

# **ROTARY BULLETIN**

**December 6, 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?”**

**December Sgt. at Arms – Ron Schlitt  
December Greeter – Tom Doubleday**

**HUHS Pickup – 12/6 – TBD, 12/13 – Tim Purman, 12/20 – Loni Jaeger,  
12/27 – No School.**

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

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING November 29, 2012**

**OPENING:** President Penny Jo Zagel called the meeting to order. Paul Johnsen led the club in prayer. Penny Jo then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Sgt. At Arms, Paul Johnsen, selected “The Happy Wanderer” as the song of the day. The club then sang “Happy Birthday” to John Spielmann and Dave Groves.

**GREETERS REPORT:** Colleen Baus introduced Dawn Miller who is Dale Anderson’s assistant at the Wisconsin Auto Museum. Kate Carroll, and Mike and Beth Hermann were in attendance as guests of Mark Smits.

**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:** Penny Jo introduced Alaina, Elizabeth, and Paul as the Rotary Students of the Month for November. The students gave brief speeches about themselves at today’s meeting.

**Elizabeth has been very active all four years in co-curricular activities at Hartford Union High School. She has lettered in soccer and**

tennis and was named this fall to the WLT 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference in girl's tennis. Elizabeth is actively involved in National Honor Society, H-Club, and is the captain of the Mock Trial Team at HUHS. She is a member of the Concert Choir and is the current president of the Orchestra at the high school. Elizabeth has participated in the spring play the past two years and was a member of the pit orchestra for the musicals "Anything Goes" and "West Side Story".

Elizabeth has given back to the Hartford community by volunteering at the First United Methodist Church, Hartford Park and Recreation events, and the Solo and Ensemble music program at Central Middle School. She is employed by the Hartford Parks and Recreation Department as a lifeguard and swim instructor and is a USSF Soccer referee.

Elizabeth has been accepted at St. Norbert College, planning to major in Biology, minor in music, and play tennis for the Green Knights.

Paul has been very involved in co-curricular activities at HUHS. Paul participated in boy's cross-country and track at HUHS. He is a member of the National Honor Society and played the lead role of Tony in this fall's HUHS musical "West Side Story".

Paul has received numerous special honors while attending Hartford Union High School. He participated in the WSMA State Honors Choir in 2011 and 2012, served as a delegate to Badger Boys State, and participated at State Solo and Ensemble program in vocal solo in 2011.

Paul has also given back to his community by doing volunteer work at Divine Savior Lutheran Church, singing with the alumni choir at Holy Hill for Christmas midnight mass, participating in group work camps with St. Kilian Church, and serving meals for the homeless at St. Ben's in Milwaukee.

After high school, Paul plans to attend either UW-Madison or Marquette University but is undecided on his major field of study at this time.

Alaina has been very active all four years in co-curricular activities at Hartford Union High School. Alaina is a member of the varsity girl's tennis team, FBLA, DECA, H-Club, and Math Team and is the current president of the Student Council at HUHS. She has

participated in several musicals at the school and was part of the cast of this fall's musical "West Side Story".

Alaina has received numerous special honors while attending Hartford Union High School. She qualified in 2011 and 2012 for the State Solo and Ensemble competition and competed in the 2011 and 2012 WIAA State Doubles Championships in Madison. Alaina was selected to the WLT All-Conference Girl's Tennis 1<sup>st</sup> Team in Doubles in 2011 and 2012. She was also honored recently by being selected as the Dodge County Fire Queen and the 2012 Homecoming Queen at HUHS.

Alaina has given back to her community by organizing the student council blood drives at HUHS and by helping the food pantries of Washington County by volunteering her time at Enchantment in the Park. She has also served as a concession food stand manager for the home football games at HUHS.

After graduation, Alaina plans to attend either the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities, the University of Wisconsin – Madison or Marquette University.

**EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT:** Marek celebrated his first Thanksgiving with his host family. He said he never ate so much food before. He enjoyed watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Thursday morning. He did not shop on "Black Friday" but he did go out to the Hartford Wal-Mart to observe the large crowds waiting for the store to open Thanksgiving night.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Tom Doubleday passed around a signup sheet to work at Enchantment in the Park on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Tom is looking for 30-35 volunteers for the evening. Volunteers are needed from 4:30 pm and until 9:00 pm. Even if you can only help for a few hours it would be greatly appreciated. Tom is also for approximately 15 volunteers for the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Penny Jo did the first reading for Dawn Miller as our newest member. The board at the November 21st meeting approved her.

**John Spielmann announced that the closing on Vision House 20 took place on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. The Hartford Rotary Foundation will be holding a meeting at 5:00 PM on November 29<sup>th</sup> to assess the future of the Vision House project.**

**Dave Wolbrink announced that Ken Schulmann would be delivering water filters to Haiti the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in January. If any Hartford Rotarians would like to go along with Ken, please contact Dave. He said it would be a very worthwhile experience.**

**Loni Jaeger informed the club that Brian Priestaf is doing well. He is back at work, but must take precautions when going out in public. He hopes to be able to attend a club meeting soon.**

**Loni announced that the club Christmas party would be held at the Wolbrinks on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Loni will send out more details about the party via e-mail this week.**

**Loni and Janean are starting to take donations and collect basket items for the Hartford Rotary's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine tasting Event. Cash or check donations and baskets items or decorative boxes must be turned into Loni or Colleen by Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. The following items are some ideas for these baskets for the Basket Raffle at the event. Wine, Liquor, Tickets to Events and Shows, Sporting Event Tickets, Restaurant Gift Certificates, DVDs, CDs, Books, Quilts, Toys, etc. are all great ideas. Be Creative! It works well to keep the baskets within the \$35 - \$60 value.**

**PROGRAM: Penny Jo gave a brief report on last week's board meeting.**

- ❖ **The financial reports were e-mailed to the membership. If you have any specific questions, please contact Gretchen Vickney.**
- ❖ **The board approved a donation request to the "Shop With A Cop Program".**
- ❖ **Some of the proceeds from this year's wine tasting event will go toward Family Promise of Washington County.**
- ❖ **Mike Mally installed Brenda Johnston as our newest member.**

**Gene Wittenberger and Alain (November Rotary Student of the Month) were the lucky winners of this week's Birthday Raffles.**

**In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Harriet Doerfert had a chance to win \$765.00 but she drew the Six of Clubs instead.**

**Fred reported that there were two members absent without prior makeup.**

**Sgt. At Arms, Paul Johnsen collected \$23.00 in Sad and Happy fines from our members at today's meeting.**