



The Cog

Rotary Club No. 3503
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August 5, 2015

Call to Order

President Kathy Sampson opened the meeting and Pastor Bill Maki offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Guests/Song/Birthdays

Bev Wilker was a guest of Dan Burke. Jeff Squire led the singing of "All Hail to Rotary" and "Happy Birthday" to Alisher Khudaykulov.

Happy Dollars

Dan Burke was happy for his guest, Dan Hosek for 34 years of marriage, Don Hinckley for August and for being new part time assistant athletic director, Susan Crotty for the Chief being here today and for CIC meeting, Linda Vogel for a shot at the queen, Frank Klatt for no cane and for the marketing department at Otterbein, Kraig Noble for Burke's billboard being replaced by Ellen Hunter's billboard (but without the picture), Sue Pittman for the book

sale and for Art Fest this weekend, Randy Elsass for 25 years of being a financial analyst but now all his licenses have expired (but he made money playing golf), Rita Hilty for Frank's plugs about Otterbein and for the fish fry on August 22, Alex Pittman for retiring after 36 years, and Ellen for taking Burke's billboard spot.

Fines

Ron Gorby did the fines. He fined Dan Burke for getting names wrong, his table for kissing up to the finer, Rick Green for docking in the wrong dock, Sue and Rita for prayer confusion, all Republicans who did not make it to the debate stage, Randy for looking like Donald Trump, Frank Klatt for his legs, and if you haven't been to a Concert in the Park, Waynestock, or jail.

Announcements

Sign up for Summerfest work shifts.

Buy and/or sell hog raffle tickets.

Program

VP Ellen introduced our first speaker for today, Dr. Keith Jacobs. Keith is a graduated from Memorial High and ONU in pharmacy. He came today to talk to us about Waynestock. Waynestock is a free contemporary Christian Rock concert that will be held this year on August 22nd. Keith talked about the beginnings of the concert and how it has morphed into a much larger event.

Five years ago it started as a fundraiser for the Wayne Street United Methodist Church and was held in its sanctuary. They made \$1.28. Last year they brought in a professional stage crew with big name acts, made it

a free concert and had about 7,000 in attendance at Skip Baughman Stadium. This year they hope to get an even bigger crowd and will support the ROC and Mercer County House of Hope with any proceeds.

The event is funded by sponsorships and Keith thanked all the sponsors, volunteers and the community for supporting this event over the years.



Ellen then introduced Chief Mark Ernst. Mark has been the chief of St. Marys police for about 18 months and has been on the force for over 25 years. The police have been doing a lot of outreach, including women's self defense classes, car seat programs for new parents, in school talks about drugs and K-9 demonstrations to community groups.

As a way to introduce our citizens to police training and demystify what they do he has started a Citizens Police Academy. The academy is free and open to the public. Mark hopes to get between 10 and 20 participants. Mark said we have more of a Mayberry style department but with big city capabilities.



Classes will include shooting range training, K-9 demonstration, polygraph use, drug testing, and self defense. You will tour the city facilities and the county jail. If you are up for it you may get tazed or taken down by Scout the dog.

Queen of Hearts

Travis Elsass got to draw for the Queen, but alas...No Queen for Beth.

Upcoming Programs

8-12 Sister Cities
8-19 Coach Doug Frye
8-26 David Simons from Ferguson

Upcoming Greeters

8-12 Pat Cogan
8-19 Susan Crotty
** Please note: All Rotarians scheduled to greet, please be in place by 11:30 a.m.*

The meeting was adjourned after recitation of the "Four Way Test".

