

# HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

December 3, 2015

**“Be A Gift To The World”**

**“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?”**

December Sgt. at Arms – Matt Schwechel  
December Greeter – Greg Ledesma

HUHS Pickup – 12/3 – Betsy Wittenberger, 12/10 – Dane Schepp, 12/17 – Tom Doubleday, 12/24 – No Club Meeting.

December Birthdays - 12/3 – Scott Moore, 12/4 – Dave Groves, 12/14 – Gretchen Vickney.

**DECEMBER PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS – 12/3 – Matt Schwechel, 12/10 – Laurie Barz, 12/17 – Club Meeting.**

**JANUARY PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS – 1/7 – Tim Purman, 1/14 - Deb Reinbold, 1/21 – Club Meeting, 1/28 – Melissa Richards.**

Ace of Hearts Raffle Volunteer Schedule –December – TBA.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

November 19, 2015

**OPENING:** President Lisa Olson called the meeting to order. Paul Johnsen led the club in prayer. Lisa then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The club sang “Happy Birthday” to Dane Schepp. Congratulations Dane!

**GREETERS REPORT:** Mike Mally introduced his guest, Marilyn Raschka, District Governor, Karen White, Ken Reiser of the Slinger

**Allenton Rotary Club and our November Students of the Month, Alyssa, Amy, and Adam.**

**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Our November Students of the Month, Alyssa, Amy, and Adam gave a brief speech about their accomplishments and future plans at today's club meeting.**

**Alyssa has been active in co-curricular activities while attending Hartford Union High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has participated in Forensics, the school musicals and plays and the girl's tennis program at Hartford. Alyssa recently played the lead role of Dolly in the HUHS production of "Hello Dolly" at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center. The HUHS Concert Choir plays a huge role in her life and in 2015; Higley received an Exemplary Soloist Award at State Solo and Ensemble. She has also been a member of the WSMA State Honors Choir the past two years.**

**Alyssa has given back to her community by volunteering her time every summer as a program aide at the Girl Scout Camp held at Camp Winding River. She also serves as Director of the children's choir at First United Methodist Church in Hartford.**

**Alyssa plans to attend St. Norbert College in De Pere, WI. Presently, she is undecided on her major but most likely it will be centered on English. She enjoys all forms of it: reading, writing, speaking, and simply communicating with people.**

**Amy has been very active in co-curricular activities all four years at Hartford Union High School. She has been a member of the girl's varsity golf team all four years and has served as captain of the team the past three years. Amy was also named the teams MVP the past three years. Amy is a member of the National Honor Society, the H-Club, the Math Team and the HUHS Concert Choir, and has participated in Girls Track and Field, Girls Softball, Forensics, and the school musicals at Hartford. She was selected to be part of the WSMA State Honors Choir in 2015. Amy has been a member of the HUHS Student Council all four years and currently serves as its President.**

**Amy has received numerous special honors while attending Hartford. She represented HUHS at Badger Girls State during her junior year. Amy is an AP Scholar with Distinction and was recently named a National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist. Her peers elected her Homecoming Queen in 2015. Amy has received numerous awards**

**in Girls Golf. She was the Regional Tournament Individual Champion in 2015 and a state qualifier in 2014 and 2015. She was selected 3<sup>rd</sup> Team All-State in 2015. Amy has been part of the Wisconsin Little Ten All-Conference 1<sup>st</sup> Team the past three years. The Wisconsin Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin selected Amy to be on the Wisconsin Academic All-State Team the past three years.**

**Amy has given back to her community by volunteering her time at the Boys and Girls Club of Hartford, the All Saints Meal Program, and Central Middle School Forensics meets and Solo/Ensemble Festivals. She has also participated in numerous Student Council and H-Club fundraising events at HUHS.**

**Amy plans to attend St. Norbert College in DePere, WI to study Pre-Medicine with a Major in Biology and minors in Chemistry and Spanish.**

**Adam has been active in co-curricular activities at Hartford. He is a member of the varsity baseball team, the National Honor Society, the Math Team, H-Club, and the DECA and FBLA Clubs. He has been on the high honor roll the first six semesters of high school and recently received an AP Scholar Award. Adam has also competed in the State and National FBLA competitions. He placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Computer Applications at the FBLA Regionals, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 3D Animation at FBLA State, and 10<sup>th</sup> in 3D Animation at FBLA Nationals.**

**Adam has given back to his community by doing volunteer work at Vacation Bible School through his Church, the Boys and Girls Club of Hartford, and the FBLA/DECA's Salvation Army Bell Ringing campaign and the canned food drive for the Hartford Food Pantry.**

**After high school, Adam plans to attend UW-Madison to pursue a degree in Computer Science.**

## **EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT:**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Lisa highlighted the upcoming programs and events for the club.**

**Lisa reminded club members to check the website for program assignments. You should also let Fred or Lisa know when you have finalized a program speaker so it can be put on the calendar of events.**

**District Governor presented a certificate to Lisa Olson and Dave Groves to commemorate the club's \$1500 donation to the End Polio Now Fund.**

**There is no meeting on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Happy Thanksgiving!!!**

**The December 3<sup>rd</sup> program will be presented by the Friends of Abused Families organization.**

**The club Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at Kyle and Melissa Richards home. It will start at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$20.00 per person. There will be a sign up sheet at next week's club meeting.**

**Fred has tickets if anyone is interested in attending the Taste of Washington County on Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The proceeds from that event benefit the Boys and Girls Clubs of Washington County.**

**No club meetings will be held on December 24<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**Ron Schlitt sent around a "Christmas Gift" donation envelope for the wait staff at the Golf Course. We will continue to collect money on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and December 10<sup>th</sup>. We would like to present the gift to the wait staff at our December 17<sup>th</sup> Club meeting.**

**Wine Tasting Basket donation items should be turned in to Loni or Janean by December 17<sup>th</sup>. Cash donations are also welcome.**

**Lisa did the first reading for Rachel Geschke as our newest member. If there are any objections to have Rachel become part of the Hartford Rotary Club, please contact Lisa.**

**PROGRAM: Lisa shared the key items discussed at Thursday morning's board meeting.**

- ❖ Lisa and Peter Wilk will be sending out a survey to the membership to get feedback about club traditions, potential meeting times etc.**

- ❖ **The club nominating committee will be starting their work soon. They would like to have the slate of officers for next year finalized by the end of December.**
- ❖ **The board approved a \$300 donation to the Boys and Girls Club of Hartford in honor of Gene Wittenberger.**
- ❖ **The board approved a \$750 donation to the “Shop with a Cop” program.**
- ❖ **Four families have expressed an interest in hosting our new exchange student Tomas starting in January. Matt Zeman will start interviewing the perspective host families soon.**
- ❖ **The three organizations that will be benefactors from this year’s Wine Tasting Fundraiser are Life of Hope, Inter Faith Care Givers, and the Pink Pumpkin Run.**

**Birthday Raffle: Penny Jo Zagel was the lucky winner of this week’s birthday raffle.**

**Ace of Hearts Raffle: Ken Reiser of the Slinger Allenton Rotary Club was the lucky winner of this week’s raffle. He had a chance to win \$87.00 buy drew the Six of Diamonds.**

**Attendance: Matt Schwechel reported 8 members absent without prior makeup.**

**Sgt. At Arms Report: No Report.**