

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

February 7, 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?”

February Sgt. at Arms – Janean Handel

February Greeter – Jeff Millikin

HUHS Pickup – 2/7 – Betsy Wittenberger, 2/14 – Fred Wittenberger, 2/21 – Dave Wolbrink, 2/28 – Ron Schlitt.

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

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

January 31, 2013

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, Loni Jaeger, selected “When You’re Smiling” as the song of the day. The club sang “Happy Birthday” to Verlin Wandrey and Angela Bingen. Congratulations Verlin and Angie!

GREETERS REPORT: Dawn Mueller introduced our guest speakers, Joan Schultz and Laurie Killinger.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Penny Jo introduced DJ, Anne and Jacob as January Students of the Month. Penny Jo presented the students with their Rotary Student of the Month certificates.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Marek attended a Rotary Exchange weekend in Whitewater last weekend. The students spent the weekend with local families. He went bowling and enjoyed his first visit to a “Buffalo Wild Wings” restaurant.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Loni and Janean encouraged the membership to continue to sell their tickets. They are also looking for volunteers willing to serve wine at several serving stations. They can also use promotional items for door prizes. If interested in helping out, please contact Loni or Janean.

Due to the bad weather this past weekend, the take down of the lights for Enchantment in the Park has been rescheduled to March 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.

Our club is sponsoring Paul Hoeschlee for the Group Study Exchange to Argentina. He will be in attendance at our February 21st meeting.

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

Peter Wilk spoke briefly about his recent trip to Guatemala on his 7th medical mission. They served approximately 900 people during the week. He will give a more detailed report at a future club meeting.

PROGRAM: Joan Schultz and Laurie Killinger of Hartford Jt.#1 School District presented a program on Autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Autism spectrum disorders are a group of developmental disabilities caused by a problem with the brain. Scientists do not know yet exactly what causes this problem. ASDs can impact a person’s functioning at different levels, from mildly to severely. People with ASDs may have problems with social, emotional, and communication skills. They might repeat certain behaviors and might not want change in their daily activities. Many people with ASDs also have different ways of learning, paying attention, or reacting to things. ASDs begin

during early childhood and last throughout a person's life. The number of children in the United States with autism continues to rise. It has increased 78% over the last decade. In 2001, Hartford Jt. #1 had one student with autism. In 2012, 25 to 30 students demonstrate characteristics of autism. With early intervention and the right support, the district has seen growth both academically and socially in these students.

Ed Heck and June Ertenberg were the lucky winners of this week's Birthday Raffles.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, June Ertenberg had a chance to win \$1,069.00 but she drew the King of Diamonds instead. There are 10 cards left for next week's drawing.

Ed reported 77% attendance at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms, Loni Jaeger, collected \$43.00 in Sad and Happy fines from the membership at today's meeting.