



THE COG

Rotary Club No. 3503

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September 5, 2018

Call to Order

President Zach Ferrall called the meeting to order, and Charles Richtmyer offered the invocation.

Guests included Pastor Tim Benjamin, guest of Ellen, Theresa and Jake Dowling from The Evening Leader, and Jan Heinrich, guest of Jim.

Songleader Ellen Hunter led the singing of "Old MacDonal" as well as "Happy Birthday" to Dick Hudson.

Happy Dollars

Julie Kraner was happy for having a chance at the queen last week. Jeff Squire was happy for a fun Dayton Dragons game and for Lima Concert

Band playing next Saturday 15th with Blue Lou from the Blues Brothers. Tricia Barnes was happy for a great time at the Dayton Dragons game. Kraig Noble was happy for a trip to Michigan and for attending the Fichigan-Notre Dame game. Brian Botti was happy for his recent presentation to St. Marys elementary students. Ellen was happy for having Pastor Tim as her guest and for September being Balance Awareness month. Charles Richtmyer was happy for positive report from Urologist. Jim Harris was happy to be retired and not getting up at 4am. Randy Elsass was \$20 happy for 40th wedding anniversary. Zach threw in a buck for the Bucks and a buck for the Riders, and Tami Sanford was happy for playing golf in West Virginia for her 38th wedding anniversary.

Fines

Finemaster Tami Sanford fined Julie Kraner for reminding people as she greeted them to get their nametags so they wouldn't be fines. Dan Burke was fined for moving to Celina. Bev Wilker was fined for taking another vacation. The Pittmans were fined for sitting next to each other at the same spot again. Ellen Hunter was fine for promoting her business. The Group was fined for making Phil sit by himself, for not yet purchasing a ticket for Tailgate for Cancer, and if they didn't watch Bucks or Riders this weekend. Zac then fined himself for skipping the singing of "Happy Birthday".

Announcements

- Dictionary delivery is tomorrow.
- Sept. 19th: District Governor visit. Show up and bring guests.
- Oct. 23: Halloween parade and Pizza for Polio.
- 2019-20 elections are coming up; thing about getting involved.



Program

Geri G., Red Cross account manager for Ohio and Indiana spoke to the group, and she has been with Red Cross for 18 years. The Red Cross helped 13 families in Auglaize county last year, mostly because of home fires. Red Cross does not receive any money from government, and is totally funded by donors. They provide emergency communication between members of the military and their families. The Red cross handled 45 cases of military coming home for family situations in Auglaize County last year. Other Red Cross programs include teaching CPR and first aid, Sound the Alarm (they go door to door checking and installing smoke detectors) and the pillowcase program, where they teach lower elementary students how to prepare for a disaster (throw what

you need into a pillowcase). And, of course, they do blood drives. Blood donations are broken down into plasma, platelets and red blood cells. Demand for blood is increasing, and there is a decline in blood donors. The Red Cross is starting an initiative to get school children to encourage their parents to donate. For more information on donating blood, go to www.redcrossblood.org.

Queen of Hearts

Birthday boy Dick Hudson had a shot at the Queen but instead found the Joker. He then drew Dan Burke's number, but Dan also could not find the Queen.



Upcoming Programs

9/12 Buckeye Trail
9/19 Moeller Brew Barn
9/26 Oktoberfest

Upcoming Greeters

9/12 Tricia Barnes
9/19 Bob Leugers

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**

