

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

March 27, 2014

“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?”

**March Sgt. at Arms – Dane Schepp
March Greeter – Tim Purman**

HUHS Pickup – 3/6 – Colleen Baus, 3/13 – TBD, 3/20 – TBD, 3/27 – Harriet Doerfert.

March Birthdays - 3/8 – John Stellmacher, 3/13 – Nate Schlotthauer, 3/14 – Dave Wolbrink, 3/20 – Dawn Mueller, 3/21 – Tim Algiers, 3/27 – Colleen Baus.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

March 20, 2014

OPENING: President Matt Schwechel called the meeting to order. Greg Ledesma led the club in prayer. Matt then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The membership then sang “Happy Birthday” in honor of Tim Algiers. Congratulations Tim!

GREETERS REPORT: Tim Purman introduced guests John Schumacher and Art Pfitzinger.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Matt introduced Joshua, Melissa, and Somer as the March Rotary Students of the Month. Each student gave a brief talk about his or her accomplishments and future plans at today’s meeting.

Somer is very involved in Student Council at HUHS. She chairs the Homecoming Pep Rally committee and the Charity committee for student council. Recently, the Student Council raised over \$2,000 for Pennies for Patients. She is very involved in the training and breeding of German Shepherds with her family. After graduation from high school, Somer plans to attend UW-Madison to major in chemistry with the goal of becoming a doctor.

Joshua has lettered in track and cross-country at Hartford. He served as captain of the cross-country team and missed qualifying for state by four seconds. After graduation from high school, Joshua plans to attend Marantha Baptist College in Watertown to pursue a degree in business.

Melissa has been active in tennis, basketball, track, Skills USA, FFA, and the National Honor Society at Hartford. She has also put in over 300 volunteer hours for the Hartford Police Explorers the past four years. Melissa has also qualified for State Solos and Ensembles in band. Next fall, Melissa will complete her basic training for the National Guard. She plans to attend UW-Stevens Point in the 2nd semester to pursue a major in psychology and criminal science.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: David was not able to attend today's meeting. He's attending a Model UN conference in Milwaukee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This year's District Conference will be held in Oshkosh April 27th – April 28th. The District Seminar will be held in Oshkosh on April 28th. Matt passed around information about the conference.

Brad Traver is looking for volunteers to help him with this year's golf outing fundraiser. It will take place on June 24th. The flyers will be coming out soon. Our club and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Washington County are each committed to 17 foursomes.

The Step Africa performance at the Schauer Center is scheduled for Sunday, April 6th. Matt passed around a sign up sheet for those interested in attending the noon performance on April 7th. Invitations

are also being sent to other Rotary Clubs in the area to attend the meeting and performance.

On March 27th, a District Grant Seminar will be held in New Berlin.

Ron passed around a sign up sheet for those interested in helping with the final take down at Enchantment in the Park on Saturday, March 29th starting at 8:00 PM. Please check you calendars and if you are able to help out, you can sign up at next week's meeting to contact Ron Schlitt via e-mail.

The Teacher of the Year Recognition luncheon is scheduled for May 8th. Please keep this date open on your calendar.

Dave Groves invited interested Rotarians to attend Tuesday evening Common Council meeting at 7:00 PM. Several Hartford Police officers will be receiving special awards.

PROGRAM: Matt summarized the key points from Thursday morning's executive board meeting.

- ❖ The secretary and treasurers report were approved. So far the club has approved \$22,800.00 in donations to the greater Hartford Area. A copy of the financial statement will be attached with the March 27th bulletin.
- ❖ The Paul Harris money has been sent in.
- ❖ The Haiti food pack request and several other donation requests were tabled until next month's board meeting.
- ❖ The club will sponsor Kristin Schmidt, our outbound exchange student to Spain, and two other students from HUHS to the World Affairs Seminar at Carroll University in June.
- ❖ Janean, Loni, June, and Matt are organizing the 90th anniversary party for the Hartford Rotary Club. It will take place sometime in May or June and it will be held at the Fireside Room in the Chandelier Ballroom. More details will be coming soon.

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

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, June Ertenberg had a chance to win over \$86.50 but she drew the Queen of Clubs instead.

Attendance: Ed Heck reported 10 members absent at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Dane Schepp collected \$24.00 in fines from the membership at today's meeting.