

HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN

April, 2020

“Rotary Connects The World”

“Four Way Test – Is It The Truth? Is It Fair To All Concerned? Will It Build Goodwill And Better Friendships? Will It Be Beneficial To All Concerned?”

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

5/7/2020 The Teacher of the Year luncheon scheduled for this date will be rescheduled to a later date in the summer of early fall.

6/29/2020 - Tentative date for the Hartford Rotary Golf Outing.

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At this time, we will most likely not be meeting in May due to the COVID-19 regulations. If the regulations change, you will be notified via email when the next meeting is scheduled.

Sgt at Arms Schedule - 2019-2020

May - Laura Schieffer

June - TBD

Greeter Schedule-2019-2020

May - Irene Parker

June - John Spielmann

Program Speaker Responsibilities (if and when we meet)

May 1st Meeting - Ron Schlitt

2nd Meeting - Dane Schepp

June 1st Meeting - Matt Schwechel

2nd Meeting - Mark Smits
Game of Skill Duties
April - June - Game of Skill Contest - Tom Hostad

HUHS Pickup – Scott Helms

April Birthdays - Mike Mally, Tim Purman, Jay Triick.
May Birthdays - Matt Schwechel, Erin Wilk.

Special Announcements from April:

Ben Hoffmann has been selected as the Teacher of the Year from HUHS. Amber Schauer has been selected as the Teacher of the Year from Hartford Jt. #1. I am still waiting for the selection from Peace Lutheran School.

Hannah and Margaret (sophomores at HUHS) completed the application forms for the World Affairs Seminar scheduled for June 2020. The format for the seminar was changed to a virtual only conference. The students would not be meeting on campus at Carroll University. Hannah and Margaret were given the option to attend this summer or in 2021 when the seminar would be back on campus at Carroll University. Both students decided they would rather attend in the summer of 2021.

Dave Wolbrink completed a special district grant dealing with COVID-19 issues. The grant was approved and a check for \$750 was sent to the club to be used by the Hartford Food Pantry. Thanks Dave for completing the paperwork for this grant.

Mark Wolbrink completed the paperwork recently for the district grant for the club literacy project. The club will be receiving an additional \$1500 for the project. Thanks Mark for taking care of this for the club.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING
March 5, 2020

OPENING: President Tim Algiers called the meeting to order. Greg Ledesma led the club in prayer. Tim then led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

GREETERS REPORT: Fred Wittenberger introduced our inbound exchange student, Lennard, and our Rotary Student of the Month, Sarah and Jason. Izzie was not able to attend today's meeting due to a school sponsored event she was attending. Also in attendance were Michelle McGrew, guest of Loni Jaeger and our program speakers, Sheila and Alexi Trost.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Here are Sarah, Izzie and Jason's information sent via email.

Sarah earned varsity letters in both girls' cross-country and track. She was named MVP and Captain of the girls' cross country team. Sarah is also active in the H-Club, National Honor Society and the Band program at HUHS. Sarah is a three-year state qualifier for Solo and Ensemble and a state qualifier for the We the People competition.

Sarah has given back to her community by volunteering her time for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing campaign, Operation Christmas Child, Play 4 Cade baseball tournament, the Lincoln School Fun Fair, the Big Chill 5K run, and the Shamrock Shuffle 5K run. She also serves as a catechist aide at St. Kilian Church.

Sarah plans to attend UW-Oshkosh in the fall to earn a degree in Nursing.

Izzie is a member of SkillsUSA (currently State President), the Math Club, the National Honor Society, and the girls' tennis team. She has also participated in several HUHS musicals and is also a tap and Irish dancer. Izzie represented HUHS at Badger Girls State and was also selected as a DAR Good Citizen.

Izzie has given back to her community by volunteering her time as a Sunday School teacher at her church, a vacation Bible School helper, and serving as director of the Erin School Alumni Musical.

Izzie plans to attend Concordia University in the fall to pursue a major in Education, a major in Spanish, a minor in Musical Theatre, and a minor in Political Science.

Jason has been active in Boy's Cross Country, Track and Field, the Robotics team and the National Honor Society at HUHS. He is a pole vaulter on the track team and earned varsity letters in Boy's Cross Country and Robotics.

Jason plans to attend UW-Madison in the fall to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Lennard attended the Golden Dragon show at the Schauer Center recently and really enjoyed it. He also did a solo piece at the Solo and Ensemble competition this past weekend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tim highlighted the upcoming programs and events for the club.

Michelle McGrew presented a check for \$1000 to Loni Jaeger to be used for the club literacy project. The donation was made by her financial company, The Corporate Group Inc. Michelle did a great job designing the bookmark used in the literacy project.

Janean Handel reported that the club made a profit of \$13,700 from this year's wine tasting fundraiser. Great job again Janean!!!

PROGRAM: Laura Schieffer introduced Sheila and Alexi Trost from the Hartford Energizers and the Dream Center. Both Sheila and Alexi were former Hartford Rotary Students of the Month. The Energizer Dance Team started in 1994 and at that time were sponsored by the Hartford Recreation Department. For many years, they practiced in the gyms of the local school districts. Sheila had a vision to build her own practice facility. The process started in 2000 and the 18,000 square ft. facility was completed in 2004. At the facility they sponsor a dance school, competitive team practice facility, facility rentals, and before and after school age day care. Since 2009, the Energizers have won 19 World Championships. Alexi started the Dream Team in 2012 which provides students with disabilities the opportunity to dance. This team performed at the World Championships in 2014, 2015 and 2017.

BIRTHDAY RAFFLE: Dale Anderson, Michelle McGrew, and Mark Smits were the lucky winners of today's birthday raffles.

ATTENDANCE REPORT: There were 25 members, 3 students and 3 guests in attendance at today's meeting.

SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT: Tom Doubleday collected \$21.00 at today's meeting. He paid a \$5 Happy Fine because he reached the Rule of 85 milestone.

BEAN BAG GAME OF SKILL: Dave Wolbrink had a chance to win \$78.00 but did not get enough points to win.