb and Dan Winter, students at HUHS, would attend the World Affairs Seminar at Carroll University in June.

PROGRAM: Ron Schlitt presented Teacher of the Year Plaques and a gift from the Hartford Rotary Club to Deb Kolbow, Gina Klink and Kevin Martin.

Deb Kolbow attended UW-Milwaukee and has had the privilege of serving early childhood families at Peace Lutheran School as a teacher and director for the past 24 years. Her teaching philosophy can be summed up by the following anchors; hands on lessons that build on children's interest and needs, activities tailored through a differentiated approach and all encompassed within a Christ centered environment. Deb has had the opportunity to serve as a consultant to Lutheran Early Childhood Programs and presented at conferences on parent partnership.

Gina Klink received her Bachelors in Education from Cardinal Stritch College in 1993, where she majored in elementary education, with a minor in social studies. She was hired by the School District of

Hartford Jt. #1 in 2005 as a math resource teacher. From 2006 to 2010 she taught first grade; looping to second grade this year. Mrs. Klink has been instrumental in the Rossman School Read-a-Thons, creatively encouraging children to read while raising money to support education initiatives at Rossman. She worked with surrounding area schools to bring artist Rob Surette and his Hero Art Show to the Schauer Center, bringing his important message about being somebody to the Rossman students. Mrs. Klink confessed that a lot of time and energy had been spent learning and becoming familiar with a new curriculum. She credits the second grade team with sharing ideas, lessons and suggestions to make her transition easier; and expressed her gratitude for their help, support and patience.

Kevin Martin has been an educator at Hartford Union High School for 12 years. As a first year teacher, Kevin taught a full load of Freshman Science courses, but his true passion lies in the Biological Sciences. Kevin pursued a major in Biology with a certification to teach Biology as well as Broad field Sciences. Kevin received his undergraduate degree from St. Norbert College and a Master's in Education from the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse. In 2003, with the help of Gene O'Brien, Kevin Started an Advanced Placement Biology course at HUHS. He continues to work on improving the course each year. For Kevin, education reaches beyond the science classroom. As a soccer coach, Kevin has been teaching life lessons as well as soccer skills for the past 12 years. Currently a co-head coach for the Varsity Girls Soccer team, Kevin never misses a teaching moment on or off the field. In addition to coaching, Kevin has taken on other responsibilities within the Hartford Union High School community. Kevin has been the Science Department Coordinator for the past two years and has added the role of Instructional Leader with a focus on the Gifted and Program this year.

Tom Robbins was the lucky winner of this week's Birthday Raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Fred Wittenberger had a chance to win \$219.50 but he drew the Eight of Spades instead.

Ed Heck reported that 48.9% of our members were in attendance at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms, Fred Wittenberger collected \$30.00 in Sad and Happy fines from our members at today's meeting.