

### *The Cog*

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## Call to Order

President Robbie Burke called the meeting to order. Sue Pittman offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Kraig Noble led us in the singing of "Home on the Range." Guests today included Steve Smith and Ann Larger from the New Bremen/New Knoxville club and Randy Fisher from the Wapakoneta club.

## Happy Dollars

Linda Haines was happy that Ann Larger was our speaker today, Mike Makley for the Stubby Whetstone benefit this Sunday, Kevin Harlan for Ann as well, Sandy Gerdeman for too many good games on this weekend and for the November 8<sup>th</sup> Women in Business event, Sue Pittman for the library long range planning, Scott Ross for

being back at Rotary and for St. Marys Golf, Loraine Fischio for the Business After Hours coming up, Randy Elsass for his MSU trip, Frank Klatt for the NFL Ref lockout being over, Kelly Kill for the speakers today and Jeff Squire for going to a Reds game with Pres. Robbie and Kathy Sampson.

## Fines

Rick Gerdeman did the fining. He fined Scott Ross for being MIA, Kraig Noble for Michigan's fall from the top 25, Marv Beuhler, Rick Green, Loraine Fischio, Sue Pittman, Kraig Noble, Keith Fledderjohann, Mark Ashman and Kelly Kill for missing trivia questions. He group-fined everyone who has not been club president.

## Announcements

**Next week is the debate. Lunch starts at 11:30 and the bell rings at noon.** Be here early.

Pres. Robbie read a note from our Facebook page where the ladder truck we sent to Mexico has been named after Frank C. Murray.

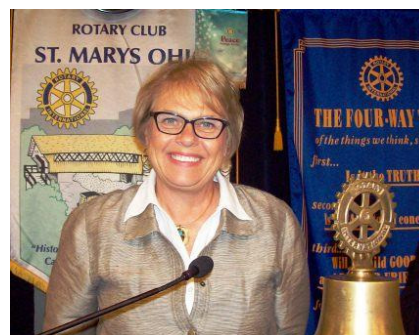
The Halloween Parade is October 23. Be in the parking lot at 5:00 for 5:30 judging and 6:00 step off. See Joe or Dan Burke for assignments.

November 3 is a Rotary Leadership Institute in Findlay. See Robbie Burke if interested in learning more about Rotary.

October 20 we will be mulching the Historic Walking trail. Details to come.

## Program

AG Gary Newton introduced Ann Larger and Randy Fisher as today's program. Randy is the Executive Director for the United Way of Auglaize County. Ann Larger is chairing the 2012 campaign. Ann is the Coordinator for Community Outreach at JTDMH. Originally from Minster, Ann talked about seeing her first movie in St. Marys and ice cream at Neely's.



The United Way and its partner agencies serve all of Auglaize County. Although some don't like to admit it, we have abject poverty right here in Auglaize County. United Way provides crucial funding for many partner agencies in Auglaize County that provide very basic services to the poor, including Agape, Mercy Unlimited, and the Crisis Center.

It also helps fund organizations that benefit our youth, such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and We Care. It also helps fund health and senior service organizations like Red Cross, Visiting Nurses and the Council on Aging.

Ann introduced a video produced for the United Way of Auglaize County that showed some partner agencies and many of the employers and groups that help support the United Way. Randy took some questions from the audience.

## Queen of Hearts

Sandy Gerdeman won the daily drawing but the Queen lives.

## Upcoming Programs

- 10/10 Tony Burkley/ Pete Schlegel Debate
- 10/17 Galen Cisco Award Program
- 10/24 Rep. Jim Jordan
- 10/31 Rick Green – Rotary Foundation Program

## Upcoming Greeters

- 10/3 Alex Pittman
- 10/10 Jason Little
- 10/17 Paige Canfield
- 10/24 Kraig Noble
- 10/31 Gary Newton

*\*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?