



The Accelerator



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER of THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD, NY

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June is Rotary Fellowships Month

Today's Rotary Team: Presiding: President Pat Mallery, Greeter/Invocation: Jim Cameron, Set up & Take down: Peter Crooker and Matt Wahl, Money Collection & Attendance: Kevin O'Grady, Sergeant-at-arms: Frank Burns, Happy Dollar Collection: Peter Crooker, Music: Lynn Freshman, song "It's a Small World".

Our Program, Richard Colby "Know Your Member"

Attendance: 27 members, 2 guests, 3 students, totaling 32 attendees. Guests and students include Lisa Fulmer (Pittsford Youth Services), Manuel Pontes Gestal, Pim Heijmans and Susan Cronin.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT: If you have an announcement to make at a club meeting please provide the details to the newsletter writers either by paper copy or by email to bruce@spectors.org .

Announcements:

The three LPGA concessions that Pittsford Rotary will support are the Sports Zone, the 10th hole and the 18th hole. We are no longer staffing concessions at the driving range, so Jeff Staples asked for help at the Sports Zone to extend to 5 p.m. Please contact Jeff, to help out.

By Friday, June 23, please pay Lynn Freshman for your place at the Installation Dinner to be held on June 28 at Locust Hill Country Club.

Pat Mallery read a letter from Jesse Hollenbeck, Town of Pittsford Recreation Supervisor, thanking us for our support of the third annual Pittsford Triathlon. There were 180 participants and 40 volunteers/staff.

Thomas Gunter-Kremers has been helping Cub Scout Pack 617 for many months. Now, we are asking for someone else to make a half-year commitment to 2 meetings per month. Please let Thomas or Pat know if you can help.

Jack Pickering announced 12.5 foursomes and 32 hole sponsors for the Pittsford Rotary Club Golf Scramble to be held at Shadow Lake on July 29. We need twenty-five foursomes to break even. The hope is to reach over fifty, a similar total to last year. \$110 includes lunch, golf, use of a golf cart and dinner. For dinner only, the cost is \$25. Please sign up !

Pat Mallery asked for volunteers to arrive at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 26 at the back entrance of Genesee Hospital, to collect medical supplies and load trailers so the supplies can be utilized around the world. Please contact Pat if you can help.

Camp Haccamo summer camper applications are still coming in, with the Camp 80% full for this summer. Counselor positions are almost completely filled. The Davenport-Hatch Foundation provided a \$15,000 grant for a generator to ensure availability of electricity. Camp Haccamo is asking Rotary members to sell Varsity Gold discount cards for \$10 each, with \$1 returned to Pittsford Rotary and \$5 benefiting Camp Haccamo. Please let Bruce Spector (249-7657) know how many discount cards you would like.

Mary Alice Price presented a check from Pittsford Rotary to Lisa Fulmer, representing Pittsford Youth Services, an organization which provides free and confidential social services for over 35 years. Lisa thanked Pittsford Rotary on behalf of the Board and staff of Pittsford Youth Services.

Pat Mallery presented Susan Cronin with a \$1000 Student Service Award. Susan, a Pittsford Mendon High School student, joined Interact as a freshman, and helped the club grow in size and stature. Susan was Vice President for Communications, and participated in many activities including Special Olympics, cooking Ronald McDonald House dinners and sorting medical supplies at Intervol. Susan exemplifies the characteristics of Interact and Rotary. She truly places service above self.



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Richard Colby, "Know Your Member"

Richard Colby grew up on a Spencerport farm, went to Cornell University, married in 1979 and has two children. Along the way, he has owned 14 cars, the first of which was a 1972 Maverick. His first driving test was sabotaged by a defective red light in Brockport. His second test was a breeze in Albion.



He then owned two Chevy C20 pickups. Richard was an exchange student in Brazil in 1973 and 1974. His host father was a road engineer, so they traveled far beyond downtown Sao Paolo. In 1974, Richard got a 1967 Impala from his grandfather, who had no idea why a radio should be in a car and thus took a \$60 credit to remove the radio option. Richard put in an 8-track player.



At Cornell, Richard initially had no car, but his Swedish student did. After owning a 1976 Saab 99, Richard bought his first new car, a 1978 Fiesta (made in Germany). The value and gasoline mileage did not draw the same response as a Corvette, but Richard and his wife married on Memorial Day weekend in 1979, despite a short in the fuse box that got him to church 10 minutes before the ceremony.



On their honeymoon in Europe, they bought a 1979 Saab 900, drove from Sweden to Denmark, Germany and Italy, then shipped the car home. Richard and his family lived in Connecticut, then New Jersey, then New York. The car license plates were often out of state or out of country, so Richard kept his ID, marriage license and pictures of his children to prove that his car was not stolen.



Next was a 1987 Celica 2-door that became Richard's because car seats did not fit in the back. The kids had fun in a 1993 Oldsmobile '98, especially when the car spun around during an accident with them safely in car seats. After repair, the back of the car tended to fill with rainwater. Then, a 1998 Toyota Sienna minivan met his

family's needs. A 1998 Prizm met Richard's needs. A 2000 Toyota Sienna followed. Then, Richard reached the point in his life when it was appropriate to purchase a 2006 Malibu Maxx with a sunroof.



Thanks to Richard Colby for sharing some highlights of his life.

Next week there will be no morning meeting on June 28. Instead, we will attend the Installation Dinner at Locust Hill Country Club.

HAPPY DOLLARS:

Pete Crooker: Fishing Derby made Brighton-Pittsford Post, LPGA work night, and Pat's great job as president for the past year
Bob Vukosic: Signs are going up for meeting times for Pittsford Rotary. Also, Bob went to the Little Theatre to see the movie narrated by Al Gore called "An Inconvenient Time". Go see it. It's about global warming (Jack Garner's rating was 10)
Jim Cameron: Congratulations to Richard Colby for a creative "Know Your Member" speech. We can drive away with this info.
Jim Murphy: no pin today, and to say let's all push for the golf tournament, it coming up fast and we all need to give it our effort
Pat Mallery: This Monday at 5 pm meet with us at the Genesee Hospital to help take surplus medical supplies for world use
Susan Cronin: Thank you Pittsford Rotary for the \$1000 school scholarship and also because she is graduating.

50/50 DRAWING: Jackpot \$17: Hank Ferris and Matt Wahl, rip those cards up...no ace!

ROTARY INFORMATION: Please check out <http://www.rotary.org/foundation/index.html>

OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

The April 2006 *District Newsletter* has been published in the [Rotary District 7120 website](http://www.Rotary7120.org/DistrictNewsletter.cfm). You may also read it on-line by visiting <http://www.Rotary7120.org/DistrictNewsletter.cfm>

UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CHAIRPERSONS – PLEASE SEND THE DETAILS OF YOUR EVENT – Date, Time, & Location.

JUNE	FELLOWSHIPS MONTH	
22-25	LPGA Concession Sales	
28	Installation Dinner at Locust Hill	
July 6	New Board Meeting at Amica Insurance	
29	Rotary Golf Tournament at Shadow Lake	

MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

If you know someone who would be an interesting speaker, contact Peter Crooker for scheduling.

DATE	SPEAKER	PROGRAM	GREETER
6/28/06		Changeover Dinner—Locust Hill CC, no breakfast	Gaven Hurley

HELPFUL ROTARY LINKS:

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

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