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JULY IS ROTARY LITERACY MONTH

Today's Rotary Team: Presiding – President Pat Mallery – Greeter & Invocation Bobbie Gardiner – Music Lynn Freshman – Set up & Take down help Bob Thompson – Money Collection & Attendance Kevin O'Grady – Sergeant-at-arms Frank Burns – Happy Dollar Collection?

Professor Alan Shank discusses Presidential Leadership - story below



Today's Attendance: 37 members, 1 Honorary Member, 2 visiting Rotarians & 2 guests. We welcomed Dave Ferris from Rochester, Ken Stedman from Geneseo, Shelly Rosenberg (our outgoing exchange student), and our speaker Alan Shank.

MEMBER NEWS

News

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

Pete Crooker is enjoying some time down Maine where he is surrounded by avid Red Sox fans and lobsters waiting for his pot. When Pete is MIA he is sorely missed as the guy who quietly does so many of the clubs logistics for each morning.

CLUB Attendance - Our attendance figure for May – **83 %** * Be sure you receive credit for your make-ups by either email or other notice to our club secretary (Russ Crook - crookra@frontiernet.net).



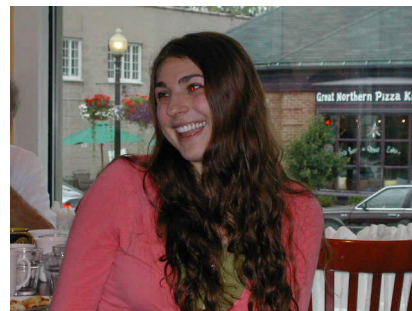
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 or a written note at the meeting will do.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Our focus right now is signing up foursomes. Get yours in and encourage others to do the same. The Early bird price of \$90 per golfer has been extended. They can use the \$10 they save to buy another raffle ticket!

ROTARY NIGHT AT THE RED WINGS JULY 23rd: Bob Thompson asked for ticket orders before July 8th.

EXCHANGE STUDENT UPDATES: Ken Steadman thanked Pittsford Rotary for our support of the Youth Exchange program. He described the increasing time required to process requests through the U. S. Visa system. Bob Vukosic said that an inbound student is expected from Tabasco, Mexico, but her participation is in jeopardy because she will be older than 18.5 years in September. Judge Cornelius asked Congressman John Kuhl for help.



THANKS FOR A SAFE NIGHT: Pat Mallery noted a Brighton-Pittsford Post ad placed by the junior and senior classes as Mendon High School, thanking Pittsford community organizations including Pittsford Rotary. The Post also recognized Sarah Nevarez and Harvey Williams for their volunteer work. They were instrumental in creating the Interact Club at Pittsford Sutherland High School. Pat added that InterVol, where Interact volunteers have spend many hours sorting medical supplies, is relocating to a building with heat in the winter. Also, InterVol warehouses are being set up in Syracuse and Buffalo.

SHELLY IS LEAVING FOR BRAZIL: Shelly Rosenberg thanked Pittsford Rotary for sending her to Brazil. She will attend the Joan of Arc School with the 15-year-old daughter of the host family who is a vegetarian, like Shelly. There are two cousins, ages 10 and 11, living with the family. Shelly will leave for Brazil on July 23 and begin school on August 1. The 17-year-old son of the host family will leave on August 11 for a Rotary-sponsored visit to Mexico.

IT'S DUES TIME: Your \$150 dues check was due on June 30th. If you haven't already sent your check to our new treasurer, Kevin O'Grady, please do so now. We have our bill in hand from Rotary International.

FEATURES



THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

MUSIC: Take me out to the Ball Game (in honor of Lynn's recent trip to Yankee Stadium to take in a game).

PROGRAM: Bob Vukosic introduced Alan Shank as a knowledgeable and engaging professor whose R.I.T. classes are in demand. Professor Shank spoke on the topic "Leadership: does it make a difference?" George Washington was one of the rare extraordinary Presidents, leading a loose collection of colonies toward nationhood. Abraham Lincoln restored the Union over objections within his own political party as well as the Confederacy. Franklin Delano Roosevelt led the nation out of the Great Depression, led the U.S. through the military challenges of WWII, then developed alliances and set the framework for the United Nations. In contrast, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush can be viewed as partially successful and partially unsuccessful Presidents. Clinton's terms were marked by the longest economic boom ever experienced in the American economy, though the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan was never voted on by Congress, and he was the second President to be impeached. George W. Bush succeeded in bringing the country together in response to the 9-11 attack, then invaded Iraq in an extension of the 9-11 response whose justification is yet to be supported by evidence of collusion between Saddam Hussein and the terrorists. With the increased polarization of national political opinions, millions of dollars have already been spent to influence selection of the next appointments to the Supreme Court. This is true, even before the President has selected a nominee. Professor Shank stated that a truly extraordinary leader serves a wide audience which includes supporters as well as people of opposing opinions. An ordinary leader, and there are many of them, will advance only the interests of those who advanced his/her election. Ordinary leaders are business as usual in Washington. An extraordinary leader can unite and inspire the nation.

(ED note) Luckily, Rotary promotes avoidance of political and religious discussions, with the obvious exception of Red Sox – Yankees, as they tend to be divisive. We thank Professor Shank for his interesting talk.

HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES: Jerry Vesling- family in from California, Tom Smith- happy to be a new member, Pat Mallery- for great success on wife's eye surgery (one more eye to go), Dave Welgin - \$3 happy to be here, and so sorry I couldn't hear the reasons, Bob Vukosic- A happy dollar for Shelly going to Brazil and grand daughter going to Europe, No pin happy dollars- Ed Francis, Kevin O'Grady, John Bernacki- A great trip for Shelly.

50/50 DRAWING: drawn by Shelly- Jim Cameron and Matt Wahl but no aces.

ROTARY INFORMATION: IT'S DUES TIME.

We received our Rotary International Dues bill recently. One line item, at \$1.00 per member, is to pay for the Council on Legislation. The Council on Legislation, Rotary's "parliament," meets every three years to deliberate and act upon all proposed enactments and resolutions submitted by a club, a district conference, the General Council or the Conference of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland, or the Rotary International Board. The Council itself also makes proposals. The most recent meetings were held in June of 2004 where 100 pieces of legislation were considered and 50 resolutions passed. Those resolutions became effective in July 2004 at which time the RI Constitution, By-laws, and standard club constitutions were updated.

The Council is composed of more than 500 representatives from every part of the Rotary world. Voting members include one elected representative of the clubs of each Rotary district. Non-voting members include members-at-large, the chairman and vice-chairman of the Council, and others, including the RI president and members of the RI Board and past RI presidents.

The Council first convened in 1934 as an integral part of that year's international convention in Detroit, Michigan, USA. In 1970, it was constituted as the legislative body of RI, no longer to function just in an advisory capacity. Actions of the Council are subject to review by all Rotary clubs prior to being incorporated into the *Manual of Procedure*.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "*Work Hard--Do your best--Keep your word--Never get too big for your britches--Trust in God--Have no fear--and Never forget a friend*" - **Harry S. Truman**

JUST FOR FUN: Deep Observations on Life

- When I die, I want to die like my grandfather--who died peacefully in his sleep. Not screaming like all the passengers in his car." - Author Unknown
- Advice for the day: If you have a lot of tension and you get a headache, do what it says on the aspirin bottle: "Take two aspirin" and "Keep away from children." - Author Unknown
- "Oh, you hate your job? Why didn't you say so? There's a support group for that. It's called EVERYBODY, and they meet at the bar." - Drew Carey
- "If a woman has to choose between catching a fly ball and saving an infant's life, she will choose to save the infant's life without even considering if there is a man on base." - Dave Barry
- "My Mom said she learned how to swim when someone took her out in the lake and threw her off the boat. I said, "Mom, they weren't trying to teach you how to swim." - Paula Poundstone
- "A study in the Washington Post says that women have better verbal skills than men. I just want to say to the authors of that study: "Duh." - Conan O'Brien
- "Why does Sea World have a seafood restaurant?? I'm halfway through my fish burger and I realize, Oh my God.... I could be eating a slow learner." - Lynda Montgomery
- "I think that's how Chicago got started. Bunch of people in New York said, 'Gee, I'm enjoying the crime and the poverty, but it just isn't cold enough. Let's go west.'" - Richard Jeni
- "If life were fair, Elvis would be alive and all the impersonators would be dead." - Johnny Carson
- "Bigamy is having one wife/husband too many. Monogamy is the same." - Oscar Wilde
- "Suppose you were an idiot ... And suppose you were a member of Congress... But I repeat myself." - Mark Twain

OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **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 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 –

30 July – ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE – Shadow Lake Golf & Racquet Club

1 August – Camp Haccamo Fireman's Band Concert (6:00 pm) As always this event will be in lieu of our regular weekly meeting. Please plan to attend if you can. No breakfast meeting on Wednesday August 3rd.

11 August – Camp Haccamo Carnival Night (6:00 pm – 8:00 pm) at the camp

MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

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

DATE	SPEAKER	PROGRAM	ORGANIZATION	GREETER
7/13/05	Ron Hira	Outsourcing America Know your member	RIT	Tom Gunter-Kremers
7/20/05	Ellen Weber Daan	Also – a visit from ADG Bob McGlynn	RC of Pittsford	Don Henderson
7/27/05	Braveman	New president of Nazareth College	Nazareth At Camp Haccamo –	Gaven Hurley
8/1/05	FIREMAN'S BAND	Annual Fireman's Band Concert & Dedication of the Lou Christakos garden The above at Camp Haccamo is our weekly meeting this week	6:00PM	Ben Johnson
8/3/05	NO MEETING Club		N/A	N/A
8/10/05	Assembly	Golf Scramble Report	RC of Pittsford	Ric Juskiewicz
8/17/05	TBD			Matt Kells
8/24/05	Curt Fey	Know your member	RC of Pittsford	Elthea King
8/31/05	Gil Landry	Elderberry Express of Pittsford Club Assembly & Address from District Governor	Town of Pittsford Rotary District 7120	Fred Kopp
10/5/05	Eric Parker			TBD


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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