

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

October 2, 2014

“Light Up Rotary”

“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?”

**October Sgt. at Arms – Melissa Richards
October Greeter – Brad Traver**

HUHS Pickup – 10/2 – Nate Schlotthauer, 10/9 – Matt Schwechel, 10/16 – Mark Smits, 10/23 – John Spielmann, 10/30 – John Stellmacher.

October Birthdays - No October Birthdays.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING September 25, 2014

OPENING: President Dave Groves called the meeting to order. Verlin Wandrey led the club in prayer. Dave then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Dave also announced that it was National Sea Otter Awareness Week!

GREETERS REPORT: Bob Stumpner introduced the September Students of the Month. He also introduced Jean Kiloran, host parent for our exchange student Maria.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Dave introduced Mitch and Ashley, our September Rotary Students of the Month. Mitch gave a brief talk about his accomplishments and future plans.

Mitch has been very active all four years in co-curricular activities at Hartford Union High School. Mtich has earned three varsity letters in football and four varsity letters in track. He has also been active in the National Honor Society, Skills USA, H-Club, Math

Team, FBLA Club, and the DECA Club at Hartford. Mitch currently serves as President of both the FBLA Club and DECA Club.

Mitch has been on the High Honor Roll since his freshmen year. He received special recognition during his junior year by receiving the National Honor Society Spade Award given annually to the student ranked number one in the junior class. Mitch was a participant in the WIAA State Track Championships during his sophomore year. Last year, he qualified for the FBLA National Competition held in Nashville, Tennessee by placing third in the state in the EBusiness competition.

Mitch has given back to his community by doing volunteer work for the Gridiron Club, St. Mary of the Hill parish, the Hartford Women's Craft Fair, and the March for Babies Fundraiser Walk. He has participated annually in the HUHS H-Club's Toys-for-Tots and food drives. Mitch also serves as a coach in the Hartford Park and Recreation Youth Football Program.

After graduation from HUHS, Mitch plans to pursue a degree in Computer Engineering at UW-Madison.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Maria enjoyed a nice weekend in Chicago with the other area exchange students. She suffered an injury in her culinary arts class at the high school. She will not be able to participate in tennis for the rest of the season. She was victorious in her last match at Muskego.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Brenda Johnston said that we are still looking for a second host family for Maria for the 2nd semester. We also need host families for next year's exchange student.

Loni reported that Doug Smith is now at home and his health is improving.

Brian Priestaf will be undergoing radiation treatment on his hip and spine in two weeks. Please keep Brian and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Dave spoke about the upcoming programs and events for the club.

Dave thanked Betsy and Janean on the outstanding job they did organizing the “Grapes, Hops, and Greens” golf outing. Due to their efforts, the club is donating \$1000 to Project 2nd Start.

October 2 a final briefing will be given on the Community U project.

October 6 Hartford Community U Event.

October 9 District Governor, Mary Beth Sieser will speak at our club meeting.

October 16 Board Meeting Report

Oct 18 is the date for the District Fall conference in West Bend. All should plan to attend from 8 to noon.

On October 23rd there will be a presentation on the Hartford Pool Project.

October 24 World Polio Day

The District Foundation Dinner will be held on November 6th at the Chandelier Ballroom. Please keep this date open on your calendar. More details about the event will be coming soon.

PROGRAM: Mayor, Joe Dauterman, gave his annual state of the city address. The city is in good financial shape. He said that all municipal facilities have been updated since 1998. Some of the projects that have been completed include 2 water towers, new sewer lines, the Hartford Recreation Center, the Police Department and City Hall remodeling, the Jack Russell Memorial Library, and a new pool project to be completed in 2016. Studies are also being done on downtown revitalization. This has all been accomplished with only one tax increase in the past eleven years.

Birthday Raffle – Irene Parker was the lucky winner of this week’s birthday raffle.

Ace of Hearts Raffle – Brenda Johnston had a chance to win \$597.00 but she drew the Six of Clubs. Matt Schwechel also had a chance to win \$597.00 but he drew the Jack of Diamonds.

Attendance: Matt Schwechel reported 9 members absent without prior makeup at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Brenda Johnston collected \$23.00 in fines at today's meeting.