



The Cog

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Call to Order

President Kathy Sampson opened the meeting and Rita Hilty offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Guests/Song/Birthdays

Visiting Rotarians:

- Jim Mason – Lima Club
- Gary Levitt – Delphos Club

Guests:

- Jan Heinrich - Guest of Jim

Doing double duty today, Rita also led us in singing “Home On The Range”

Happy Dollars

We had quite a few Happy Rotarians today. They included Gary Newton, Travis Elsass, Ellen Hunter, Dan Hosek, Sue Pittman, Don Hinkley, Gary Levitt, Tammy Sanford, Rita Hilty, and Beth Noneman.

Fines

Travis Elsass handled our fines today. His targets today were Gary Newton, Randy Elsass, Ellen Hunter, Kathy Sampson, and Susan Crotty.

Announcements

Kathy reminded everyone to check the Cog for your 2015-2016 committee assignments. Contact Kathy if you have any real issues.

Jim Heinrich shared some Rotary District 6600 news and updates. He noted that our district is currently well below where we normally have been on funds raised. We obviously have much work to do.

Kathy noted that the club had received a resignation notice from Kristen Powell as she is relocating from our area and will be unable to continue her club membership.

Kathy thanked Dan and Rich for their efforts getting the computer set up today for our presenter. She also thanked Jeff, Dan, Ellen, and Don for their help and support as she begins her reign as President of the St Marys Rotary Club.

Kathy reminded everyone that Dues are due...and the St Marys Concert Series has another event this coming Sunday.

Program

VP Ellen introduced our speaker for today. Bev Hurlburt is a pastor, Author, Community Volunteer, Public Speaker, and along with her husband, started the Resource & Opportunity Center (“The ROC”) in St Marys.

The ROC (Resource and Opportunity Center) is a place for hope. Hope for individuals and families to be free from poverty and dependence on government and outside assistance. Their goal is to look at the entire picture of one's life and

address all issues individually and as a whole, in order to put together a plan of action for him/her to take. The individual will ultimately be in charge of his/her success and the necessary steps to get there with us offering encouragement and support each step of the way.

Each person who contacts The ROC will be met by a caring and compassionate person who desires to help but not enable, and will look at his/her life circumstance, without judgement.



The ROC is a hope-based center guiding individuals and families to available resources and opportunities. Working cooperatively to establish a solid plan of action so they may ultimately be the sole contributor to their own success.

Bev shared a brief testimonial from one of their clients who shared his struggles, setbacks, and ultimately, with the help of the center, his successes and his growth to independence. Through the application of its four basic goals...

To **ENCOURAGE** financial self-sufficiency through job development and financial coaching.

To **ASSIST** in utilizing available resources for temporary relief while striving for future independence.

To **GATHER** together to promote healing and to celebrate hope!

To **BUILD** Christian communities working together for the benefit of all people.

Bev noted that they are currently housing just men in their transitional house, housing 3 to 4 men at a time for up to 18 months, but as funds for another transitional unit become available, they want to be able to reach out to women as well.

Queen of Hearts

Beth Noneman got to draw for the Queen, but alas...No Queen for Beth.

Upcoming Programs

- 7-15 Bev Poppe/Lock One Theater
- 7-22 Kyle Dammeyer/waterskiing
- 7-29 Jim Dicke II/Crown

Upcoming Greeters

- 7-15 Allen Baskett
- 7-22 Trisha Barnes
- 7-29 Dan Burke

** Please note: All Rotarians scheduled to greet, please be in place by 11:30 a.m.*

The meeting was adjourned after recitation of the “Four Way Test”.

