



The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503
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Call to Order

President Kathy Sampson opened the meeting and Bill Maki offered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests/Song/Birthdays

Our guests today included Jan Heinrich (guest of Jim), Rob Bechtel (guest of Rick Green), Bill Martin and Dorothy Krites (guests of Ellen Hunter), and Ann Hudson (guest of Dick Hudson).

Jeff Squire led us in singing "Take Me Out to The Ball Game", and "Happy Birthday" to Allen Baskett.

Happy Dollars

We had several Happy Rotarians today...they included Bill Maki, Julie Kraner, Dick Hudson, Jeff Squire, Dan Hosek, Rick Green, and Jim Heinrich.

Fines

Bill Maki levied the fines today on all those who failed his Thanksgiving theme quiz. Those who failed the quiz included Dan Hosek, Pat Cogan, Mark Ashman, Allen Baskett, and Beth Noneman. He also fined anyone who thought OSA was going to win their game with Michigan State and anyone who's team isn't in the top 5 in the nation in 2 sports this year.

Announcements

- President Kathy reminded everyone to register for the District Conference set for April 29-May 1, 2016. Go to the district website to register.
- Dues are Due!
- Don't forget to register your Kroger Card to benefit St Marys Rotary Club.
- The Rotary Kids Christmas Party is set for December 15th from 6:00pm – 7:30pm.
- Club members passed the hat in memory of Bob Burke who passed last week. Monies collected will go to the St Marys Foundation.

Program

Ellen introduced our speaker Dru Martin, who was accompanied today by her husband Bill and

mother Dorothy Krites. Dru shared with us today, her more than 12 year journey dealing with and living with Cancer.



Dru shared stories from her first devastating diagnosis of Hodgkin's Lymphoma Stage III, her treatment and eventual remission.



Then she was diagnosed with a very rare form of cancer called Angiosarcoma, a cancer of the inner lining of blood vessels, it can occur in any area of the body. Her prognosis was only 8 months...That was 12 years ago.

Through chemo-therapy, various surgeries, countless radiation treatments, and other

medications, Dru has always tried to remain positive. She thanked her family for their support, especially her husband Bill who has been at her side throughout it all.

Dru continues her battle and in sharing her story today, made us all aware of just how precious every life is, and how we need to cherish and appreciate family and friends.

This disease has helped her focus on what is important in life, and has enabled her to help others along the way.

Queen of Hearts

Jim Heinrich won daily drawing but alas...he could not find the Queen.

Upcoming Programs

12/2/15 Marsha Fleagle

Upcoming Greeters

12/2/15 Chris Honefanger
 12/9/15 Dan Hosek
 12/16/15 Dick Hudson
 12/23/15 NO MEETING
 12'30/15 NO MEETING

** 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".

