## HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

**April 3, 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?"

April Sgt. at Arms – Brad Traver April Greeter – Greg Ledesma

HUHS Pickup – 4/3 – Tom Doubleday, 4/10 – Dave Groves, 4/17 – Janean Handel, 4/24 – No School.

April Birthdays - 4/4 – Loretta Klassen, 4/10 – Tim Purman, 4/19 – Mike Mally.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING March 27, 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 Colleen Baus. Congratulations Colleen!

**GREETERS REPORT:** Tim Purman introduced perspective new member Amanda Choe.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Matt introduced Joshua, Melissa, and Somer as the March Rotary Students of the Month. Matt handed out the Hartford Rotary Club Student of the Month certificate to each student.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: David attended the Model UN Conference at UW-Milwaukee last week. He enjoyed seeing the campus. HUHS represented the countries of Luxemburg and the

United Arab Emirates at the conference. Some of the topics discussed were arms trafficking, human trafficking, and prostitution. Hartford won six awards at the conference. David started track at HUHS in early march. He is participating in several spring events. He attended the musical "Spamalot" with Fred and Betsy last weekend.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

This year's District Conference will be held in Oshkosh April 27<sup>th</sup> – April 28<sup>th</sup>. The District Seminar will be held in Oshkosh on April 28<sup>th</sup>. 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 24<sup>th</sup>. 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 6<sup>th</sup>. Matt passed around a sign up sheet for those interested in attending the noon performance on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Invitations are also being sent to other Rotary Clubs in the area to attend the meeting and performance. The club will have a round table for lunch at the Golf Club on April 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be no program on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

On March 27<sup>th</sup>, 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 29<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup>. Please keep this date open on your calendar.

Dave Wolbrink gave an update on the Haiti water project. The grant is moving forward. He recently received monetary commitments from the West Bend Sunrise, Waukesha, Plymouth, Cedarburg, and the Milwaukee North Sunrise Rotary Clubs toward the project.

Matt received thank you notes from United Way and Family Promise for our clubs recent donations to their organizations.

Matt thanked Loni Jaeger, Janean Handel, and June Ertenberg for the work they have done so far in organizing the Hartford Rotary Club's 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party. It will be held at the Chandelier Ballroom on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Invitations for the event will be going out soon.

PROGRAM: Kathy Fies presented a program on Elevate, a community resource center formerly known as Nova Services and Council on AODA. The mission of Elevate is to provide a continuum of services, which empowers and supports responsibility, accountability, and dignity for individuals, families and communities from the Washington County area and reduces the risk for behavior health issues and other high-risk behavior. The organization provides mental health and crisis stabilization services, youth substance use prevention services, and intervention programs.

Dave Wolbrink was the lucky winner of this week's birthday raffle.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Doug Smith had a chance to win \$101.00 but he drew the Jack of Hearts instead.

Attendance: Ed Heck reported 9 active and 4 Rule of 85 members absent at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Dane Schepp collected \$37.00 in fines from the membership at today's meeting. Loni Jaeger announced the birth of her newest grandson, Brooks Frederick. Congratulations Loni!