

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

April 24, 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

April 17, 2014

OPENING: President Matt Schwechel called the meeting to order on both days. 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” to Mike Mally. Congratulations Mike!

GREETERS REPORT: Janean Handel introduced Ken Rieser of the Slinger-Allenton Club, Craig Petersen of the West Bend Noon Club and Sheila Trost as guests at today’s meeting.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Matt introduced Alexis, Deanna, and Kaitlyn as the Hartford Rotary Club Students of the Month for April. They gave a brief speech about their interests and future plans at today’s meeting.

Deanna played soccer and ran cross-Country at HUHS. She has earned three varsity letters in soccer and is the captain of this year’s team.

Deanna is also very active in the music program at Hartford. She was part of the cast in the fall musical “Bye Bye Birdie” and is a member of the HUHS Concert Choir. She will be traveling with the Concert Choir this spring to perform in New York City. Deanna will attend St. Norbert College in the fall to major in International Business. She plans to run cross-country and be part of the music program at St. Norbert College.

Kaitlyn was a competitive gymnast since 4th grade. Injuries forced her to give up the sport during her sophomore year. She participated in track and cross-country at HUHS during her junior and senior years. Kaitlyn plays the piano and has been a member of the choir program at HUHS all four years. Kaitlyn has been accepted at UW-Madison but is also looking at school in South Carolina. She would like to pursue a career in medicine.

Alexis loves dance and enjoys working with children with special needs. She is a member of the 2013 World Champion Energizers Team. She will also be part of the team that will defend their title in Florida this spring. She started a special needs dance class as part of the Energizers program. Alexis plans to attend Cardinal Stritch University in the fall to pursue a degree in Special Education. She would then like to pursue a degree in special needs law at Marquette University.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: In honor of Poetry Month, David read a poem in English and French by the French writer Victor Hugo. Hugo was also the author of the classic novel “Les Miserables”.

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.

Ken Rieser of the Slinger-Allenton Club promoted the Shrimp and Fish Fry fundraiser at Slinger High School and the Super Ball Drop at the Slinger-Allenton's June 2nd Golf Outing fundraiser.

Janean Handel collected donations for the "Laura Smiles" cancer fundraiser.

Matt received a thank you card for our recent donation to the "Support the Troops" organization.

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

The Hartford Rotary Club's 90th Anniversary Party will be held at the Chandelier Ballroom in the Fireside room on Sunday, May 4th. Cocktails will be served starting at 5:00 PM and dinner will follow at 6:00 PM. Invitations for the event have been sent out.

Mike Mally has been working on cleaning out our storage facility at the Wisconsin Auto Museum. The space will not be used only for storage and not as an office. If you have any Hartford Rotary Club items that need to be stored please contact Mike Mally or Dawn Mueller at the Auto Museum.

PROGRAM: Matt summarized the key items discussed at Thursday morning's executive board meeting.

- ❖ A \$200 donation was approved for the Hartford Community Lunch Program.**
- ❖ A \$250 donation was approved for the Elevate organization.**
- ❖ A \$200 donation was approved for the Bookworm program.**
- ❖ A \$3000 donation was approved to support an international artist at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center next season.**
- ❖ Next year's Rotary Exchange Student is a female student from Brazil.**
- ❖ The Packer Raffle tickets will be coming out soon.**
- ❖ Planning for a Wine and Dine golf outing at the Hartford Golf Course is in the works. It will be held sometime in September.**

❖ **Dave Groves is applying for a District Grant to host a community informational program on addiction issues sometime next year.**

Doug Smith and Dane Schepp were the lucky winners of this week's birthday raffles.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Student of the Month, Alexis had a chance to win \$144.00 but she drew the Two of Spades instead.

Attendance: Ron Schlitt reported 6 active and 4 Rule of 85 members absent at today's meeting.

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