

The Cog
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Call to Order

President Kimberly Rompilla called the meeting to order. Charles Richtmyer offered the prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Squire led the song "All Hail to Rotary."

There were three birthdays today: Mark Ashman, Jon Hall, and Charles Richtmyer, with the last two in attendance. Guests/visiting Rotarians included Paula Johnson of the Bluffton Rotary Club, guest of Tanya Temple and District Governor David Dayne, guest of Kimberli Rompilla.

Happy Dollars/Fines

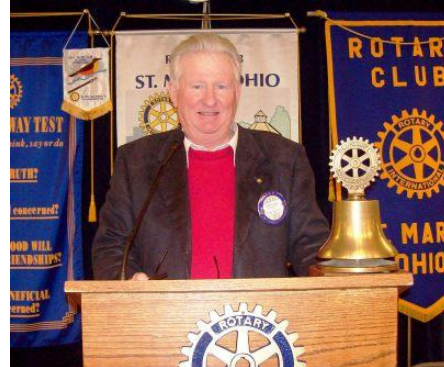
Kimberli mentioned that usually "happy dollars" and fines are not assessed on the day of the annual auction, yet she wanted some scholarship dollars, so fined everyone in the club one dollar.

Announcements

Kimberli announced that a bus will be going to the University of Dayton on Jan. 22, 2011, when our own Rotarian Mark Ashman will be inducted into the University of Dayton Hall of Fame. The cost for the bus trip is \$3.00. Those interested in attending should see Robbie Burke.

Program

Linda Vogel allowed District Governor David Dayne a few minutes to speak. He had special Rotary awards to confer on some St. Marys Rotarians who were not in attendance, so he promised to unwrap the awards when these Rotarians are in attendance. Linda then read a special poem in honor of our annual auction, and then introduced Jon Hall and Randy Elsass. Jon was the auctioneer, who along with auction committee members John Wale, Pat Cogan, Dick Hudson, and Chris Wibbenmeyer, had everything ready for the bidding. Jon noted that the minimum bid was \$300.00, and for anyone not attending, it was \$350.00, with a discount for Rotarians over age 65. Those paying today for the items on which they bid (and won) will receive a 5% discount. Also, everyone bringing a gift for bidding received a red ticket entered in advance for either 500, 250, or 150 Paul Harris points.



On the 2010 "Big Item" list were many fine gifts offered for a number of years by certain Rotarians: Rick Green's set of tires for auto, van or truck were won by Ken Strickland; Allen Baskett's YMCA membership, won by Ellen Hunter; Susan Heitkamp's Michigan cottage weekend, won by Jeff Squire; Dick Hudson's jewelry – this year an emerald-diamond ladies ring – won by Keith Fledderjohann; Kimberli Rompilla's \$400 gift certificate from Spectacular Adventures, bid for and won by Mary Riepenhoff; Jon Hall's weekend ski trip (Linda Haines); The Vossler/Dodrill/Haines/Harlan Executive Wellness checkup at JTDMMH (Ali Khokhar), Ali's Jacuzzi Suite at Holiday Inn, Celina (Allen Baskett); Ed Noble's Pheasant Hunting trip (Randy Elsass); Kraig Noble's Michigan football game package (Ed Bray); Deb Zwez's three subscriptions to the Evening Leader (Marty Dodrill, Heidi Meade, Gary Newton); Ed Raudabaugh's ski lift tickets and tubing passes at Mad River; Randy Elsass' two truckloads of firewood; Kevin Harlan's leaf blower; Mary Riepenhoff's Italian style dinner for 6-8; top shelf alcohol, cases of wine, Marathon cards, Dayton Dragons tickets; OSU items; Esther Price candies, cosmetics. Every gift helped the club, showed great Rotary spirit and helped fund the programs offered in the coming year. Auction day is always fun and memorable!

Drawings

Jeff Squire won 500 P.H. points, Heidi Meade, 250 P.H. points and Susan Heitkamp, 150 P.H. points, Dan Hosek won the Queen of Hearts drawing, but not the Queen.

Upcoming Programs

- 11/24 Thanksgiving message from Ed Bray
- 12/1 MHS Basketball coaches
- 12/8 Omni Manufacturing

Upcoming Greeters

- 11/24 Bob Burke
- 12/1 Karl Dammeyer
- 12/8 Chris Wibbenmeyer

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

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 FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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