

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

January 31, 2013

“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?”

**January Sgt. at Arms – Loni Jaeger
January Greeter – Greg Ledesma**

HUHS Pickup – 1/3 – Nate Schlotthauer, 1/10 – Matt Schwechel, 1/17 – Bob Stumpner, 1/24 – Gretchen Vickney, 1/31 – Bill Weston.

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

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

January 24, 2013

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, Loni Jaeger, selected “Row, Row, Row Your Boat” as the song of the day.

GREETERS REPORT: Dave Wolbrink introduced Iris Hulpert of the Slinger-Allenton Rotary Club as a guest at today’s meeting.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Penny Jo introduced Anne and Jacob as January Students of the Month. DJ was not able to attend today’s meeting due to illness.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Marek missed last week’s meeting due to exams he was taking at the high school. He thought he did well

on his exams. He attended his first high school hockey game last week. He said he enjoyed the hard-hitting and aggressive game. Marek played in 2 indoor soccer games last week. His team won both games easily.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Loni and Janean encouraged the membership to continue to sell their tickets. They would like ticket money for the Wine Tasting Event turned in by January 31st.

Take down of the lights for Enchantment in the Park will take place on February 2nd and 3rd. The committee needs approximately 100 people to help on those dates. Any time you can commit on those days would be greatly appreciated.

Harriet Doerfert and Dave Wolbrink enjoyed the time they spent in Haiti. The people were very grateful for the filters purchased by our club. The 100 filters will provide clean water to approximately 150 families. They will present a more detailed program on their experiences at a future meeting.

Penny Jo informed the club that Brian Priestaf is out of the hospital and in good spirits.

Penny Jo did the first reading for Dane Schepp as our newest member.

Penny Jo and Mike Mally are looking for volunteers from our club to serve as host families for the GSE from Argentina. The Group Study Exchange will take place at the end of April and end in early May. Our club would host the group for 3 days. If interested, please contact Penny Jo.

PROGRAM: Mark Brunner, Executive Director of Citizen Advocates of Washington County, was our guest speaker. Citizen Advocates is an independent, nonprofit organization that creates and supports one-on-one relationships between citizen advocates and people with developmental disabilities. Citizen Advocates has provided and supported beneficial, advocacy relationships throughout Washington

County since 1978. The program, a unique advocacy approach, reaches out into area High Schools, Group and Apartment Homes, everywhere where individuals with disabilities live. These programs bring peer advocates, students, and individuals living in Group and Apartment Homes, often isolated from activities and inclusion, into unpaid, advocacy relationships critical to individuals dealing with developmental and physical disabilities. Mark challenged out club to become a donor for a new group home starting in Hartford. His organization is looking for a donation of \$1500.00 from the Hartford Rotary Club.

Tim Algiers was the lucky winner of this week's Birthday Raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Doug Smith had a chance to win \$1,015.00 but he drew the Queen of Diamonds instead. There are 11 cards left for next week's drawing.

Ed reported 50% attendance for our regular members and 65% attendance for the Rule of 85 members.

Sgt. At Arms, Loni Jaeger, collected \$25.00 in Sad and Happy fines from the membership at today's meeting.