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Rotary Club No. 3503

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Call to Order

President Zach Ferrall called the meeting to order, and Charles Richtmyer offered the invocation.

Guests included our space camper, Sophie James and her parents Gary and Leslie, Rotarians Liz Muether (Celina), and NB/NK members Keith May, Steve Hartwig, and our gracious auctioneer, Tim Eiting. We also had Steve Hunter (Ellen), Brooke Gray (Bev Wilker), Jon Kraner and Chris Thompson (Bev Wilker), and April Elsass (Travis).

Song Leader Rita Hilty led "Battle Hymn of the Republic". Rob Bechtel's birthday was announced.

Happy Dollars

Ellen Hunter was happy for Liz Muether, her dad, and for a new adopted dog. Dan Hoseck announced his 5th grandchild. Travis was happy to have April here, and that nobody got ejected from the candidate debate. Lori Martenson plugged the Library fundraiser, Rita Hilty was happy for a turnout of 27 at the blood drive at Otterbein, and Randy Elsass was happy for over 200 at the debate. Charles Richtmyer was also happy.

Fines

Finemaster Randy Elsass fined folks who were late, those who did not attend a debate, and those who did not moderate a debate.

Announcements

- Save the date of 3/23 for the NB/NK Rotary auction
- Grants have been approved for the library dyslexia pen, and for the new and refurbished nature paths at the Beaver Creek and Prairie Creek treatment trains
- Ed Pearce (former member) took a few minutes to inform us about Issue 1 and the reasons to vote against it from the perspective of the County Prosecutor, judges, law enforcement and the community at large



Program

Sophie James explained her experiences at Space Camp at the UD Campus and Wright Patterson, thanking the club for our sponsorship. Some of the highlights included: training in water rescue, touring a C17 at the Air Force museum, rock climbing, flying simulations, 3D printing, making & testing airfoils, and working on engines. Also exciting was experiencing operating a Cessna 150 in flight.



Auction

Thanks to Julie Kraner and her committee for pulling together 41 donated items for the auction. And thanks to Tim Eiting for again making the auction so entertaining.

Items included:

- Firewood
- Subscription to the Evening Leader
- Car detailing
- Certificate for 4 new tires, installed
- A choice of a tree, planted
- A year of chiropractic massages
- An Executive Physical at the hospital
- Uzbekistan cognac
- 52 weeks of coffee
- Several sports ticket packages

- Radio commercials
- 5 dozen homemade Christmas cookies
- Local restaurant gift certificates
- Certificate for "Food by Lish"
- Head to Toe spa package at the Gathering
- Lima Symphony tickets
- A security camera
- Craft beer assortment
- Wyoming Kentucky Bourbon
- Family pass to the St. Marys pool
- Rhinestone Lipgloss earrings
- Hand carved shaving set

Thanks for all of the donations from members and area businesses. And thanks to all of the bidders. As a result, the auction raised \$8,530.

Queen of Hearts

The Queen lives.

Upcoming Programs

11/7 YMCA update, Dale Brunner
11/14 Stock Market, Jeff Robinson
11/21 Interact, Stephanie Kramer

Upcoming Greeters

11/7 Abby Balster
11/14 Mark Ashman
11/21 Larry Hammond
11/28 Wes Protsman

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**

