

# **HARTFORD ROTARY BULLETIN**

**January 21, 2021**

## **“Rotary Opens Opportunities”**

**“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:**

**1/21/21 Board meeting @ 11:00 AM. Club meeting @ Noon. Student of the Month speech. Classification talks by members Ane Ohm and Teri Kermendy.**

**2/4/21 Club meeting @ Noon. Student of the Month speech. Program Speaker - Bob Cobleigh, RU Recovery Chapter**

**2/18/21 Board meeting @ 11:00 AM. Club meeting @ Noon. Student of the Month speech**

**2/20/21 Wine and Beer Tasting Bag pickup**

### **Sgt at Arms Schedule - 2020-2021**

**January 2021 - Tom Hostad  
February 2021 - Mary Brodzeller  
March 2021 - Teri Kermendy  
April 2021 - Dane Schepp  
May 2021 - Irene Parker  
June 2021 - Matt Schwechel**

### **Greeter Schedule-2020-2021**

**January 2021 - Teri Kermendy**  
**February 2021 - Greg Ledesma**  
**March 2021 - Jay Triick**  
**April 2021 - Mark Wolbrink**  
**May 2021 - Erin Wilk**  
**June - 2021 - Penny Jo Zagel**

**Program Speaker Responsibilities**

**January 21, 2021 - Mark Wolbrink**  
**February 4, 2021 - Dave Wolbrink**  
**February 18, 2021 - Betsy Wittenberger**  
**March 4, 2021 - John Spielmann**  
**March 18, 2021 - Fred Wittenberger**  
**April 1, 2021 - Janean Handel**  
**April 15, 2021 - Dawn Bondhus**  
**May 6, 2021 - Ron Schlitt**  
**May 20, 2021 - Tim Algiers**  
**June 3, 2021 - Colleen Baus**  
**June 17, 2021 - Tom Doubleday**

**Chase the Ace Duties**

**January/February - Julie Wilk**  
**March/April - Nate Schlotthauer**  
**May/June - Mike Mally**

**HUHS Pickup – Scott Helms**

**January Birthdays - Janean Handel**

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING**  
**January 7, 2021**

**OPENING: President Steve Volkert called the meeting to order. Steve led the club in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Fred led the club in singing “Happy Birthday” to Janean Handel.**

**Congratulations Janean! Steve asked each Rotarian to place \$2 in the center of the table.**

**GREETERS REPORT: Teri Kermendy introduced our program speaker, John Rettler, his daughter-in-law Bree, and Students of the Month, Irene and Hayley.**

**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: January Student of the Month, Irene, gave a brief speech about her accomplishments and future plans. Hayley will give her talk at the January 21st club meeting.**

Irene competed on the Varsity Girls Swim team all four years, serving as team captain the past two years, and was named MVP of the team. She competed in the State Swim meet all four years with her main event being the 50 Freestyle. Irene is very active in the music program at HUHS. She is a Color Guard member (4 years) and captain (2 years), first chair oboe in symphonic band, alto in concert choir, State Honors Choir (2 years), and participates in the fall musical and spring play. Irene really enjoyed going on two band trips to Florida and another band trip to London, England through the school.

Irene has given back to the community by participating on summer mission trips and volunteer work through her church, First United Methodist Church in Hartford.

After graduation from high school, Irene plans to attend UW-Stevens Point to pursue a major in Music Education.

#### **EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT:**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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

Tim Algiers has split the club into three teams. Ane Ohm, Tom Hostad and Tim Algiers will serve as team captains. Tim will send out more information about the competition via email. It will start the 1st week in February.

Ane Ohm and Teri Kermendy will give their classification talks at the January 21st club meeting. They will present information about

**themselves, their families, why they joined Rotary and what favorite things they do for fun.**

**Janean would like as many wine/beer tasting order forms turned into her by January 21st. All final orders are due by February 1st.**

**The next scheduled board meeting is on January 21st at 11:00 AM. All interested members are welcome to attend.**

**Mike Mally is looking for someone to fill in as Sargent for Irene Parker for the month of May. Please contact Mike Mally if you are able to fill in for her.**

**The 21-22 Board Elections will be held at the January 21st club meeting.**

**PROGRAM: Loni Jaeger introduced our program speaker, John Rettler from Tin Valley Farms. He had photos about his family run farm operation. The family business started in 1998. Three of his four sons and his daughter-in-law Bree are involved in the business. In 2017, he built a new state of the art computer operated natural flow barn with 4 robots used for milking the herd of 240 cows. They own 600 acres and rent another 500 acres. They grow wheat, oats, hay and corn. Utilizing the robots, the cows can be milked 2 to 8 times a day 24/7. He also spoke about the family cheese business that started recently. They sell four types of cheeses -Quesadilla, Farmers, Munster, Mild Brick - at local farmers markets. You can also purchase their cheese at Albrechts in Delafield and at the new Mexican store in Hartford.**

**BIRTHDAY RAFFLE: Mary Brodzeller was the lucky winner of today's birthday raffle.**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT: 15 members, 2 guests and 2 students were in attendance at today' club meeting. Ron Schlitt, Mark Smits and John Spielmann attended the meeting virtually.**

**SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT: Tom Hostad collected \$23.00 for the club. Colleen Baus paid a Happy Fine for being a new grandmother. Congratulations Colleen!**

**CHASE THE ACE OF SPADES RAFFLE: Mike Mally won a lottery ticket but did not win any extra money because he drew the Queen of Clubs.**