



The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503
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Call to Order

President Robbie Burke called the meeting to order. Allen Baskett offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Squire led us in song today, "Rotary My Rotary," always a crowd favorite. Guests included Rita Dougherty and Kristy Miller from Sister Cities, Travis Elsass, guest of Randy Elsass, Steve Smith from the NK/NB Club and Hodge Drake guest of Robbie Burke. We sang "Happy Birthday" to Ellen Hunter Adams.

Happy Dollars

Robbie Burke, Linda Haines, Frank Klatt, Tami Sanford, Don Hudson, Keith Fledderjohann, Ellen Hunter, Kraig Noble, Jim Heinrich, and Rick Gerdeman all had Happy Dollars today.

Fines

Rick Gerdeman (*Aka James Bond*) was our *Finer* today. His victims included Linda Vogel, Gary Newton, Kraig Noble, Tami Sanford, Kent Strickland, John Wale, Joe Burke, Mick Temen, Marty Dodrill, Sue

Pittman, Ron Gorby, Trisha Barnes, and anyone who's last name is not "Bond"....

Announcements

- Robbie Burke announced that next week's meeting will begin at 12:05 and will include the installation of our new officers.



- Hodge Drake was presented with a check for Otterbein St Marys.



- Rita Daugherty and Kristy Miller were presented with a check for our Sister City Program.



- Linda Haines was presented with a check for the Grand lake Health Systems ASU Unit.
- Rotary will be teaming up with Kiwanis for Summerfest Food Tent. A sign-up sheet is going around today. Volunteers are needed.
- The St Marys Summer Concert Series begins this Sunday at 7:00 pm.

Program

Dan Burke introduced our program for today, St Marys City Parks Department Superintendent Tim Boehmer. Tim oversees the operations, upkeep and maintenance of the St Marys Parks system. Tim is a graduate of Memorial High School. Following high school he enlisted in the Army. Tim earned his degree in Forestry, is a certified Arborist, and is licensed to apply appropriate spraying treatments to control weeds and other unwanted plant life.



The City of St. Marys maintains 11 City Parks which include: K.C. Geiger, Memorial, Red Kuck's Kiwanis Cove, Larkin/Jace Howard Memorial Basketball Court, West Oaks, Kiwanis, Armstrong, Rotary/Al Cook Memorial Basketball Court, Williams-Edwards, Rolling Hills and Heritage.



The City of St Marys Parks Maintenance Superintendent performs a wide variety of functions related to

the general overall maintenance of all City parks and recreational areas. He also performs functions related to the care and maintenance of trees and shrubs, including pruning, planting, removal, and evaluation.

Tim also presents education programs on trees, parks, and landscaping topics; coordinates the memorial tree program; and is available to answer questions regarding our city's trees and parks.

The City's Tree Trimmer and Tree Trimmer Helper report to the Parks Maintenance Superintendent. In addition, several seasonal employees are hired each year to assist with upkeep of the parks and also work at the miniature golf course.

Queen of Hearts

Tami Sanford won the drawing, but alas... no Queen today.

Upcoming Programs

- 7-3 Hotel/Motel Flipping
- 7-10 Club Assembly

Upcoming Greeters

- 7-3 Open
- *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