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Rotary Club No. 3503

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### Call to Order

President Ellen Hunter opened the meeting and Kevin Lawler gave the invocation. The Club then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Guests / Song / Birthdays

Dr. Stephen Boehmfeldt guest of Kevin Lawler, Bev Hurlburt guest of Ellen Hunter, Rick Buehler guest of Ron Gorby and Jan Heinrich guest of Jim.

Jeff Squire led the singing of "Wait till the sun shines Nellie"; and then sang Happy Birthday Dear Rotarians for Kathy Sampson, Bob Leugers and Mike Makley.

### Happy Dollars / Fines

President Ellen was happy about her husband's surgery consultation, her new ring and her husband's belching pen, Dan Burke was happy to be back from being sick and the

new member orientation, Robbie Burke was happy to have lunch with Susan Crotty & Kathy Sampson at Lima Rotary meeting, Kevin Lawler was happy that Dr. Boehmfeldt joined him today and the excuse he got his wife for V-day, Travis Elsass for the District conference, Don Hinckley was happy about St. Marys basketball and a new baby granddaughter, Beth Noneman encouraged everyone to bring shoes to the Y, and Kraig Noble was happy about the chance for the queen and skiing with his son.

Randy Elsass started the fines off by auctioning an old deck of Rotary cards and Pres. Ellen paid \$25 for them. Randy fined Ron Gorby, Kathy Bayless, Kevin Lawler, Alex & Sue Pittman, Jake Sutton, Renee Homan, Rita Hilty, Julie Kraner, Travis Elsass, and everyone else through group fines.

### Announcements / Presentations

- Pres. Ellen read thank you's for the V-day's Random Acts of Kindness, reminded everyone to contact Kimberly Glass if you wanted to donate to the PTO Spring Fling.
- Pres. Ellen announced the MESA project and the need for donations of used medical equipment & supplies.
- Pres. Ellen then presented Bev Hurlburt from the ROC \$100 for the luminaries.



### Program

Today's program was presented by Stacy Perkins from the Boy Scouts. Stacy Perkins is the District Executive for the Findlay office where she has served for the past year.



Stacy's background includes being a den leader for many years whiles she was a stay at home mom as well as being a teacher and principal prior to that.

Stacy started with the Old Sycamore District a year ago and covers Auglaize, Mercer and Van Wert Counties which includes 40 units comprised of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing Scouts.

Stacy explained that Cub Scouts includes grades 1 -5 and provides kids with opportunities like Lock Ins, Pinewood Derby, Space Adventure, Day Camps, and Scouting for Food (which is coming up on March 4<sup>th</sup>).

Boy Scouts is for the boys in 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades and Stacy currently has 27 Eagles scouts in her district. Boy Scouts have campouts, do community service projects, swamp romps, earn merit badges and learn life skills.

The last area is the venture scouts and Stacy explained that this is the co-ed group for ages 14-21 and it focuses on high adventure activities like zip lining, white water rafting, etc. This group doesn't have a uniform, it is co-ed

and doesn't require as much time as boy scouts since they do not have merit badges.

Stacy then explained the new Lions Program which is for kindergarten aged boys and this is the first year for our district.

Upon Stacy's explanation of the programs, she encouraged Rotarians to attend their upcoming Murder Mystery Dinner fundraiser. The murder mystery dinner will be on March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Wapak K of C Hall and it is \$30 per person. Stacy then reminded Rotarians of the "Friends of the Scouting" fund drive where they raise money that will directly come back to our community. Upon completion of her presentation Pres. Ellen gave Stacy a \$300 donation to the boy scouts on behalf of the St. Marys Rotary.

### Queen of Hearts

Renee Homan got to draw for the Queen, but she was not found.

### Upcoming Programs

- 2/22/17 Dan Burke, Memorial H.S. Sports Complex
- 3/1/17 Jake Meinerding, new City water treatment plant
- 3/8/17 Morgan Paul, St. Marys Community Public Library
- 3/15/17 Don Kemp, Ethanol Plant

### Upcoming Greeters

- 2/22/17 Mike Makley
- 3/1/17 Gayle Masonbrink
- 3/8/17 Kraig Noble
- 3/15/17 Alex Pittman

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

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

