HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

January 14, 2016

"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?"

January Sgt. at Arms – John Spielmann January Greeter – TBD

HUHS Pickup – 1/7 – Laurie Barz, 1/14 – Dave Wolbrink, 1/21 – Greg Ledesma, 1/28 – Scott Moore.

January Birthdays - 1/3 – Janean Handel.

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

FEBRUARY PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS – 2/4 – Dane Schepp, 2/11 – Peter Wilk, 2/18 – Club Meeting, 2/25 – Scott Moore.

Ace of Hearts Raffle Volunteer Schedule – January – TBA.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING January 7, 2016

OPENING: President Lisa Olson called the meeting to order. Greg Ledesma led the club in prayer. Lisa then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The club sang "Happy Birthday" to Janean Handel. Congratulations Janean!

GREETERS REPORT: Penny Jo Zagel introduced our January Rotary Students of the Month, Aubrie, Marissa, and Aaron.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Our January Students of the Month, Aubrie, Marissa, and Aaron will give a brief speech about their accomplishments and future plans at our January 21st club meeting.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Lisa shared e-mail from our Outbound Exchange student, Katie Slickman. She has been living in Brazil now for five months. She has a great host family and is becoming more comfortable speaking Portuguese. School is different in Brazil; they have a 4 hr. day and the teachers rotate classes instead of the students. Educational expectations of the students are lower in Brazil than in the United States. She is part of the Rotary Interact Club at school. She is looking forward to an upcoming trip to travel to other parts of Brazil.

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.

The wine tasting event in scheduled for Saturday, February 20th. Ticket money should be turned in to Janean by January 14th.

John Spielmann announced that Tomes, our new exchange student from Argentina, would be arriving in the next two weeks. He will be staying with the Mike Lane family until June. One more family is still needed to host Tomes from June to January. If interested please contact John.

The nominating committee will present the 2016-17 slate of officers to the membership in January.

Peter Wilk will be leaving for the Guatemala Medical Mission next week. This is Peter's 10^{th} mission. Good luck Peter and have a safe return trip.

On January 14th, Friends of Abused Families will present the program.

January 21st – Club Board Meeting review and Student of the Month Speeches.

Aaron Kocha and Amy Borntrager will present the January 28th program on Exploring Posts.

PROGRAM: Lisa conducted a future planning activity for the club. What does the future hold and how can we encourage more people to join our club. Each person shared their 2-minute elevator speech with fellow Rotarians. She talked about the club survey that will be coming out later in the week. Every Hartford Rotarian needs to complete this survey. The information obtained from this survey is very important for the future growth of our club.

Birthday Raffle: Aubrie, one of our January students of the month, was the lucky winner of this week's birthday raffle.

Ace of Hearts Raffle: Dave Wolbrink was the lucky winner of this week's raffle. He had a chance to win \$153.00 but drew the Four of Diamonds.

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

Sgt. At Arms Report: John Spielmann collected \$30.00 in fines at today's meeting.