

Butler A.M. Rotary Club
Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Cletus Scalo at 7:25 am.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mike Ogin
The Invocation was given by Clint Champagne

Guest Speaker: Chris Zigler, Butler-Freeport Community Trails Council
Guests: Betty Fitzgerald, Clearview Federal Credit Union; Al McGrath, Butler P.M.
Rotary Club; Lisa Campbell, Butler County Community College

Happy Bucks:

Candy Hartley \$1 – her son lost his job in South Carolina last week, but his dad bought the company and now he has his job back

Cindy Harbison: \$1 for the new bridge that is finally finished and \$1 for the Entertainment Books she is selling to benefit the Reality Tour Drug Prevention Program

Clete Scalo: \$1 for Lisa Campbell – he's glad she's here from BC3, and \$1 to thank everyone who brought guests last week and to remind them to please follow up with the guests

Dick Musko: \$1 he's unhappy to be back from vacation

There were no birthdays or anniversaries to announce this week.

President Scalo reminded the members the annual flower pulling and highway cleanup will be held on Saturday, October 31, 2009 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Those who are volunteering should meet at the flower beds at the corner of Hansen Avenue and New Castle Road at 9:00 a.m. After finishing there, we will proceed to the clean up project at the intersection of Routes 422, 68, and 38. He asked that we all invite boy and Girl Scout troops and other volunteers to come along and help.

November 10 meeting will be followed by a Board Meeting. The nominating committee will be presenting the slate of officers which will be voted on in December.

Cece Foster, Executive Director of the Community Health Clinic of Butler County will be the guest speaker at the November 17 meeting.

We are hoping to have Dr. Borja speak at the November 24 meeting.

Peggy Weckerly announced she has stationery for anyone who needs it.

Candy Hartley asked anyone who is interested in taking on one of the open leadership positions to contact her, Margaret Clawson or Moe Goodwin.

Cletus Scalo then introduced our speaker, Chris Zigler, of the Butler-Freeport Community Trails Council. The first section of the Trail was purchased by Buffalo,

Winfield and Jefferson Townships and was opened in 1992. It was one of the first of 400 trails. People use the Trail for walking, hiking, biking and geo caching. No motorized vehicles are allowed on the Trail.

The Trail is all volunteer-maintained. They hope to build the bridge into Butler soon for \$15,000. They recently got a grant to finish the Trail into Butler. They were hoping to purchase the old Dittmer general store in Herman, but need additional grant money to do that.

There have been numerous Eagle Scout project opportunities on the Trail. Once the new Freeport Bridge is built there will be a dedicated bike lane. The trail will be connected with River Forest Country Club at Freeport. Eventually the Trail will connect up with other trails and go as far as Washington D.C. Maps were distributed to Club members.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Cindy Harbison.

There being no other business, President Scalo adjourned the meeting with the Four Way Test at 7:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Harbison, Secretary