

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

April 16, 2015

“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?”

**April Sgt. at Arms – Betsy Wittenberger
April Greeter – Colleen Baus**

HUHS Pickup – 4/2 – Loni Jaeger, 4/9 – No School, 4/16 – Paul Johnsen, 4/23 – Brenda Johnston, 4/30 – Greg Ledesma.

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

Ace of Hearts Raffle Volunteer Schedule – April – Loni Jaeger, May – Ron Schlitt, June – Dane Schepp.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

April 9, 2015

OPENING: President Dave Groves called the meeting to order. Paul Johnsen led the club in prayer. Dave then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Dave announced that it was “National Name Yourself Day”. Dave acknowledged the birthday of Tim Purman.

GREETERS REPORT: Colleen Baus introduced Harriet Doerfert and Rosie Wolbrink as guests of Dave Wolbrink.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Dave announced that the April Rotary Students of the Month would give a brief talk about their accomplishments and future plans at our April 23rd meeting.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Maria was not in attendance at today's meeting due to Spring Break at the high school.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dave highlighted the upcoming programs and events for the club.

April 16th – The meeting will take place at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center.

April 23rd – Mark Brunner will speak on Citizen Advocacy. Rotary Student of the Month speeches will also be given.

April 30th – Peter Wilk will speak on the recently completed Medical Mission to Guatemala.

The 2015 Teachers of the Year, Mark Arnholt – Hartford Union High School, Katie Malterer – J1 Hartford School District, and Mary Rauch – St. Kilian School will be honored at our May 14th club meeting.

Mike Mally inducted Mark Wolbrink as our newest club member. Congratulations and welcome Mark!

The April 16th club meeting will be held at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center.

Dave received a thank you note from the Boy Scouts for the clubs recent donation to their organization.

Loni is looking into a painting and wine social at the Schauer Center on either May 6th or 7th. More details will be coming soon.

Please support Betsy Wittenberger by voting on line for the “Dancing to Make a Difference” fundraiser.

Dave Groves gave a brief update on the items discussed at Thursday morning's board meeting.

- ❖ **The minutes and financial statements were approved as presented.**

- ❖ So far this year, the club has donated \$30,000 to the greater Hartford Community.
- ❖ The club is still waiting for a \$900 check from Enchantment in the Park.
- ❖ The club is still waiting for a check for its share of the profits from last summer's golf outing.
- ❖ The paper work is being finalized for the 100% Paul Harris participation by our club.

PROGRAM: Dave Wolbrink provided an update on the water projects supported by our club in Guatemala and Haiti. Over 1.4 million children die each year from dirty water.

- ❖ The club spent \$30,000 in 2008 to chlorinate, fluoridate, and repair a well in San Martin and Olivares, Guatemala. The well is still working well today. The children are healthy now.
- ❖ The club provides 12 scholarships a year to help children in those communities continue their education.
- ❖ The club spent \$15,000 in 2013 for a water treatment system for San Rafael, Guatemala.
- ❖ In 2013 – 2015, the club started to work on providing clean water to Haiti. \$15,000 have been spent on Sawyer Bucket filters in Haiti.
- ❖ Through fundraising and district grants, \$58,000 has been spent to restore wells in the Mirabalais, Haiti area. Each community in that area now has a committee to supervise the well and collect minimal fees to maintain the wells.

Birthday Raffle – Nate Schlotthauer was the lucky winner of this week's birthday raffle.

Ace of Hearts Raffle – Greg Ledesma had a chance to win \$1,377.50 but he drew the Six of Clubs. There are only 8 cards left in the deck.

Attendance: Matt Schwechel reported 14 members absent without prior makeup at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Dale Anderson collected \$22.00 in fines at today's meeting.