



*The Cog*

**Rotary Club No. 3503**

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**August 7, 2013**

### **Call to Order**

President Dan Burke called the meeting to order. Sue Pittman offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Squire led the singing of "All Hail to Rotary". There were no birthdays. Randy Fisher from the Wapak club and Kurt Meyer from the Sidney club were our guests.

### **Happy Dollars**

Pres. Dan was happy that RJ Burke was scheduled to be home from the hospital soon, Frank Klatt for his wife's knee replacement, Keith Fledderjohann for his daughter's first place at the Fair, Ellen Hunter for her new mother's ring from Hudson's, Marty Dodrill for the Dublin Irish Festival, Sue Pittman for the Friends of the Library book sale and Artfest, Sandy Gerdeman for the new puppy and for

Women in Business meeting, and Mark Ashman for his new baby girl.

### **Fines**

The fines today were "Gone with the Wind" trivia. Wrong answers included Rick Green, Sue Pittman, Kraig Noble, Travis Elsass, Mike Makley, Jeff Squire, Don Hinckley, Frank Klatt, Trisha Barnes, Ken Strickland, Linda Haines, Dan Burke, and Randy Elsass, who all paid. Correct answers were given by Mark Ashman and Marty Dodrill, who got the easy questions.

### **Announcements**

Sandy announced that the shirts were in and she does have a few extra. See her about getting them for the Summerfest this weekend.

Dan thanked Trisha for buying our hog at the fair, although it appears that her son thought they would keep it as a pet...

MESA and REI are doing a mission to Belize. If you are interested in helping, see Dan.

Supper and Sounds in the Park is this Thursday, with entertainment sponsored by our club.

GSE applications for members and a leader are due. The exchange will be with Australia, traveling in March of 2014.

### **Program**

PE Randy Elsass introduced our own Linda Haines, to talk about

JTDMH Ambulatory Surgery Center. Linda has been in the hospital system for 34 year. She started as a nurse and expected to stay there but got into supervision, home health, hospice and now working with the hospital's foundation.



The Ambulatory Surgery Center is being developed at JTDMH and the foundation was tasked to raise one to two million dollars towards it's expected four million dollar cost. Linda's predecessor at the foundation raised about \$1.26 million, and the center is in the process of being constructed now. Our Rotary Club help make the new center a reality with our own donation.

JTDMH is patient and family oriented, offering services from birthing to hospice and everything in between. The hospital has received many awards and recognitions for excellence, and the new center will help improve patient care and recovery time.

Linda discussed the old outpatient surgery space at the hospital. In 2012, 40% of the hospital's revenue came from surgical procedures. They performed over 3500 procedures and the hospital needed to update the

equipment and facilities to modernize the process and make it more efficient and easier on the patient and families.

The hospital is renovating existing space, creating 8 additional post-surgical recovery beds with enhanced privacy and more efficient work flow. There will be one more endoscopy bay added, which will greatly increase the times available for the procedures.

Linda showed slides of the old space and slides of some of the renovated patient rooms.

### **Queen of Hearts/Hog Raffle**

Jeff Squire won the daily drawing but the Queen lives. We also drew for the annual hog raffle, with went to Mick Teman and the St. Marys Living Center.

### **Upcoming Programs**

- 8-14 New Teachers
- 8-21 DG Joe Ludwig
- 8-28 Rachel Barber, Auglaize County Historical Society

### **Upcoming Greeters**

- 8-14 Paige Canfeild
- 8-21 Ken Strickland
- 8-28 Karl Dammeyer

*\*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.