

THE COG

P. O. Box 544, St. Marys, OH 45885. www.stmarysrotary.org April 25, 2018

Call to Order

President Jeff Squire opened the meeting and Rita Hilty offered the invocation.

We had a large number of guests for Administrative Professionals Day. Hosts included Tami Sanford, Keith Fledderjohann, Dan & Robbie Burke, Kraig Noble, Jeff Squire & Zach Ferrall, Rita Hilty, Rev. Bill Maki, Pat Cogan, Jeff Vossler & Linda Haines, Kathy Sampson, Julie Kraner, and Kathy Bayless. Beth Noneman also hosted Ron & Cindy Pyles--parents of Sarah Kelsey, today's speaker.

Zach Ferrall led the singing of "I'm Looking Over a Four-Leaf Clover". No birthdays today.

Happy Dollars

Many of the happy dollars were offered by hosts of today's guests. Linda Haines thanked participants in the Hospital Gala for Hospice: Rita Hilty announced the first annual boat show at Otterbein (May 5-6); and Jeff Vossler was happy to return for meeting and for Lake Improvement Association. Alisher K gave \$20 for finding the Oueen last week: Travis Elsass for golf season: Ellen Hunter for the Hospital Gala, Victor House collection, and hearing screenings; Tami Sanford for end of tax season and twin grandsons; Kim Ray for end of tax season.

Announcements

 Thanks to Linda Vogel and her Committee for a great program for Administrative Professionals Day



- Emily Post announced as speaker for Gears & Cheers on 4/26/18
- Thanks to Kraig Noble who gave great talk on Club history
- Family of Rotary fishing day at Wes Protsman's house on May 5—all are welcome to sign up—no fishing license needed that day
- Paint for Polio event at Eagles-May 11, 6-8:00 PM--\$45 for wine

- and painting lessons; last event was a great time
- Sarah Kelsey, today's speaker offered earrings for auction; Bev Wilker was the highest bidder (proceeds to scholarship fund)

Program

Sarah Kelsey brought today's program featured that Rhinestone Lipgloss. business, Sarah grew up in Wapak and currently lives in St. Marys. Her experience includes years of participating in horse shows. She made her first pair of earrings to go with her show costume. This generated interest among other show contestants and her business grew from there.



With a degree in Mandarin language and a career in translation, the decision to start a jewelry design business was not an easy one for Sarah. However, her husband--a horse dentist with a global practice--encouraged her to go for it. After her first sale in 2014, she secured more orders largely through word-of-mouth and her FaceBook page. She's also been able to meet many new people and access a wider network of potential

customers while traveling with her husband.

Using only the finest Swarovski lead-cut crystal from Austria for her jewelry, she has designed pieces for Rodeo queens, Miss America, prominent celebrities, and other individuals from 13 different countries. Although she has arranged for distribution of her jewelry through Brides & Beyond, there are no other retail sales. Most of her hand-made designs can be completed in ~48-50 hours-except for one of the most unusual creations... a motorcycle helmet covered with crystals.

She credits her success to referrals from past customers, her husband's encouragement, and her mother who helps make the jewelry and keep the 'books'.

Queen of Hearts

Kathy Sampson's ticket was picked, but she found no Queen.

Upcoming Programs

5/2 Marissa Lewis (Glitter & Gold) 5/9 Alyssa Putman (JTDMH Clear Passage Program Director)

Upcoming Greeters

5/2 Gayle Masonbrink

5/9 Larry Hammond

5/16 Mike Burkholder

5/23 Dick Hudson

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

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

