



## THE COG

Rotary Club No. 3503

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### Call to Order

President Ellen Hunter opened the meeting and Bill Maki offered the invocation. The Club then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Guests / Song / Birthdays

Guests included Charles Richtmyer (Alex Pittman), John Bernstein (Kathy Sampson), Christine Kerzee (Julie Kraner) and Jan Heinrich (wife of Jim).

Jeff Squire led the singing of "All Hail to Rotary" and "Happy Birthday" to several Rotarians celebrating birthdays this week.

### Happy Dollars / Fines

Dan Hosek for "Paint for Polio" event (12/2/16), Don Hinckley for the Riders and Bucks, Bill Maki for Charles rejoining club, and John Bernstein speaking, Kraig Noble for Christine Kerzee, Alisher

Khudaykulov for a chance at the Queen, Linda Haines for Ellen's Happy Birthday singing, Julie Kraner for Christine Kerzee and 98.5% completion of her move, Alex Pittman for Charles rejoining the club, Jeff Squire for Gears and Cheers at Moeller BB and scheduling one at Tailspins, Randy Elsass for Minster's playoff game.

Randy Elsass fined Alex Pittman, Beth Noneman, Kathy Bayless, Kevin Wolfe, Robbie Burke, and Mark Ashman for incorrect trivia answers. Renee Homan, Larry Hammond, Wes Prostman, and Bill Maki answered their trivia questions correctly. Randy handed out group fines for a huge list of reasons so everyone had a max fine of \$2.

### Announcements / Presentations



- President Ellen announced "Paint for Polio"--6:30 pm, Fri, 12/2/16
- President Ellen thanked everyone that assisted with Gears and Cheers at Moeller Brew Barn. Ellen also read thank you notes from Auglaize County Crisis Center and Rotary Veterans John Coe and Pat Cogan.
- Dan Burke officiated installation of new member Charles Ritchmyer sponsored by Alex Pittman.

- John Bernstein did a short presentation about the Salvation Army and the need for volunteer bell ringers for the holiday season.



John is asking Rotarians to sign up to ring the bell at K-Mart or JC Penneys and passed a sign-up sheet around. You can also contact John at 419-953-6069 or [johnbern45@hotmail.com](mailto:johnbern45@hotmail.com).

### Program

Jeff Squire spoke today about the Rotary Foundation, the history of the Rotary Foundation and reminded members that it is the Centennial Year. Rotary encourages members to donate a minimum of \$100 each year. Jeff explained the Rotary Foundation's recognition program which includes the Paul Harris award and our club currently has 159 Paul Harris fellows and 9+ major donors. Jeff also recognized Jim Heinrich as an Arch Klumph member. Jeff reminded each of us that donations can be made today or an auto deduction can be done from a credit card each year. He reminded members that each of us can go to [rotary.org](http://rotary.org) and learn more about Rotary Foundation and create our own online account.

Jim Heinrich also spoke briefly about the RF global grants and the

areas of focus. Jim spoke about the 10 rural wells that are being placed to help prevent chronic kidney disease. The \$178,000 project is funded by the club district (\$47,500), DDF credits (\$47,500), RF \$77,000 and our club will be donating \$10,000 (\$2,500 of this will come from the Frank Murray Fund). Jim explained that will leave \$2,500 in the Frank Murray fund to disperse to other programs.



### Queen of Hearts

Jeff Squire drew for the Queen, but she was not found.

### Upcoming Programs

- 11/23/16 Deacon Marty Brown
- 11/30/16 MHS Basketball Coaches
- 12/7/16 Lori Martensen, Wright State Rural Health Initiative
- 12/14/16 MHS Glitter and Gold
- 12/21/16 Christmas Party

### Upcoming Greeters

- 11/23/16 Rita Hilty
- 11/30/16 Rebecca Regnet
- 12/7/16 Bev Wilker
- 12/14/16 Dan Hosek

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

