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Call to Order

President-Elect Linda Vogel called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests to the weekly meeting. Charles Richtmyer offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jeff Squire led the group in singing "All Hail to Rotary" to recognize the Club Assembly program for the day. We sang "Happy Birthday" to Darwin Zeigler.

Mary Riepenhoff introduced guests for the day Christina Roby and Robert Warren of the ACCA, guests of Kelly Kill and Brad Seitz, guest of Bob Leugers. There were no visiting Rotarians.

Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars were shared by Ken Strickland, Carl Dammeyer, Randy Elsass, Kraig Noble, Derek Vogel, Mike Makley and Ellen Hunter

Fines

Rick Gerdeman was finemaster and he was able to stump a number of people with questions about the Cincinnati Reds past and present.

Announcements

There will be another meeting in our meeting room right before our regular meeting next week. Please be flexible when you come in and help the Eagles' workers set up for our meeting.

We will need to elect 3 new trustees and a new vice-president for next year. Please let officers know if you are willing to serve by December.

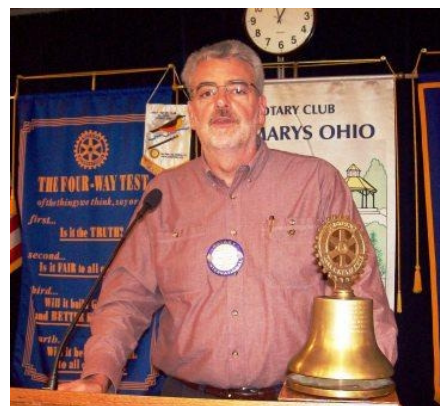
Please let Linda know if you would like to participate in the Veterans' Day Parade on November 13.

Programs

President-Elect Linda then introduced Christina Roby, director, and Robert Warren of the Auglaize County Council on Aging. Christina and Robert gave the club an update on all the services provided through the Council on Aging and asked members to support the operational levy on the November 2nd ballot. As with all agencies in the state, the ACCA is receiving less money from the state but the ACCA continues to provide more services to help our senior citizens in the county. Remember we will all need help from this agency. For some it may be right around the corner.

P.E. Linda then introduced Gary Newton, chair of the Vision-to Action Strategic Plan for the St. Marys Rotary Club. Gary explained that the Strategic Planning committee was formed in July

2009 to review what the St. Marys Rotary club is doing and plan for the future. In May, 2010, facilitator Brian Raison from the OSU Extension agency came on board to help the teams a plan. In June, 2010 the first draft of the plan was completed.



(Gary Newton "Fail to Plan/Plan to Fail")

Kevin Harlan is Project Leader of Group 1 with the goal: **To be known in the community and Rotary District for excellence in service to others.** The strategies for this group are to "Make Rotary an indispensable organization for people who want to accomplish something" and "Publicize the good work that is being accomplished"

John Wale is Project Leader of Group 2 with the goal: **To be focused on involving and growing members.** The strategies for this group are to "Involve members in service Projects" and "Help members achieve personal and professional growth."

Linda Haines is Project Leader of Group 3 with the goal: **To achieve financial stability to allow pursuit of Mission.** The strategies for this group are "Grow Membership to 100-120 members", "Communicate financial information to members", "Generate income to meet expenses", and

"Publicize the club, members and service activities"

The present plan is for the committee to continue to review and develop the strategies, ask the Board of Trustees to adopt the plan and ask the members of the club to vote to approve the strategic plan. The goal is to have the action steps in place by July 1, 2010.

Queen of Hearts:

Rick Gerdeman's ticket was selected in the drawing. He won the daily pot of \$15 but the Queen worth over \$100 stayed hidden to live for another day.



Upcoming Programs

- 10-13 Galen Cisco Award Day
- 10-20 Debate between Jim Jordan and Donald Kissick – Candidates for US Rep.
- 10-27 What's new with the New School
- 11-03 Allen Baskett, Auglaize-Mercer YMCA update

Upcoming Greeters

- 10-13 Kathy Sampson
- 10-20 Sandy Matthews
- 10-27 Marty Dodrill

**Please note: All Rotarians scheduled to greet, please be in place by 11:30 am.*

The meeting was adjourned following the recitation of the Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Say or Do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FREINDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?