



# The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503

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## Call to Order

President Dan Burke called the meeting to order. Kathy Sampson offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Kraig Noble led in the singing of both verses of "Viva la Rotary". We sang "Happy Birthday" to Ellen Hunter Adams. Our guests included Rob Spees, guest of Sandy Gerdeman.

## Happy Dollars

Dan Burke was happy that this was his last meeting and he thanked us for a great year. Robbie Burke was happy for her achievement award from the annual banquet, Sandy Gerdeman for her guest today, Marty Dodrill for a great World Cup (Go USA), Frank Klatt because he lived in the same city as our income

RI President, Linda Haines for her daughter's wedding (she also had \$5 from Kevin and Doris Lawler who say hello), and Ellen Hunter Adams for Rob being with us today.

## Fines

Ellen did last minute fines that were all about her. She ended up fining Dan Hosek, Kraig Noble, Tim Dicke, Rick Green, Travis Elsass, Jeff Squire, Mike Makley, John Hall and Kevin Harlan all missed the Ellen factoid, but Bob Leugers, Kathy Sampson, Marty Dodrill and Ken Strickland knew about Ellen enough to avoid a fine. Ellen then fined the Sergeant at Arms Committee since the clock was still wrong.

## Announcements

Jeff Squire announced that the upcoming Rotary Summer Concert Series concert would be the new St. Marys Area Community Band at the Gazebo in Memorial Park at 7:00 on Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Program

Pres. Dan introduces PE Randy as our incoming President. Randy reported that that our board approved the final committee list and Randy's budget for Rotary Year 2014-2015. The board also waived the attendance requirement for members for the previous year. Randy thanked Dan for his year as President and thanked outgoing board members Mick Teman, Marty Dodrill and Mark Ashman.

Randy announced his club theme this year of "Together We Can". He

passed out a sheet of some goals, some ambitions, and some thoughts for this upcoming year. He wants to focus on membership and wants a 15% increase in membership but the end of his Rotary year. He announced a Rotary Awareness project for July 18<sup>th</sup> with the Lima Locos, where our club and other area clubs will host Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the Crippled Children as a Rotary Day celebration.

Randy's other initiatives include increasing signage and benches at the Rotary Nature Trail, restarting Rotaract at WSULC, Funding the I-Read Program for the Middle School, reviving the RMMP with a multiyear water grant for the Tarahumara, and publicizing the club with a stronger Facebook and social media presence.

Randy also hopes to rejuvenate the 4 Way Speech Contest in St. Marys and to continue with new projects like Prom Promenade and old ones like the Halloween Parade, which is October 28. There will be no meetings this year on December 24<sup>th</sup> or on December 31<sup>st</sup> due to the holidays.



DGN Gary Newton swore in or new officers and board members. The new club leadership is listed on the new Cog paper, along with the new

committee assignments. Randy presented Dan Burke with the Past Presidents Plaque as a small token of our appreciation for the work that he did during Rotary Year 2013-2014.



## Queen of Hearts

Pat Cogan won the daily drawing but the Queen lives.

## Upcoming Programs

7-2 Grand Lake Restoration with Milt Miller

## Upcoming Greeters

7-2 Alisher Khudaykulov

*\*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, and Do.

