



*The Cog*  
**Rotary Club No. 3503**  
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**August 28, 2013**

**Call to Order**

President Dan Burke called the meeting to order. Allen Baskett offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests Bob Warren, Beth Keuneke, and Jan Heinrich were welcomed. Jeff Squire led us in a rousing rendition of “Mary’s A Grand Old Name”. We also sang Happy Birthday to Lorraine Fischio today.

**Happy Dollars**

President Dan Burke, Randy Elsass, Jeff Squire, Sue Pittman, Kathy Sampson, Frank Klatt, Allen Baskett, Rita Hilty, and Alex Pittman were all Happy Rotarians today.

**Fines**

Dan Burke handled today’s fines since no one from the Fine Committee was at today’s meeting. Of course Dan’s first victim was “The Fine Committee”. He also levied fines to both Alex and Sue Pittman, Randy Elsass, and anyone who

was not planning to attend the Skull session or this Saturday’s OSU game.

**Announcements**

- Dan welcomed member Kathy Sampson back.
- Dan presented a check from the club to Bob Warren from the Auglaize Council on Aging for the purchase of weather radios to go out to area senior’s homes.



- Dan reported that a check for \$250.00 was given to Polio Plus in the name of DG Joe Ludwig.
- Rotary Orientation has been scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am before our regular club meeting.
- Dan asked everyone to keep former Rotarian Ed Bray in your thoughts and prayers. Ed’s wife passed away this week.

**Program**

President Dan introduced Rachel Barber from the Auglaize County Historical Society who was speaking to us today about the Lincoln Historical Exhibit.

The exhibition is touring throughout the United States. It started in September 2011 and will run through May 2015. Two hundred sites were selected to host the exhibition for a period of six weeks each. Each site is expected to host public humanities programs related to the exhibition and will be awarded a grant of \$750 from ALA, with funding provided

by NEH for expenses related to exhibition programming.

Using the U.S. Constitution as its cohesive thread, “Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War” offers a fresh and innovative perspective on the Civil War that brings into focus the constitutional crises at the heart of this great conflict. The exhibition identifies three crises—the secession of the Southern states, slavery, and wartime civil liberties—and explores how Lincoln sought to meet these political and constitutional challenges.

“Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War” is a collaboration between NEH, NCC, and ALA. NCC originally developed this exhibition on a larger scale, and has reformatted it for travel to smaller venues. ALA will administer the tour. The traveling exhibition and tour are funded by a major grant from NEH.



“Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War” is supported by NEH’s We the People initiative, whose aim is to stimulate and enhance the teaching, study, and understanding of American history and culture.

The exhibition encourages visitors to understand the Civil War as a test of the U.S. Constitution, to consider Lincoln’s options through his own eyes, and to reflect on the significance of that great 19th-century conflict for Americans today.

Lincoln was one of our most eloquent presidents, and wherever possible, the text

of this exhibition is taken from his own words. Exhibit text includes the Gettysburg Address, the Emancipation Proclamation, and the Thirteenth Amendment, as well as the Order to Blockade the Southern Ports, which marked the official start of the Civil War.

The Touring Exhibition will be in our area from August 28<sup>th</sup> through October 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact the Auglaize County Public Library or go to <http://auglaize.oplin.org/> for specific details and a schedule.

**Queen of Hearts**

Pat Cogan had the winning ticket today...winning not only the daily prize, but Pat also found “The Queen”. Congratulations Pat!

**Upcoming Programs**

- 9-4 Riders Coach Greg Phillips and the new Athletic Director
- 9-11 High School Students – European Vacation
- 9-18 Lynn Child – Cyber Security

**Upcoming Greeters**

- 9-04 Trisha Barnes
- 9-11 Linda Vogel
- 9-18 Marty Dodrill

*\*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?