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**JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH**

## Kevin O'Grady tells his story – did you know he's a Financial Planner? - story below



VISITING ROTARIANS / GUESTS: Erin O'Grady (Kevin's daughter), Lynn Haskin (Prospective member), Joe Hamelle (Rochester), Dave Ferris (Rochester), Bill Winn (Peoria, Illinois).

ATTENDANCE – 33 members, 1 guests, 4 visiting Rotarians, 1 Honor

### MEMBER NEWS

### News

Please forward any member news to Rick Haverty – email, phone, and napkins all work.

Bill Smith has placed his application for membership in the Rotary Club of Pittsford. If you have any objection to Bill's membership please send the objection in writing to the club president within seven days of this notice.

Mary Alice Price was selected as one of 20 business and community leaders for recognition as Rochester's Influential Women. This Rochester Business Journal honor recognizes the achievements of women who work in the highest ranks of area organizations and make or influence policy decisions. Superintendent Price will be honored with all the honorees at a Rochester Business Journal luncheon on June 14 at the Hyatt Regency Rochester. Mary Alice says her influence does not necessarily apply at home. Congratulations on the award, on both Pittsford high schools being in America's top 100 in the Newsweek article, and on our 4<sup>th</sup> grade English test scores being second in the area. All that and Mary Alice has time to be a great Rotarian too.

CLUB Attendance - Our attendance figure for March – **81 %** \* Be sure you receive credit for your make-ups by either email or other notice to our club secretary (Jim Cameron - [graphics@frontiernet.net](mailto:graphics@frontiernet.net) ).



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**IF YOU HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT:** If you have an announcement to make at a club meeting please provide the details to Rick Haverty in writing for inclusion in the newsletter. The deadline is noon Wednesday for that week's edition. Email [rhaverty@rochester.rr.com](mailto:rhaverty@rochester.rr.com) or a written note at the meeting will do.

**ROAD CLEAN-UP:** Matt Wahl said it was another successful road clean-up with nine bags of trash and lots of beer. He thanked those who helped out.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORS & MORE ABOUT THE RAFFLE PRIZE:** On behalf of Gerry Vesling, Beans Bement announced the addition of two more hole sponsors. Spall Homes (arranged by Hank Ferris) and Piehler Pontiac (arranged by Beans) bring our total number of hole sponsors to 50! Gerry thanks everyone for their efforts and asked that members keep bringing them in.

This week's look at the **raffle prize:** From a brand new resort spa in Donegal to a fine city hotel in Dublin the places our winners will enjoy during their stay are outstanding. For golfers it doesn't get much better. They will be playing the courses that host the Irish Open and the 2006 Ryder Cup. For non-golfers visits to the country side as well as the historic city of Dublin are hard to match. With the rental car from our friends at Avis they will be free to explore any of the sites and attractions offered by Ireland. We wish you all good luck, but you won't win if you don't buy a raffle ticket or two. The odds of winning are determined by how many we sell, but it won't be any worse than 1 in 1,000. Last year the odds were about 1 in 430. All members are asked to promote the raffle and help sell the tickets.

**CAMP HACCAMO BALL FIELD WORK TEAM:** On Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 9 a.m. to noon at the Camp Haccamo Ball Field, the Pittsford and Irondequoit Rotary Clubs will participate in ball field maintenance. Come and visit the camp, help get the field ready for the summer, and socialize with members of the Irondequoit club – they're a great bunch! Please contact Bruce Spector if you are planning to participate.

**LPGA ROTARY MEETING JUNE 14<sup>th</sup>:** There will be a Rotary luncheon meeting at Locust Hill Country Club on June 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:45 to 1:30. Tickets are \$12 and Don Alhart will be the keynote speaker. This meeting will replace our regularly scheduled Wednesday morning meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to attend the Tuesday luncheon in lieu of the Wednesday breakfast. You can also sponsor a special Olympian or a coach for \$12.

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS TRACK & FIELD DAY:** Speaking of Special Olympics, this event will be held Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>. Pat Mallery passed around sign up sheets for volunteers. If you have never volunteered for Special Olympics this is the event to start with. It runs from 8:00am to 3:30pm at RIT. Please see Pat to sign up or for more details

**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL PITTSFORD TRIATHLON:** Pat Mallery is organizing volunteers to help out at the triathlon on Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet is coming (I think). See Pat for more details.

**POSITIVELY PITTSFORD JUNE 12<sup>th</sup>:** Once again the Rotary and Interact clubs will participate in this event and we'll need some volunteers to help out. Lynn Freshman said we'll be judging the sidewalk chalk contest again. She will be asking for volunteers to cover two hour shifts between 1:00 and 7:00pm. Pat Mallery can also use help with the Rotary information booth at the event.

**FAIRPORT ROTARY ANTIQUE SHOW:** June 4<sup>th</sup> in Perinton Park.

**CHANGE-OVER DINNER RESERVATIONS:** It's time to make your reservations for the change-over dinner. It will be held on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at Locust Hill Country Club. The cash bar opens at 5:30pm and dinner will be served about 6:15pm. Please complete the attached reservation form and give it to Jim Cameron along with your check. The cost is \$30 per person and includes your choice of Prime

Rib, Salmon, or Stuffed Chicken. As always spouses, friends, relatives, and complete strangers are welcome. The annual community service award and Paul Harris award will be announced at the meeting as we say farewell to John Bernacki and the board of directors and welcome in Pat Mallery and his new board (well, sort of new). There will be no morning meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

**LPGA HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST:** The LPGA hole-in-one million dollar contest is here. **Tuesday, May 17 - Thursday, May 26 from 11a.m. - 9 p.m.** Locations:

**Henrietta Veterans Memorial Park**  
Calkins Road in Henrietta

**St. John Fisher College**  
East Avenue in Pittsford

**Penfield Community Center**  
Baird Road in Penfield

**Greece Town Hall**  
1 Vince Tofany Blvd.



## FEATURES

### THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

**MUSIC:** In honor of Mary Alice's recent accomplishments - "When Irish Eyes are Smiling"

**PROGRAM:** This morning we heard from Kevin O'Grady. He's been a member of our club for almost a year (June 2004). Kevin and his wife Kathleen have three children – one each in high school, middle school, and elementary school. He brought his high schooler, Erin, for show and tell. Kevin was born in Buffalo and was adopted when he was a few days old by Bob and Dolly O'Grady. He grew up in Pittsford. One of Kevin's most fond memories is going on fishing trips with his dad to Canada. Kevin works in the financial services business. He said his company stills practices financial planning, "the old fashion way." A number of questions and answers about financial planning followed. Kevin handed out portfolios along with some great photos of him and his family. It's obvious that family is #1 to Kevin. He's a great guy and a great Rotarian.



**HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES:** Russ Crook gave a happy dollar because taxes in his town only went up single digits (smirk). A few no pin fines were paid. Bob Vukosic gave a couple of bucks for missing the road clean-up due to early morning confusion (a common affliction among us Rotarians) and another for the Newsweek article pegging our schools in the top 100. Don Henderson gave a buck for living in a high crime area - across from the guy that was (allegedly) bilking Kodak. Don provided a few neighborhood insights that will go unpublished. Dennis Price, in a melancholy mood, gave for such a beautiful day. Hank Ferris gave because he went to Aruba

(again!) and today is his grandson's third birthday. Is it just me or does Hank seem to be in exotic places a lot?

**50/50 DRAWING:** The pot has swelled to \$209.50. Rick Haverty drew a suspicious looking king – home made with magic marker - hmmm. Fred Kopp drew an 8. The pot will swell again next week – buy lots of tickets!

### ROTARY INFORMATION: Rotary Club of Malone, NY

It's always interesting to see what kind of projects other clubs come up with. We had an inquiry on our website this past week from a member of the Malone, NY Rotary Club, John Ray. Interestingly this US club was originally organized with help from the Montreal, Canada club – way back in 1925. John has recently created a web site for his club [ [www.malonerotary.org](http://www.malonerotary.org) ] and it includes a look at a very unique project. This Rotary Club builds homes! The Malone Rotary Club partners with local BOCES - North Franklin Education Center (NFEC) to build new



homes. The club pays for the lot and all materials and the students from NFEC provide much of the labor. This is an important part of their learning experience during their last two years of their high school training at a vocational technical school. The Club borrows money at a local bank to help pay for materials. The club members chip with their labor as well. They make extensive use of their vocations as members of the club chip in with their specialties – two who manage lumber yards, one who runs a bank, and still others who know how to build houses. It takes about a year to complete. They have completed at least six such homes to date. The finished house is sold on the open market. Some of the profits are used to help finance the next house, and some of the profits are contributed to local organizations and activities that support the ideals of Rotary. The latest new home was started over the winter months at the NFEC. Work onsite started in late April 2005. The projected completion date is the spring/summer of 2006. This is the kind of project you'll read about in the Rotarian one of these days. Nice work Malone, NY!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** *"Most folks are about as happy as they make up their minds to be."* - **Abraham Lincoln**

**JUST FOR FUN: A left brained exercise...**

While sitting in a chair, lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles.

Now, while doing this, draw the number "6" in the air with your right hand. Your foot will change direction.

And... some word fun:

1. Inoculatte (v): To take coffee intravenously when you are running late.
2. Hipatitis (n): Terminal coolness.
3. Osteopornosis (n): A degenerate disease. (This one got extra credit.)
4. Karmageddon (n): It's like, when everybody is sending off all these really bad vibes, right? And then, like, the Earth explodes and it's like, a serious bummer.
5. Dopeler effect (n): The tendency of stupid ideas to seem smarter when they come very quickly.
6. Ignoranus (n): A person who's both stupid and a horses rear end.

## OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **May 21** Ontario-Walworth Rotary Club Texas Hold Em Poker Tournament - Ontario Golf Club, 12-1pm Buffet Lunch, 1-5 pm tournament . \$120 buy in includes buffet, donation to Rotary International , and prize pool. Entry deadline is May 18<sup>th</sup>. Send intent to play to [dpagano6@rochester.rr.com](mailto:dpagano6@rochester.rr.com).
- **June 4** Fairport Rotary Antique Show – Perinton Park
- **June 6** Penfield Rotary Golf Tournament. Shadow Lake @ 11:00am - Contact Bob Sandholzer at 530-0835.
- **June 6** Greece Rotary 11th Annual Charity Golf Tournament, Ridgemont Country Club, Registration open at 11 am, Contact Andy Gray [agray@usapayroll.com](mailto:agray@usapayroll.com)
- **June 11** HORSEHEADS CENTURY BIKE RIDE - contact Dan Brojakowski (607) 734-3450 or email [Rotary.Century.Ride@verison.net](mailto:Rotary.Century.Ride@verison.net)
- **June 19-22** Rotary International Convention (Chicago, IL)
- **July 25** CISCO/Rotary Camp Honeoye Charity Golf Tournament. Island Oaks Course, Lima Country Club 9AM registration, 10AM shotgun start (four-person scramble), 4:30PM Reception/Dinner and Awards. [www.honeoyelakerotary.org](http://www.honeoyelakerotary.org) for registration details.

- **August 13** Avon Rotary Club Corn Festival. 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Street vendors, food and entertainment, Genesee Street, Avon. 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM free concert by the Skycoasters. Milex parking lot located off Genesee St, behind the Fire Station

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### On-Going –

- 21 May – Camp Haccamo** – Ball field clean up. See Bruce Spector.  
**25 May – Hospice Angel Gala** – See Peggy Martin for tickets & information  
**4 June – Special Olympics** – Track & Field Day at RIT – See Pat Mallery  
**5 June – Pittsford Triathlon** – Thornell Farm Park – See Pat Mallery  
**8 June – LPGA Work Night** at Locust Hill Country Club. Wear work clothes – hot dogs and soda will be provided. Wednesday evening ~ 5:30 – 7:30.  
**12 June – Positively Pittsford** – See Lynn Freshman or Pat Mallery to help out.  
**14 June – LPGA Luncheon** at Locust Hill Country Club. Tuesday at noon. Happy Flag Day!  
 Watch this space for Ronald McDonald House spring clean-up; East Street road clean-ups; Canal clean-ups; Little League events; LPGA events; and other Pittsford Rotary spring time events. If you are a chair person of one of these please get your information into our club calendar.  
**29 June** – Installation (Change-over) Dinner @ Locust Hill – Reservations to Jim Cameron  
**30 July – ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE** – Shadow Lake Golf & Racquet Club

## MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

If you know someone who would be an interesting speaker contact Lynn Freshman for scheduling.

CLUB BOARD MEETINGS – First Thursday of each month @ Pittsford Wegman's Market Café (upstairs) 7:00 am  
 FOUNDATION BOARD MEETINGS – Following the regular meeting on the third Wednesday of every month.

DATE	SPEAKER	PROGRAM	ORGANIZATION	GREETER
5/25/05	Kelly Saucke	Rochester in the Making	ROC City	Hank Ferris
6/1/05	Russell Crook	Know Your Member	Coalition	Curt Fey
		TBD – plan to be at Locust hill in the evening for our work night!	RC of Pittsford	
6/8/05	TBD		TBD	Ed Francis
6/14/05	Don Alhart	Joint Meeting – noon at Locust Hill CC	District 7120	N/A
6/15/05		NO MEETING TODAY – go on 6/14		
6/22/05	John Bernacki	Club Assembly	RC of Pittsford	Lynn Freshman
		Club Change-over Dinner – 5:30PM		
6/29/05	John Bernacki	Locust Hill Country Club	RC of Pittsford	Jerry Gambino

### HELPFUL ROTARY LINKS:

<http://www.rotary.org/> - Rotary International

<http://www.rotary7120.org/> - Our District

<http://www.pittsfordrotary.org/> - Our club's website

[NAZARETH ROTARACT](#) – Rotaract

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### FOUNDATION OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD (2004-2005)

Chair – Matt Wahl (6/30/05)	<i>Other Voting Members:</i>	Gaven Hurley (6/30/06)
Club President – John Bernacki (6/30/05)	Ray Cornelius (6/30/05)	Jim Murphy (6/30/06)
Treasurer – Roger Zaenglein (life term)	Brian Marcellus (6/30/07)	Don Henderson (6/30/07)

*PITTSFORD ROTARY CLUB*

*INSTALLATION DINNER*

*AT LOCUST HILL COUNTRY CLUB*

*JUNE 29, 2005*

*5:30 - Cash Bar*

*6:15 - Dinner*

*The price of \$30 includes tax and tip*

*MENU*

*choice of entree*

*PRIME RIB, STUFFED CHICKEN, or SALMON  
tossed salad, potato or rice, vegetables, beverage & dessert*

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*Reservation Form*

*Please mark your selections, make your check payable to Pittsford Rotary Club, and send your reservations to Jim Cameron, 45 Callingham Road, Pittsford, NY 14534 by June 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

*\_\_\_\_\_ Prime Rib    \_\_\_\_\_ Stuffed Chicken    \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon*

*Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_*



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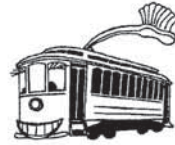
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