

ROTARY BULLETIN

November 1, 2012

“Peace Through Service”

“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?”

**November Sgt. at Arms – Paul Johnsen
November Greeter – Colleen Baus**

HUHS Pickup – 11/1 – Greg Ledesma, 11/8 – Jeff Millikin, 11/15 – Lisa Olson, 11/22 – No School, 11/29 – Irene Parker.

November Birthdays - 11/3 – Irene Parker, 11/6 – John Spielmann, 11/11 – Betsy Wittenberger, 11/13 – Bill Weston.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING October 25, 2012

OPENING: President Penny Jo Zagel called the meeting to order. Verlin Wandrey led the club in prayer. Penny Jo then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Sgt. At Arms, Laurie Barz, selected “America” as the song of the day.

GREETERS REPORT: Mark Smits introduced Greg Brzeski as a guest of Penny Jo, Julie Wilk as a guest of Peter Wilk, and Kristen Baranda and Randy Spaulding as guests of Tom Hostad. Kristen and Randy are associated with the United Way of Washington County. Peter and Julie Wilk are celebrating their 37th wedding anniversary today. Congratulations Peter and Julie.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: The students of the month were not in attendance today.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Marek was not in attendance today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Penny Jo announced that November is Rotary Foundation month.

Plan to attend the District Assembly scheduled for November 3rd at Moraine Park Technical College in West Bend. Please e-mail Penny Jo if planning to attend. The Rotary Foundation Dinner will be held at the West Bend Country Club on November 13th. Penny Jo would like to see a large number of Hartford Rotarians attend both events.

Penny Jo did the second reading for Brenda Johnston as a new member of the club.

Our program on November 1st will deal with the Polio Plus Campaign.

On November 8th we will have a speaker telling us about the Group Study Exchange to Argentina.

Penny Jo received a signed picture from Sones de Mexico, the group our club sponsored last spring at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center.

The President's Development Team will meet next Thursday at 11:15 AM.

Fred promoted the Taste of Washington County scheduled for November 29th. If interested, please see Fred about purchasing the tickets. The Boys and Girls Clubs of Washington County are one of the major benefactors of this fundraising event.

PROGRAM: Tom Hostad gave an update on the relationship of the Hartford Community with United Way of Washington County. Tom reported that this year, Hartford is the recipient of a \$100,000 grant from United Way. 50% of future donations to United Way by the Hartford community will come back to Hartford in the form of another community grant. A committee met with school personnel, church leaders and the Hartford police department to assess the needs of the

Hartford community. At the present time, 9.3% of Hartford families are below the poverty level. 45% of K-8 students qualify for free and reduced lunch. 1 out of 5 students display signs of depression. Drug usage is a problem in the schools in the Hartford community. The following recommendations were made by the committee on how to spend the grant money awarded to the Hartford community.

- ❖ United Way will open an office in Hartford and maintain a community resource center.**
- ❖ At the present time the Boys and Girls Club at St. Aidan's deals with students in grades 1-5. A middle school Boys and Girls Club will be started in Hartford at a site to be determined.**
- ❖ Big Brothers and Big Sisters will start a program in Hartford. They are looking for 30 role models from the Hartford area.**
- ❖ Education and prevention programs on alcohol and drug abuse will be set up for the youth in the Hartford community.**

Tom encouraged the members to support the United Way in the future with financial donations. If donations increase in the Hartford Community, more money will come back to the community in the form of grants to support programs in the Hartford area.

Betsy Wittenberger was the lucky winner in this week's Birthday Raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Loni Jaeger had a chance to win \$642.00 but she drew the Jack of Diamonds instead.

Fred reported 3 members absent without prior makeup.

Sgt. At Arms, Laurie Barz collected \$49.00 in Sad and Happy fines from our members at today's meeting.