



The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503
P. O. Box 544
St. Marys, OH 45885
www.stmarysrotary.org
January 15, 2014

Call to Order

President Dan Burke called the meeting to order. Susan Pittman offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Rita Hilty introduced Ron Meyer, guest of Kathy Sampson, and Alyssa Blackburn, guest of Jeff Squire. We also welcomed visiting Rotarians Brent Dawson and Nicole Bowen from Wapakoneta. Jeff S. led us in a rousing rendition of "Rotary, My Rotary."

Happy Dollars

President Dan was happy that the temperatures are more seasonal; Linda Haines for JTDMMH winning Business of the Year and she also told us that Kimberli is recovering from surgery and says "hi"; Kathy S. was happy for daughter Elizabeth doing better now; Don H. for getting back to Rotary and for the emergency trip to Columbus turning out

ok; Robbie for new Builder of Bridges inductees; Susan P. for the library winning Non-Profit of the Year; Lorraine for winning the Queen last week; Mike Makely for winning Builder of Bridges; Dan Hosek for Tim Dicke becoming Chamber President, for participating in the banquet, and for AAP hiring again; Ellen for getting paid by Medicaid now; Alex Pittman for the Lakers game; and Marty for the Blue Jackets game he attended. Many Rotarians expressed their happiness for Elizabeth Sampson's apparent good response to her emergency treatment, enabling her to go back to school over the weekend.

Fines

Marty Dodrill mercilessly handed out fines today, but anyone who played basketball at Memorial High School was exempt. Marty picked on the ladies, stumping Robbie, Kathy, and Ellen with basketball and hockey trivia. All fines were levied on anyone who hasn't been to a Blue Jackets or Memorial High School basketball game.

Announcements

- The club will be getting together again for pizza before a WSU-Lake Campus basketball game coached by our own fellow Rotarian Mark Ashman. The party begins at the YMCA by Lake Campus at 6:30 pm on January 22nd. The game starts at 7:30 pm.

- Dues are due! Please pay the amount on your invoice.

- Nicole from the Wapakoneta club invited everyone to attend their club's 4th Annual Wine & Dine event on Feb. 15 at the Grand Plaza. Corporate sponsor tables of 8 are available, and there will also be an auction and silent auction.

- Lorraine was presented her check for the Queen drawing.

Program

PE Randy introduced our speakers Kelly Fulmer, Memorial High Girls' Basketball Coach, and Dan Hegemier, Memorial High Boys' Basketball Coach. Kelly started by saying it's been a tough year for the girls, but they are working hard on improving their skills. She said the players this year didn't have the benefit of getting much exposure to playing in the Little Riders. However, some of the sophomores signed up with Little Riders when Kelly started here and they are coming along. 84 young girls are now signed up in the Little Rider league. They show a lot of promise which will be helpful in the future.



The high school girls won a couple of games over the break which is encouraging. They play Celina next week and hope to win.

Dan said the boys have played 11 games this year and played well in 8 of those games. He is happy that these players really want to play, but the team just lacks size this year. They have a tough road ahead – the Western Buckeye League has very tough teams and

scholarship candidates this year. The MAC also has scholarship caliber players with a lot of height. The St. Marys boys' skill level is a lot better, but they just need size. The Little Rider program is doing well, and the 8th grade hasn't been beat. The high school boys are still battling for .500 this year. Rotarian Ron Gorby congratulated Dan on his recent 500th career victory. Dan encourages Rotarians to get out and support our teams and come see a game!

Queen of Hearts

President Dan won the drawing but the Queen lives...

Upcoming Programs

- 1-22 Mayor Pat McGowan – State of the City
- 1-29 Tim Eiting – Antique Toys
- 2-5 Student Day, Speaker TBA
- 2-19 Jim Jordan

Upcoming Greeters

- 1-22 Bob Leugers
- 1-29 Jeff Squire

**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?