



The Cog

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Call to Order

New Rotary President Robbie Burke called the meeting to order. Bill Maki offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Kraig Noble led us in singing "Home on the Range." Jeff Squire was the only birthday.

Guests were Amanda Sampson, guest of Kathy and Jan Heinrich, guest of Jim.

Happy Dollars

Robbie Burke, Kraig Noble, Bill Maki, Marty Dodrill, Sue Crotty, Kelly Kill, Kevin Lawler, Linda Haines, Linda Vogel, Randy Elsass, Jerry Skiver, Kathy Sampson, Jeff Squire, Don Hinckley, Sandy Gerdeman.

Fines

Rick Gerdeman was the finer today. With the recent passing of legends Andy Griffith, Ernest Borgnine and

writer/screenwriter/director Nora Ephron, Rick generated questions about Matlock, No Time for Sergeants, who is left in Mayberry NC, and a number of Nora's films. Victims included Marty Dodrill, Linda Vogel, Bill Maki, Kraig Noble, Jason Little, Dick Hudson. Ellen Hunter and Linda Haines heard questions about Silkwood, Sleepless in Seattle, and When Harry Met Sally. Alex Pittman determined that Julie and Julia was Nora's last film (with Meryl Streep) and got a credit! As a group fine, Rick charged everyone who has not gone to a movie in the last week – 50 cents!

Announcements

- Robbie let Linda Vogel announce that the Rotary hog will be sold on August 3 at 10:00 a.m. and Linda passed out raffle tickets.

- Keith Fledderjohann asked that everyone pay dues.

- Sandy Gerdeman has forms for new Rotary shirts, but she will need them back by next Monday, July 23.

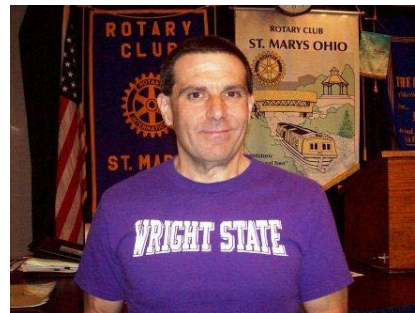
- John Wale asked Rotarians to sign up for the remaining Summerfest open spaces.

- Also, there is a benefit for Grand Lake Hospice on Sunday, July 22 (rain date July 29). With the title "Putt for the Love of Hospice", it will take place at St. Marys Miniature Golf Course (K.C. Geiger Park). There will be prizes, concessions and raffles.

Program

President-Elect Dan Burke introduced today's speaker, Wright State Lake

Campus geologist Chuck Ciampaglio. Along with his assistant Leigh Deuter, Chuck wanted to talk about his research into sharks, both ancient and modern.



Ciampaglio attended Towson University and later did his Ph. D. work at Duke University. The Discovery Channel will feature him as part of a program on August 13, 2012, entitled "Sharkzilla." Sharks are the oldest vertebrates and early fossils were discovered in Mongolia. However, the oldest complete fossil of a shark's body was discovered in Cleveland, Ohio. Sharks have changed a lot since their beginning 450 million years. Some sharks are small (8" long) and some the size of a Greyhound Bus.

The largest were the megalodon, which were 52 feet long, weighed 100,000 pounds and had multiple rows of teeth, 250 in all, that allowed this predator to feed on whales. The shark teeth are the hardest substance ever produced by a living thing. They also had denticles that protected their bodies and even eyelids.

In reproduction, some sharks lay eggs, others give birth to one or more live

young pups and still others have twin uteri and the pup in each uterus that develops first will devour the remaining young, resulting in the birth of two shark pups.

Dr. Ciampaglio has conducted digs for shark teeth and other fossils in Missouri, Iowa, Texas, Alabama, California, and other locations, always taking students along on the digs.

Queen of Hearts

President Robbie won the drawing today, but the Queen still lives.

Upcoming Programs

7/25	Dan Uhlenhake
	Ran marathons in all 50 states
8/1	Marybeth Torsell
	American Cancer Society
8/8	Cheryl Bellamy & Stephanie Hardin – Dog Park Project

Upcoming Greeters

7/25	Dan Hosek
8/1	Trisha Barnes
8/8	Tim Dicke
8/15	Sue Pittman
8/22	Ed Randabaugh
8/29	Derek Vogel

**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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