



### *The Cog*

Rotary Club No. 3503

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### 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 in the singing of "All Hail to Rotary". There were no birthdays. Our guests included Jan Heinrich.

### Happy Dollars

Dan Burke was happy to get his cast off and for the Halloween Parade, Tami Sanford for fun at Beer Barrel after the parade, Don Hinckley for the bucks and for Beth Noneman and Travis Elsass setting up for the parade, Kathy Sampson for Kraig Noble marching with the "Ugliest" sign again, Mike Makley for a new grandson, Robbie Burke for the parade and Beer Barrel fellowship, Sandy Gerdeman for the Women in Business Conference scheduled for

November 14<sup>th</sup> (see her for registration), and Rick Gerdeman for the Browns signing former Appalachian State QB.

### Fines

Marty Dodrill did the fining. He did Jim Heinrich trivia in honor of Jim's article in the Rotarian Magazine. Kraig, Don, Rick Gerdeman, Pat Cogan, John Hall, and Ron Gorby all were fined for incorrect answers. He group fined anyone who had not read the article.

### Announcements

Pres, Dan thanked Joe Burke and his committee for a well-organized parade.

In the spirit of cooperation and conciliation Dan announced the Kiwanis Pancake Day this Saturday.

### Program

Pres. Dan introduced Kathy Sampson to introduce today's speaker. Janssen Lemley. Janssen is an Executive Director with the Boy Scouts of American in the Black Swamp Area council. He is an Eagle Scout himself from Celina and has received many awards from his activities in Scouting. He called out Kraig as someone who helped him achieve a merit badge while working toward his Eagle Scout.

Auglaize and Mercer Counties make up the Old Sycamore District. This year they have directly served 1043 youths in the community,

including some females in the Venture Crews. They are on pace to have 29 Eagle Scouts in 2013.

One of the highlights of any Scouting experience is summer camp. There are two council camps in the area, being Camp Berry in Findlay and Camp Lakota in Defiance. This year 185 area scouts participated in week long scouting experiences at camp. Camp Lakota has grown a lot since 2002 with the addition of water slides, kayaks, and a tech center and they are currently raising money for a new dining hall. Camp Berry is planning to build a new shooting range.



Janssen stressed that scouting is not just for the boys, but is truly a family commitment. Parents are expected to participate and help with the development of scouts. Scouting is a way to teach things to today's youths without them realizing it. The program builds strong citizens. Janssen began scouting in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and enjoys bringing the experience to today's children.

Scouts rely on volunteer leadership and have 41 district level volunteers who help plan and run over

24 programs and events in our district. Janssen mentioned Dick Hudson's son in law Erik Mauter who his leading a cub scout pack. Our district has 16 Cub Scout packs and 17 Boy Scout Troops currently.

### Queen of Hearts

Jeff Squire won the daily drawing but the Queen lives.

### Upcoming Programs

- 11-6 Vince Koza and the Columbus Blue Jackets
- 11-13 Veteran's Day Program
- 11-20 Thanksgiving program with Elizabeth Sampson

### Upcoming Greeters

- 11-6 Sue Pittman
- 11-13 Mick Teman
- 11-20 Rick Green

*\*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?