



The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503

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Call to Order

President Kimberli Rompilla called the meeting to order. The Rev. Bill Maki offered the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Squire led the club in singing "Rotary, My Rotary" and we sang "Happy Birthday" to Tom Hudson, Heidi Mead & Deb Zwez. Guests were Greg Ferrall, Kendra Ferrall, Jim Beckett, Paul Wilkins and Michelle Stein. Mary Riepenhoff hosted five Memorial High School seniors as guests.

Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars were shared by Marty Dodrill for the firing of Pitt's coach, Sue Pittman for a successful open house, Tanya Temple because her son does not need surgery, Heidi for her 40th birthday, Scott Ross for the bowling team's successes, Kevin Lawler for his mom's upcoming open house in honor of her birthday, Charles Richtmyer for

Louis Comus who is headed to Phoenix for the winter, Kraig Noble for the academic team's success, and Jeff Squire for an upcoming Arts Place holiday beer tasting event.

Fines

Randy Elsass was the fine master and hit up Brad Sites, Ralph Wiley, Zach Spieles, Kevin Harlan, Heidi Mede, Joe Burke, Marv Buehler, Tonya Temple, Kraig Noble, and anyone who hasn't been skiing, to the Pepsi site to vote or been in Pakistan in the last two weeks.

Announcements

The Christmas Party is Dec. 15, booze and stealing gifts are the themes of the day. The meeting will start early.

Frank Murray spoke to the Pepsi Refresh grant that is available to Grand Lake St. Marys. Please vote every day so this project is awarded \$250,000:

<http://www.refresheverything.com/savegrandlakestmarys>

Elections for board members and officers will take place on December 15th.

Jeff Squire pleaded with everyone to "like" Rotary's Facebook page.

A \$100 check was presented to Jim Beckett for the Shiners. He thanked the club.



Program

Robbie Burke introduced Mick Thieman who gave the program on Omni Manufacturing. He brought Jeremy Freewalt, sales manager, with him.



Omni was established in 1983 and is a tooling and metal stamping business. It is owned by Wayne Freewalt and employs 110 people. The company has three buildings in St. Marys – two on McKinley Road and one on Cleveland Ave.

Mick said Omni is primarily a small- to mid-sized automotive supplier. They also serve a couple of niche markets and saw \$17 million in sales last year.

Omni averages 700,000 pounds of steel use each month. For the auto industry, they are considered a Tier 2 supplier; that is, what they make or stamp goes to someone else who uses it to manufacture a part that is installed in the automobile, Mick explained.



The company also makes an expandable reversible door frame that is 90-minute fire resistant and paints components for tillage equipment.

Jeremy has been with the company for 10 years. He is responsible for looking at RFQs – requests for quotations – and quoting those requests.

He presented a power point on this history of the company, which included a list of the things Omni can do. The local company emphasizes stamping and has more than 50 presses from 50 ton to 1,400 ton. Omni stamps, powder coats and rivets and also has a nylon line. Safety first is the company's motto.

Queen of Hearts:

Birthday boy Tom Hudson had his ticket drawn but the Queen lives.

Upcoming Programs

12-15 Rotary Christmas Party
12-22 Erica Gelhaus, Miss Ohio '09
12-29 New Member updates

Upcoming Greeters

12-15 Brad Seitz
12-22 Jeff Vossler
12-29 Tanya Temple

**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?