



Club Number 3371, District 6540, Chartered June 17, 1944

October 8, 2007

President Christina Dougherty presided at the meeting, and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Four Way Test. Chaplain Doug Busby gave the invocation.

Queen of Hearts – Ron Gigliotti had the lucky number but did not find the Queen.

Happy \$'s – Christina Dougherty, Elmer Sult and Frank Lloyd contributed. The group sang "Happy Birthday" to Frank who celebrated his 83rd birthday on Sunday.

Rotary Foundation – Christina Dougherty announced that she and Yvonne Lindborg attended the Rotary Foundation dinner on Friday, October 5. Yvonne arranged for a gift basket from La Porte Rotary to be donated to the silent auction. November is Foundation Month. Our club's goal for this year is to raise \$4,200. In order to achieve that goal, Every Member, Every Year should plan to make his/her contribution in November. Checks can be written to Rotary Foundation and given to, or mailed to, Linda at 583 Waverly Road, La Porte.

Club Assembly. The various committees met to discuss plans for the year. Tim Gropp, chair of the Club Service division, reported that he and Marv Goad will develop Teams for each month to handle greeting of members and guests and meal payments. Photos of Rotary activities and events are always welcome for the web site. Plans for the 4th of July parade float are in the works. Ed Arnold, reported for international service that the club can host the visiting team from Australia for a day visit. He also urged us to recruit professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 from our area to send on group study exchanges. For Special Events, Jim Blint announced that the high school will no longer hold sports banquets that Rotary has hosted for many years. Christina Dougherty announced that special events such as a wine-tasting or dinner and silent auction are being considered.

Upcoming meetings –(Check Upcoming Events at website for latest information)

Monday, October 15 at Pioneer Land at the La Porte County Fairgrounds

Monday, October 22 at Best Value Inn

Monday, October 29 at La Porte County Public Library on Indiana Avenue in La Porte

Web site – Joe Goepfrich maintains the La Porte Rotary site. He has just completed updates. Be sure Joe has your current address and email. Go to www.rotaryoflaporte.org

Virtual Make-Up -- It is now possible to make up a missed meeting by logging on to Rotary's e-club website at www.rotaryclubone.org. At this website, you can read articles on programs or archived information, and you will be required to answer questions. You must read a minimum of 30 minutes to qualify for a make-up. There is a small fee; and you will receive a print out to bring to Norm Juday in order to count toward Rotary's attendance requirement.

Members present: Lily Ake, Mike Arnett, Ed Arnold, Jim Blint, Doug Busby, Ron Cmiel, Christina Dougherty, Ron Gigliotti, Joseph Goepfrich, Tim Gropp, Judy Hamilton, Bill Hedge, Norm Juday, Bill Kolash, Steve Kring, Frank Lloyd, Dale Parkison, Jonathan Salisbury, Andy Serafin, Willard Simcox, Elmer Sul

Guest – Alex Serafin, son of Andy Serafin and grandson of Elmer Sult