

"The Mirror"

CHARLOTTE ROTARY CLUB – 12-17-2013

GREETER: Garrett Bensinger greeted us at the door.

INVOCATION: Robin Crouch gave our invocation.

SINGING: Jason Vanderstelt had a "Groundhog Day" moment as he led our singing of the same two songs as last week, "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing". "Happy Birthday" was sung to Wally Miars and Jerry Sommer.

VISITING ROTARIANS: Gene Kelso from the Williamston Sunrise Club.

GUESTS: Matt Rush brought his son and former Jr. Rotarian, Cooper Rush.

JR. ROTARIANS: Our Jr. Rotarian's for December are **Ashleigh Reinbold** and **Grant Goff**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ President Herm announced Rotary Anniversaries: Linda Foster, 1 year; Mike Crowner, 10 years; Jason Vanderstelt, 17 years; John Dykstra, 27 years; and Doug Lowe, 43 years.
- ◆ A basket was passed to collect \$\$ for Rotary District 6360, in lieu of their raffle, which is not being held this year..

50 / 50: Paul Tomasek had the barrel and collected \$54.00 for a payout of \$27.00 to the winner – which turned out to be Ed Foster.

SGT-AT-ARMS: Jimmy Chic was our Sgt-at-Arms and started out by fining greeter Garrett Bensinger for not knowing our visiting Rotarian. Vince Ferris paid for attempting to "fix" the 50/50 drawing. Wally Miars and Eric Crandall each paid for attending the Lions home loss on Monday night. Paul Tomasek and Jerry Sommer were fined for being bad influences on our Jr. Rotarian, Ashleigh Reinbold. President Herm paid for presiding over his "well oiled machine"! In the spirit of the holidays, Chic then decided to have a "Name the Alias" contest! He noted that a few of our club members have secret holiday themed nicknames, and he asked several members if they could identify them. First was the "Snowman" who Gregg Guetschow failed to correctly identify and paid a dollar. Paul Wilson correctly identified Moe Jackson! "The Grinch" cost Terry Kelly a buck before



Kathie Cook correctly identified him as Joey Pray! "The Elf" had several people baffled, including Paul Tomasek, John Newland, and Doug Buck. Chic finally identified Jr. Rotarian Grant Goff as our "Elf"! And finally "Santa Claus" himself had



Vinnie and Moe stumped before being revealed as Paul Tomasek! Feel free to ask Moe, Joey, Grant and Paul how they came about having these nicknames! "Happy ☺ Dollars" were collected from Max Baxter and Don Sovey, both of whom have children getting married in the near future.

PROGRAM: Tim Johnson, representing the Sgt-at-Arms Committee, introduced Larry Koster and Gene Kelso, who gave a program on the R. J. Scheffel Memorial Toy Project in Lansing, which provides wooden toys and games for children who are disadvantaged or in crisis. Run strictly by

volunteers and funded through contributions, this organization was begun by R. J. Scheffel, who ran the program by himself until his passing in the 1970's. Since then it has continued through volunteers and they now provide nearly 10,000 toys annually, which are distributed by the Salvation Army, Sparrow Hospital, Ele's Place, and Mott's Children's Hospital to name a few. To learn more about this wonderful organization, go to <http://www.scheffel-toys.org>. Many hanks to Larry and Gen for being with us and providing a great program.

NEXT WEEK: 12-24-2013 – No Meeting, Merry Christmas!

Until then,

Purdue Pete



DECEMBER DUTIES

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| ATTENDANCE | Kathie Cook |
| GREETER | Garrett Bensinger |
| INVOCATION | TBA |
| MIRROR | Moe Jackson |
| SINGING | Jason Vanderstelt |
| SGT-AT-ARMS | Jim Cicorelli (Barrel) |
| | Amy Gilson (50/50) |
| | John Newland (S & T) |

Upcoming Programs:

- Dec 31** - Student Guests– Jason Vanderstelt– Jr. Rotarian Re-Union (+ 20)
- Jan 14** - Scholarship – Matt Rush
- Jan 21** - Environment – Mike Crowner
- Jan 28** - Annual Support – Mike Fulton
- Feb 04** - Invocation – Phil Hobson
- Feb 11** - Occupational Information – Garret Bensinger
- Feb 18** - RI/World Comm. Service – Jerry Sommer
- Feb 25** - Fund Raising – Carrie Burch
- Mar 04** - Attendance – Kathie Cook
- Mar 11** - Membership Development – Gregg Guetschow
- Mar 18** - Rotary Family – Cary Ritter/Wendi Bemis-Cooper
- Mar 25** - Publicity – Cindy Gaedert
- Apr 01** - Read-To-Me – John Newland
- Apr 08** - Music – Chuck Archer – High School Chorale (+ 20)
- Apr 15** - Sports – Vince Ferris
- Apr 22** - Mirror – Moe Jackson – High School Jazz Band (+ 30)
- Apr 29** - Student Guests – Jason Vanderstelt– Jr. Rotarian Program & Robin Crouch with the International Students as the program (+ 20)
- May 06** - Community Pride – Marty Latchaw
- May 13** - Student Guests – Kris Dykstra – Senior Recognition & Scholarships (+ 20)
- May 16-18** - District 6360 Conference – @ The Harbor Village Inn at Harbor Shores in St. Joseph-Benton Harbor (Home of the Sr. PGA Golf Championship)
- May 20** - Scholarship – Matt Rush
- May 27** - Fellowship – Al Hirt
- Jun 03** - Occupational Information – Garret Bensinger
- Jun 10** - Classification – Tim Jewell
- Jun 17** - Invocation – Phil Hobson
- Jun 24** - Special Events – Paul Wilson – Presidents BBQ
- July 01** - Club Assembly – Larry Adams