HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

December 19, 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?"

December Sgt. at Arms – Brenda Johnston December Greeter – Dane Schepp

HUHS Pickup – 12/5 – John Stellmacher, 12/12 – Bob Stumpner, 12/19 – Brad Traver, 12/26 – No School.

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

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING December 12, 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.

GREETERS REPORT: Dane Schepp introduced Martina, guest of Brenda Johnston and Anna, guest of Matt Zeman to the membership.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Matt introduced Allen, Jessica, and Margaret as Rotary Students of the Month for December. Each student will give a brief speech about their activities at HUHS and their future plans on December 19th.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: David spoke about the Wisconsin weather. It is not as cold in France. David also spoke about some of the Christmas traditions in France comparing them to the ones he is experiencing now in the United States.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our club has committed to work at Enchantment in the Park on December 27^{th} . Please check your calendars to see if you can help out on that date. Twelve to Fifteen people are needed to work at the event on the 27^{th} .

Loni passed out stars to those that turned in their wine tasting basket items. The date for this year's wine tasting fundraiser is February 15th. Loni and Janean would like to complete the table sponsor signup by the end of the month. Janean passed out tickets to sell to the members present.

The Executive Committee Board meetings will now take place at the Golf Club on the 3rd Thursday of each month starting at 11:00 AM. This month's board meeting is scheduled for December 19th.

Matt thanked the Ledesmas for hosting this year's Christmas party.

Matt passed around an envelope for Rotarians to put in a donation for the staff at the Golf Club. He will send around the envelope again next week.

PROGRAM: Martina spoke about her experiences serving as an intern at the Schauer Center. She met Brenda Johnston while Brenda was working on her Master's Degree in Italy. Martina was interested in learning more about fundraising for non-profit organizations. She has been interning at the Schauer Center for the past three months. She will be returning to Italy in the next ten days. She has enjoyed her experience working with Brenda at the Schauer Center. She also shared some humorous experiences she has had living in an apartment at the Berndt-Ledesma Funeral Home.

Melissa Richards was the lucky winner of this week's birthday raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Brenda Johnston had a chance to win \$760.00 but she drew the Seven of Clubs.

Attendance: Ed Heck reported 8 members absent at today's meeting. Sgt. At Arms Report: Brenda Johnston collected \$18.00 in fines from the membership at today's meeting.