



The Cog

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Call to Order:

President Kimberli Rompilla called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests to the weekly meeting. Charles Richtmyer offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests included Paige Canfield, with Robbie Burke (Paige will be inducted as a member next week); and Tom Burke, guest of Joe Burke and the newest agent at Burke Insurance.

Ellen Hunter was the song leader and because she was in the mood for Christmas led the singing of Jingle Bells. Happy Birthday was sung to Ali Khokhar.

Happy Dollars:

Happy Dollars were shared by Kimberli, Don Hinckley, Ali, Dick Hudson, Randy Elsass, Kathy Sampson and Ellen Hunter.

Fines:

Derek Vogel was finemaster and he tapped Ellen, John Hall, Linda Haines, Fred Wiswell, Kathy Sampson, Kimberli, Dan Burke, Robbie Burke, Joe Burke, Kevin Harlan, Jim Harris, Ken Strickland, Sandy Matthews, Frank Murray and Jeff Vossler.

Announcements:

There will be a board meeting next week on Sept. 15 at 10:45 a.m.

Paul Harris Fellows:

Rick Green presented Ken Strickland and Ellen Hunter with the certificate, lapel pin and medal that distinguish them as Paul Harris Fellows for their support to the Rotary Foundation. Ken's award was a plus-three and for his daughter-in-law, Janelle.

Program:

Linda Vogel, program chair, introduced Dave Wright, an assistant coach for the St. Marys Roughriders. Wright was pinching for head coach Mark Hollars who was busy with first-day-of-school duties.

Dave said the boys on the team have been working hard. "We took one on the nose last week," he said, referring to the loss at Elida, but said that game is in the "rear view mirror" and the team is looking forward, not backward.

The Roughriders have had some injury problems, and some players have been suspended but those boys should be back in uniform for the next game when they travel to Bath.

Dave said the team participated in a 4-day camp at Ohio Northern University this summer, where the players practiced three times a day, stayed in dorms and ate in the cafeteria. Other teams were

there as well, so the players had the chance for 7-on-7s, in helmets, no pads.



SPEAKER DAVE WRIGHT

A Q&A session drove the remainder of Wright's presentation. He recognizes the team has no passing game to speak of at this time but it is something the coaches and team are working on in practices.

Wright said Ottawa-Glandorf is a team to keep an eye on this year, calling them a sleeper. Kenton will get the headlines because of QB Matt Mauk's talent, and Elida is a pretty good team also with a solid quarterback.

He said Coach Hollars often brings back alumni as well as family members to help the team practice against opposing teams. These "guests" can help emulate what the team could face on the field, which helps them prepare better for the game.

He said Hollars and former coach Doug Frye are "a lot alike in different ways." He said they both are run oriented with an emphasis on defense and that they both value discipline on their teams.

He also said Hollars does what he can to help his players in their personal life, noting many players are from "broken homes."

Wright said to keep an eye out for more information on the new concussion tests. Each team member is tested individually to ensure he is not playing while impaired. He said there is a new rule as well to keep players behind the sidelines to allow officials a clear field to follow the play.

Wright was reminded St. Marys would like to continue its winning streak against Celina. Wright assured the club "our kids will come ready to play."

Queen of Hearts:

Linda Haines' ticket was drawn for \$13 but the Queen lives.

Upcoming Programs:

09-15	Linda Dicke on alcohol
09-22	Rotary Foundation
09-29	Jim Flora, PRO-PET
10-06	Club Assembly - Strategic Plan
10-13	Galen Cisco

Upcoming Greeters:

09-15	John Wale
09-22	Jim Harris
09-29	Beth Noneman
10-06	Mary Riepenhoff
10-13	Kathy Sampson

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

The meeting was adjourned following the recitation of the Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Say or Do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FREINDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?