## HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

**September 26, 2013** 

"Engage Rotary, Change Lives"

"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?"

The club is missing the Attendance Sheets from the July 25<sup>th</sup> and August 29<sup>th</sup> meetings. If you know where they are, please contact Doug Smith or Ed Heck.

September Sgt. at Arms – Tim Algiers September Greeter – Paul Johnsen

HUHS Pickup – 9/5 – Ron Schlitt, 9/12 – Jeff Millikin, 9/19 – Dawn Mueller, 9/26 – Lisa Olson.

September Birthdays - 9/15 – Loni Jaeger, 9/18 – Brad Traver, 9/30 – Peter Wilk.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING September 19, 2013

OPENING: President Matt Schwechel called the meeting to order. Paul Johnsen led the club in prayer. Matt then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The club sang "Happy Birthday" in honor of Brad Traver. Congratulations Brad!

GREETERS REPORT: Paul Johnsen introduced Iris Hulpert from the Slinger-Allenton Rotary Club as a guest at today's meeting.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Matt introduced Olivia and Lawrence as September Students of the Month from Hartford Union High School. Students gave a short speech about themselves.

Before attending Hartford Union High School, Olivia went to Richfield school. She has one brother and one sister. She is very active in church activities at Northbrook and St. Gabrielle's Church. Olivia is enrolled in 6 AP courses at HUHS and therefore, has a very challenging academic schedule. Olivia is an officer of the National Honor Society at HUHS and a member of the varsity cross-country team. After graduation from HUHS, she hopes to attend Duke, Vanderbilt, or Marquette to pursue a degree in the medical field.

Lawrence has two older sisters. This is the first year that he is the only child at home with his parents. He comes from a very musical family and therefore he is very active the band at choral programs at HUHS. Lawrence has one of the male leads in the fall musical "Bye Bye Birdie" at HUHS. He has also been active in the boys soccer program at Hartford. After graduation from Hartford, Lawrence is planning to attend UW-Madison or Washington University in St. Louis to pursue a career in medicine.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: David is very impressed with the beautiful scenery is Wisconsin. He enjoys taking photos of the fall colors. He is adjusting well to the daily routine at HUHS.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Dave Wolbrink and Matt Zeman are still looking for laptop computers. So far, 13 have been donated from HUHS. The board is looking at a more formal donation process for this type of project.

Colleen Baus is still looking for a second host family for the second semester – January thru July 2014.

Members, who have ideas for groups and organizations that could benefit from some of the profits from this year's wine tasting fundraiser, should contact Janean Handel or Loni Jaeger. It is also the time to start planning your basket donation ideas for this year's event.

Matt informed the membership, that in addition to John Lonergan, the board recommended that Chuck Steinmetz and Dorothy Algiers be given Paul Harris recognition from the Hartford Rotary Club.

The Social Committee is looking for a host for this year's Christmas Party in early December. Loni and Janean will be sending out an e-mail to get input on the social activities the club members would like them to pursue.

Fred gave an Enchantment in the Park update. The club is still looking for one more committee member from the club. At this time, six members have volunteered to be on a committee. The club needs a 7<sup>th</sup> to receive the \$3000.00 for participation in the project. The project setup will start soon in early October.

Brenda Johnsten gave an update on "The Big Read" project sponsored by the Schauer Arts and Activities Center.

Students from HUHS that attended the World Affairs Seminar this summer will give a presentation at the September 26<sup>th</sup> club meeting.

Monica Phillips will give an update on Polio Plus at the October 3<sup>rd</sup> club meeting.

Performer Joshua Kane will present a few readings from Edgar Allen Poe at the October 17<sup>th</sup> club meeting. He will be giving an evening performance at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center during the week.

PROGRAM: Matt highlighted some of the key items discussed at Wednesday morning's board meeting.

- **❖** Gretchen Vickney presented the club's financials. The reports are attached to this week's bulletin.
- **❖** The board will review the new guidelines from Rotary International to see if our club is following them.
- **❖** The board approved a \$750.00 donation to the "Shop with a Cop Program".
- **❖** The board discussed potential changes for the golf outing fundraiser for next year.
- **❖** The board is looking a developing a formal donation procedure for the laptop program to Guatemala.

Tim Algiers was the lucky winner of this week's birthday raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Ed Heck had a chance to win \$458.00 but he drew the King of Diamonds.

Attendance: Ed Heck reported 80.6% attendance at today's meeting. Sgt. At Arms Report: Tim Algiers collected \$29.00 in fines from the membership at today's meeting.