

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

May 26, 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?”

May Sgt. at Arms – Gretchen Vickney
May Greeter – Scott Moore

HUHS Pickup – 5/5 – Colleen Baus, 5/12 – Jeff Millikin, 5/19– Peter Wilk, 5/26 – Tom Doubleday.

May Birthdays - 5/6 – Paul Johnsen, 5/13 – Matt Schwechel, 5/27 – Doug Smith.

MAY PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS – 5/5 – Betsy Wittenberger, 5/12 – Ron Schlitt, 5/19 – Club Meeting, 5/26 – Mike Wollner.

JUNE PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS – 6/2 – Mark Wolbrink, 6/9 – Penny Jo Zagel, 6/16 – Club Meeting, 6/23 – Ron Schlitt – Hartford Rotary Foundation Annual Meeting, 6/30 – Changing of the Guard.

Ace of Hearts Raffle Volunteer Schedule – May – TBA.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

May 19, 2016

OPENING: President Lisa Olson called the meeting to order. Lisa led the club in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

GREETERS REPORT: Dawn Mueller introduced our Students of the Month, Leah, Meredith, Spencer, and Jacob and our Rotary Exchange Student, Tomas.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Leah, Meredith, Spencer, and Jacob gave a brief speech about their accomplishments and future plans at today's meeting.

Leah has run track at Hartford since her sophomore year. She currently holds the girl's pole vault record at HUHS. She plans to attend Augustana College to major in Biochemistry or Pre-med. She would like to pursue a career in medical research. She also plans to compete in track at Augustana.

Jacob is the Co-president of both the FBLA and DECA clubs at HUHS. He will represent HUHS at the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Chicago. Jacob is also the editor in chief of the school newspaper "The Hartford Chronicle". He was a member of the boy's swim team at Hartford all four years and served as Co-captain and was named the MVP of this year's team. In the fall, Jacob plans to attend UW-Madison to major in Actuary Science.

Meredith was a member of the girl's swim team at Hartford all four years. She is very interested in Art and plans to attend Northern Michigan University in the fall to major in Art Education or Art Therapy. Meredith also plans to swim for the Northern Michigan girl's swim team.

Spencer is a member of the varsity boy's soccer team at HUHS. He is also active in the FBLA and DECA clubs at Hartford. In the fall, Spencer plans to attend UW-Madison to major in mechanical engineering.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Tomas was victorious in his last tennis match on Wednesday. He also had a great time with the other exchange students at the District Conference in Elkhart Lake.

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.

Joshua Schoemann, Washington County Administrator, will be our program speaker on May 26th.

John Barker will speak on entrepreneurship at our June 2nd club meeting.

Dale Stockhausen, from the Humane Society will be our guest speaker at our June 9th club meeting.

This year's Golf Outing fundraiser will be held on June 28th. Scott Moore gave an update on the planning going on for the event. Our club needs to lineup 15 foursomes. Each club member is also asked to contribute a bottle of good booze for the booze basket raffle.

The Hartford Rotary Foundation annual meeting will take place on June 23rd right after the general membership meeting. The agenda and the minutes from last year's annual meeting will be e-mailed to the membership the next few weeks.

The Changing of the Guard program will be held on June 30th.

The Love/Hate Project golf outing will be held at the Mayville Golf Course on June 4th.

The Boys and Girls Club of Washington County will be sponsoring a 5K Walk/Run on June 5th.

The Packer Raffle drawing tickets are being printed. The drawing will take place at our July 28th club meeting. So far only 28 Rotarians have picked up their tickets.

Ron Schlitt announced that Kylie and Shay would be the two students selected to attend the World Affairs Seminar at Carroll University.

Peter Wilk, Julie Wilk, Loni Jaeger, and Fred Wittenberger attended the recent District Conference at Elkhart Lake. They had a wonderful

time and gathered more information about Rotary that can be shared with our club. Peter also said that his wife Julie plans to join our club.

PROGRAM: Lisa highlighted the items discussed at Thursday morning's board meeting.

- ❖ **The board approved a six-month leave of absence for Rachel Geschke.**
- ❖ **The board will need to find a replacement to fill the International Director position.**
- ❖ **The board declined the donation request for Friends of Abused Families for this year due to low finances. The organization will be encouraged to apply again next year.**
- ❖ **Tomas will be moving in with his new host family in June.**
- ❖ **The Downtown Clock painting project is complete. It looks great.**
- ❖ **Peter Wilk and Fred are going to meet with Scott Henke to discuss possible sponsorship of the 4th of July fireworks.**
- ❖ **An e-mail vote will be coming soon on the new by-law change discussed at the board meeting.**

Birthday Raffle: Penny Jo Zagel was the lucky winner of today's raffle.

Dawn Mueller was the lucky winner of today's booze raffle.

Attendance: We had 23 members in attendance at today's meeting.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Gretchen Vickney collected \$16.00 at today's meeting.