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Rotary Club No. 3503

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February 7, 2018

### Call to Order

President Jeff Squire opened the meeting, and Bill Maki offered the invocation.

Guests included Emily Post, guest of Ellen Hunter; Mike Wilker, guest of Bev Wilker; Jan Heinrich, guest of Jim Heinrich; Greg Foxhaven, guest of Mike Burkholder; Katie Honigford from WLIO; Angie Klosterman and Teresa Schulte from *The Evening Leader*; and MHS Seniors

Kevin Lawler led us in singing a revised version of, "I've been working on the railroad".

### Happy Birthday

There were no member birthdays, but we sang "Happy Birthday" to guest Mike Wilker.

### Happy Dollars

Dan Burke was happy for the induction of Emily Post and for the City

of St. Marys, mayor, and city council in partnering on new stadium project. Bleachers have been ordered and lighting is in the process of being ordered. Bev Wilker was happy to have Mike as her guest and for his birthday. Linda Vogel was happy for MHS student Madison Henschen and Mike Wilker being at Rotary. Ellen Hunter was happy for Emily Post being inducted into Rotary today. Trisha Barnes was happy for Emily Post joining club and for today marking 20 years from first date with husband. Kathy Bayless was happy for attending Ada club to hear John Hill speak on Haiti and for surviving Beth's driving on the trips to/from Ada. Jim Heinrich gave \$80 Happy dollars for Jan's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. (Then we sang happy birthday to Jan.) Laia Mortimer was happy for accepting a new position with the Auglaize County prosecutor's office. Travis Elsass was happy for Carp derby coming up on June 1, 2, and 3.



### Fines

Travis Elsass levied the following group fines: if you pay a city tax to St. Marys, if Swiss steak is one of your favorite Rotary meals, if you aren't a graduate of Memorial, and if you had to shovel sidewalks this week.

### Announcements

- Frank Klatt and Steve Mielke have resigned.
- Gears and Cheers on Feb 22 at Minster State Bank for the Business After Hours event from 5-8pm.

- On Feb 14<sup>th</sup> the Small Acts of Kindness cmte will be delivering cookies to various offices around the city.
- Updated member directory sheets are available
- David L. Waltermire, Business Development Coordinator for Midwest Electric, Inc. has been proposed as a possible member. Questions or concerns should be sent to Kathy Bayless

### New Member Induction

Dan Burke inducted Emily Post into our club. Emily was sponsored by Ellen Hunger, and she is an audiologist at Family Audiology Associates. Welcome to Emily!



### Program

Zach introduced today's speaker, Mayor Pat McGowan. The mayor gave a recap of his goals for 2017 and what was accomplished. He offered to share his powerpoint with anyone who contacted him.) Some highlights from his report:

- Eight new lots added to Rolling Hills subdivision
- Fire department responded to 314 calls
- New "extreme vac" for leaf pickup purchased
- Police answered 52,095 calls resulting in 2,393 criminal, traffic or civic events.
- Income taxes generated \$4,728,924 for the city.

-Resolved the the bricked portion of Walnut Street will remain brick.

The mayor shared his goals for 2018, which included:

- a new digital sign on US 33
- Convert old railway bridge into pedestrian bridge
- Interchange beautification (using native plants) at state routes 66 and 33 and also at 33 and 29.



### Queen of Hearts

Phil Shuman's number was called, but he was unable to find the queen

### Upcoming Programs

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| 12/14 | Al Soloman, Sheriff                       |
| 2/21  | Jeff Marcum, Freshwater Boater's Alliance |
| 2/28  | Kathy Jeffries, Project Search            |
| 3/7   | John Hill, Haiti project                  |

### Upcoming Greeters

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| 2/14 | Bill Maki      |
| 2/21 | Dan Burke      |
| 2/28 | Rebecca Regnet |

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

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

