

The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503

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Call to Order

President Linda Vogel convened the meeting. Susan Pittman offered the prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Our greeter Tanya Temple introduced visiting Rotarians Gary Fletcher of Meridian, Idaho, and Paula Johnson of Bluffton, Indiana. Jeff Squire led in the song, "Mary's a Grand Old Name." Linda Vogel had a birthday.

Happy Dollars

Linda Vogel, Kevin Harlan, Tami Sanford, John Wale, Rick Green, our speaker Dan Keyes, Frank Klatt, Randy Elsass.

Fines

Randy Elsass fined and Ellen Hunter, with a bit of encouragement, was the "runner." Randy fined Tami Sanford, Joe Burke and Mark Ashman for

sitting with Jon Hall, who suddenly needed to leave early. Jerry Skiver, our superintendent – 50¢ for today's "fog day." Also Gary Newton, Jim Harris, Pat Cogan (he got his question about 7oz coke bottles and car design correct). The last fine involved wounds and mammograms.

Announcements

- Jeff Squire announced that new pictures are being taken for the Rotary Directory. Also those needing to add new information should talk to Don Hinckley or Keith.

- Linda Vogel read some "thank you" letters from students receiving dictionaries from the club.

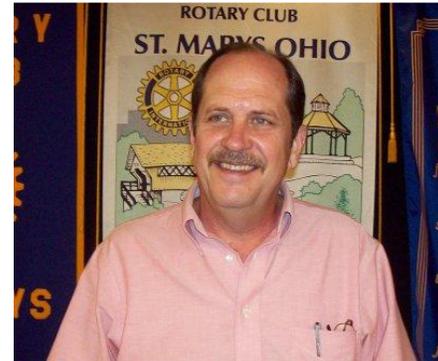
- Linda also mentioned St. Marys "Festival of Lights" from Dec. 1 – 23 at K.C. Geiger Park. The event will be open to public in the evenings from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. They hope to receive donations of good clothing and toys.

- Linda Vogel presented Susan Pittman a check for \$300.00 to go to the College Community Arts Council.

- John Wale announced that there will be no club auction this year. However, Rotary will start a football pool. He passed out a sheet intended to guess the quarterly or final score in the OSU/Nebraska football game. The charge for each square on the sheet is \$20.00. The game itself is played Oct. 8 and we will finalize pool and draw numbers at the Oct. 5 meeting. See John with questions.

Program

Robbie Burke introduced our program, New Bremen artist Dan Keyes, who completed the murals on St. Marys history now in the Heritage Park. Dan spoke in detail about his current work of producing faux paintings in homes, schools and businesses. Both the high school and American Legion in New Bremen contain his works.



He can paint a steel door to look like wood or a fireplace to look like it is made from the finest Italian marble. The trompe l'oeil technique involves decoratively creating an optical illusion, such as an open window, wine cellar or person that is really only the artist's rendering. Dan also has a degree in theater and has written high school plays that are more interesting than many he has read. His "Daughter Keepers" is about the Battle of Fallen Timbers, and "Maiden Stone" is a tragic fairy tale. Currently HBO and others are reviewing a TV series that he wrote. The St. Marys murals go from the era of the Miami Indians to Girty and "Mad Anthony" Wayne, canal days and finally the discovery of oil. (The nurse in the final panel is pointing to the future of St. Marys.)

Queen of Hearts

Lucky Joe Burke claimed the winning ticket, but the Queen lives.

Upcoming Programs

9/28 Jim Jordon – Congressman of Ohio's 4th District
10/5 Galen Cisco
10/12 Auglaize County Sheriff Office Identity Theft
10/19 Mayoral Election Debate w/ Greg Freewalt, Patrick McGowan, Pam Hobler
10/26 Jim Heinrich and Rick Green Rotary International Foundation

Upcoming Greeters

9/28 Ralph Wiley
10/5 Jon Hall
10/12 Kathy Sampson
10/19 Jeff Vossler
10/26 Paige Canfield

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

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 FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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