

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

November 20, 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?”

**November Sgt. at Arms – Penny Jo Zagel
November Greeter – Nate Schlotthauer**

HUHS Pickup – 11/6 – Bob Stumpner, 11/13 – Brad Traver, 11/20 – Gretchen Vickney, 11/27 – No School, Thanksgiving.

November Birthdays - 11/3 –Irene Parker, 11/6 – John Spielmann, 11/11 – Betsy Wittenberger, 11/20 – Dane Schepp.

Ace of Hearts Raffle Volunteer Schedule – November- Harriet Doerfert, December – Dane Schepp, January – Janean Handel, February – Ron Schlitt.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

November 13, 2014

OPENING: President Dave Groves called the meeting to order. Betsy Wittenberger led the club in prayer. Dave then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The club then sang “Happy Birthday” to Betsy Wittenberger. Congratulations Betsy! The club was also reminded that it is “National Sadie Hawkins Day”.

GREETERS REPORT: Nate Schlotthauer introduced our guest speaker Kristin from United Way, our students of the month Hannah, Kristen, and Jonathan and visiting Rotarians Iris Hulpert and Russ Brandt from the Slinger-Allenton Rotary Club.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Dave reminded Hannah, Kristen, and Jonathan, our November Rotary Students of the Month, that they should be prepared to give a brief talk about their accomplishments and future plans at our November 20th club meeting.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Maria enjoyed visiting with fellow exchange students from Germany last weekend. Last Wednesday, she attended the movie “The Judge” with the Hartford Rotary Club. Maria rode in a Hartford Police car during the Hartford Christmas Parade. She said she really enjoyed the experience.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Melissa Richards will be collecting Christmas tip money for the wait staff at the Hartford Golf Club the next few weeks.

Loni would like all basket items for this year’s wine tasting fundraiser submitted to her by December 5th. Cash donations can also be made in lieu of the basket items. The committee would prefer to have gift cards and certificates from local restaurants and merchants.

Loni reported that 13 people attended the pizza/ movie night on November 12th.

Penny Jo circulated a sign up sheet for the Salvation Army bell-ringing project scheduled for December 6th. There are still 2 time slots that need to be filled.

Loni passed out flyers with information about the club Christmas party to be held at the Wittenbergers on December 13th. She will circulate a sign up sheet at next week’s meeting.

Matt Schwechel announced that the nominating committee is seeking interested candidates for 2 director’s positions and some officer positions for next year. He will be sending out an e-mail with more details soon. The vote to finalize next year’s board will take place at our December 18th club meeting.

Dave Wolbrink and a man from Haiti attended a well training session in Texas last week. It proved to be an effective training session for the

Haitian. Dave purchased \$250 worth of tools that can be take back to Haiti to help with the clean water project there.

The club decided to work only the December 12th date at Enchantment in the Park. A sign up sheet was circulated at the club meeting.

Fred reported that the Foundation Dinner held at the Chandelier Ballroom on November 6th was a great success.

Dave highlighted the upcoming programs and events for the club.

11/20 – Board Meeting Report.

11/27 – Thanksgiving – No meeting.

12/4 – Katie Morrow from Teen Challenge will be our guest speaker.

12/11 – Carol Redders will give a talk on “Dignity Bags”.

December 12th is our evening to work at Enchantment in the Park.

December 13th – The Club Christmas Party will be held at Fred and Betsy Wittenberger’s home.

PROGRAM: Kristin presented a program on United Way of Washington County. Your investment in United Way is used to address issues related to education, income, and health in Washington County. In addition to the 20 organization that currently receive funding in Washington County, United Way is taking a new step forward by getting at the root-cause of community needs in order to create lasting changes. Based on community conversations, jobs with life sustainable wages and work skills were identified as top needs in our county. United Way is working in partnership with a new Washington County Workforce Alliance to develop strategies that will enable low-income families and individuals to achieve and retain employment.

Birthday Raffle – Penny Jo Zagel and Irene Parker were the lucky winners of this week’s birthday raffles.

Ace of Hearts Raffle – Melissa Richards had a chance to win \$763.00 but she drew the Four of Spades.

Attendance: Matt Schwechel reported 11 members absent without prior makeup at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Penny Jo Zagel collected \$33.00 in fines at today's meeting. Janean Handel paid a happy fine and announced that they are celebrating their 40th anniversary as a business.