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OCTOBER IS ROTARY VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Today's Rotary Team: Presiding – President Pat Mallery – Greeter & Invocation Jack Pickering – Music Lynn Freshman – Set up & Take down help Bob Thompson – Money Collection & Attendance Jim Kubarek – Sergeant-at-arms Frank Burns – Happy Dollar Collection Pete Crooker

Pittsford Schools are in Good Hands – Mary Alice Price reports on the “State of the Schools” - story below



Today's Attendance: 38 members, 1 Honorary Member, 3 Visiting Rotarians & 6 guests.

Visitors: Mark Bledsoe and his daughter Megan who traveled from Alaska. Mark presented our club with the banner of the Anchorage South Rotary Club which has 104 members. Also visiting were John Turner and Bob Sandholzer from Penfield Rotary (they cancelled their meeting for today), Marjorie Blieg from Brighton Rotary, Pim Heijmans our Rotary Youth Exchange Student, Bob Metzger from Canandaigua Rotary and prospective member Jack Bent.

MEMBER NEWS



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

Pittsford Rotary inducted Paul Stuart as our newest member. Paul is the Musical Director of the Equinox Symphony, which is performing on Saturday, November 5 at St. Louis Church at 7:30 p.m. Paul also teaches at Monroe Community College and participates in many other community activities. Welcome, Paul !



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.

Announcements:

Mike Doughty thanked the following people for distributing dictionaries at 4 of the 5 elementary schools in Pittsford: Tom Gunter-Kremers, Lynn Freshman, Jerry Gambino, Bob Vukosic, Peter Brizee, Peter Crooker, Gavin Hurley and Pat Mallery.

Brian Marcellus provided the following dates/times for Pittsford Rotary to provide four people to staff mall sales for LPGA tickets:

Saturday, December 3rd from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday, December 5th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturday, December 10th from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, December 14th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday, December 18th from 10 a.m. to noon

Tuesday, December 20th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Lynn Freshman asked us to sign up to help with the Halloween Fest on Sunday, October 30 at the St. John Fisher Field House. We will need 1 or 2 people to sort and pack food donations. Pat Mallery expects 20 to 25 Interact volunteers. This is an annual event sponsored by the Town of Pittsford, and the entrance fee is a food product for the Pittsford Food Cupboard.

Please consider attending the Rotary Leadership Institute on November 5, at the Inn on the Lake in Canandaigua. It is a fun-filled, day-long learning experience that can prepare you for leadership roles in Rotary, or simply provide insight into Rotary. Breakfast and lunch are included.

Matt Wahl presented the club with a \$100 check from Claire Brown from the proceeds of a coin sale. Bob Brown, who was a Past President of Pittsford Rotary, passed away last year. The Browns have been a special part of Pittsford Rotary for many years. Thank you, Claire.

Peter Crooker read a nice note from architectural firm Thomas Group, which is sponsoring a full-page ad in the Pancake Supper booklet for the third year in a row. Peter also provided Pancake Supper posters for display at job sites, houses of worship and other locales. The ad booklet is at the printers. Tickets were distributed for the Pancake Supper, and more are available from Ray Robbins. Please remit the money to Ray Robbins **no later than the evening of the Pancake Supper**. Also, bring unsold tickets that night, so they can be sold at the door. Sign-up sheets were passed around for duties at the Pancake Supper.

Peter Crooker is coordinating our help in sprucing up the house at 275 Westmoreland, preparing for a mother and 4 children from the New Orleans area who will be living there soon.

Pat Mallery attended the annual Camp Haccamo Presidents Night event, and noted that the organization is poised for significant forward progress, which will benefit from participation by more Rotarians, including YOU !

FEATURES



THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

MUSIC: "It's a Small World".

PROGRAM: Mary Alice Price provided an excellent State of Pittsford Schools presentation, including a copy of the first Pittsford Schools Annual Report. With scholastic performance among the highest in New York, Pittsford students not only participate in Advanced Placement programs, but they achieve high scores on the exams which result in college credit. There is a continuing challenge to ensure that today's programs will prepare students for the world that they will enter as graduates. Mary Alice recommended reading The World Is Flat which describes global work group collaboration that is becoming the norm. Eight new courses are being proposed for the coming years while adding a minimum of cost for books and materials. Since these new courses will not necessarily be offered every year, a four-year schedule will be provided to eighth graders so they can plan accordingly. Also, the world language program will be enhanced at the lower levels, with consideration of adding the Chinese language to the high school curriculum. Mary Alice praised the community service delivered by the students, with 77% of the Class of

2006 having contributed over 37,000 hours so far. And, what an amazing school district administration! Imagine the challenge of providing a top-ranked education, within cost constraints while working cooperatively with employees and unions to prepare students for the world of tomorrow. Many thanks to Mary Alice Price for the fine presentation – we're lucky to have her in our club and heading up our schools.

HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES: Bob Vukosic \$2- one for Mary Alice's presentation and also Mike Doughty for doing a great job in Pittsford Schools, the second is for a family member who was stuck for 2 hours in the ride "It's a small, small world" at Disneyworld (the song today was a special moment), Matt Wahl \$5- can't make the Pancake Supper because is going away for anniversary, Pat Mallery- no pin plus received \$2 scooter dollars from John Bernacki and Bill Smith, Ed Francis- \$2 no pin and special Olympics event, Gaven – a happy dollar for the Chicago White Sox, Paul Stewart-\$2- for becoming a new member of a great Rotary Club, and another for an Equinox Concert coming Nov 5, 7:30 pm St. Louis Church, Robyn McMaster- Welcome new member Paul to Rotary, Elthea \$5- Daughter becoming a Professor at the University of Rochester, Jerry Gambino- Notre Dame Win (go Irish!), John (guest Rotarian from Penfield)- A happy dollar because he liked our morning meeting and Club, Dennis- for Ken Smith coming to his door selling Pancake tickets, Don Henderson \$4- out some meetings and spending 9 months on the road (put 8,000 miles on mobile home), husbands decided to go on yacht trip to Florida during hurricane season (ouch), Mike Doughty- a happy dollar for going in 4 days to Marine marathon in Washington DC, Pete Crooker- \$2- a sad dollar for 2000 service people dying in Iraq, and a happy dollar for Pittsford making football sectionals.

50/50 DRAWING: up to \$49 (one of our guests) and Elthea tried, but no winning marble was drawn.

ROTARY INFORMATION: November is Rotary Foundation Month. There is way too much to put into our newsletter but a great resource is the RI web site. Check out <http://www.rotary.org/foundation/index.html> for a wealth of information. While you're checking out Rotary sites take a look at the District Web Site – it has a new look, and soon some new features – www.rotary7120.org .

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Beginning today, treat everyone you meet as if they were going to be dead by midnight. Extend to them all the care, kindness and understanding you can muster, and do with no thought of any reward. Your life will never be the same again. - **Og Mandino**

JUST FOR FUN: IT'S ALMOST TIME TO VOTE – AND YOU'RE IN GOOD COMPANY...
These are all Voters - We're in more trouble than I imagined!

While looking at a house, my brother asked the real estate agent which direction was north because, he explained, he didn't want the sun waking him up every morning. She asked, "Does the sun rise in the North?" When my brother explained that the sun rises in the east, (and has for some time), she shook her head and said, "Oh, I don't keep up with that stuff." She votes!

I used to work in technical support for a 24x7 call center. One day I got a call from an individual who asked what hours the call center was open. I told him, "The number you dialed is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week." He responded, "Is that Eastern or Pacific time?" Wanting to end the call quickly, I said, "Uh, Pacific."He also votes!

So my colleague and I were eating our lunch in our cafeteria, when we overheard one of the admin assistants talking about the sunburn she got on her weekend drive to the shore. She drove down in a convertible, but "didn't think she'd get sunburned because the car was moving." She also votes!

My sister has a lifesaving tool in her car. It's designed to cut through a seatbelt if she gets trapped. She keeps it in the trunk. My sister also votes!

My friends and I were on a beer run and noticed that the cases were discounted 10%. Since it was a big

party, we bought 2 cases. The cashier multiplied 2 times 10% and gave us a 20% discount. . . . He also votes!

I was hanging out with a friend when we saw a woman with a nose ring attached to an earring by a chain. My friend said, "Wouldn't the chain rip out every time she turned her head?"

I explained that a person's nose and ear remain the same distance apart no matter which way the head is turned. . . . My friend also votes!

My girlfriend and I were picking up some sandwiches from the sub place last week and she asked the clerk which of two sandwiches was better. The clerk didn't have an opinion but did say that the first sandwich was more expensive. My girlfriend got a quizzical look on her face and asked, "If that's the case, why are they both listed with the same price on the menu?" To this, the clerk responded, "I don't think we add tax to the turkey." The clerk also votes!

I couldn't find my luggage at the airport baggage area. So I went to the lost luggage office and told the woman there that my bags never showed up. She smiled and told me not to worry because she was a trained professional and I was in good hands. "Now," she asked me, "has your plane arrived yet?". . . . She also votes!

OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **Nov 05 - Avon Rotary Auction** - Preview at 8:30 AM, auction starts at 9:30 AM. New merchandise, gift certificates and quality used merchandise. No admission, no buyer's premium.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

OCTOBER	VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH	
30 - Sun.	Pittsford Halloween Fest	Lynn Freshman & Pat Mallery
NOVEMBER	ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH	
3 - Thurs.	Board of Directors Meeting	Club President
5 - Nov.	Rotary Leadership Institute - Canandaigua	Club President
8 - Tues.	Pancake Dinner/WWII Vets Tribute	Fundraising
8 - Wed.	Foundation Board Meeting (at Pancake Supper)	Foundation Board Chair
TBD	Pittsford Musicals	Club Service
TBD	Ronald MacDonald – 275 Westmoreland St. House Fall Cleanup	Community Service- Outside Pittsford

DECEMBER	FAMILY MONTH	
1 - Thurs.	Board of Directors Meeting	Club President
6 - Wed.	Candle Light Night – Salvation Army pots	Community Service- Pittsford
14 - Wed.	Foundation Board Meeting	Foundation Board Chair
TBD	Holiday Pops Concert	Club Service
TBD	New Member Orientation	Club Service
TBD	Club Holiday Party	Club Service
TBD	19 Church Street Christmas Dinner @ Camp Haccamo	Community Service- Pittsford
TBD	Operation Food Basket	Community Service- Outside Pittsford
TBD	LPGA Ticket Sales	

MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

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

DATE	SPEAKER	PROGRAM	ORGANIZATION	GREETER
11/02/05	Steve Chartrand / Shannon Barfield	What is 19 Church Street?	ARC of Monroe County	Bill Pieper
11/09/05		NO MEETING DUE TO PANCAKE SUPPER ON 11/08/05		N/A
11/16/05	Robyn McMaster	Know Your Member Club Assembly – Wrap-up of the Pancake Supper	Pittsford Rotary	Dennis Price
11/23/05	Pat Mallery	Van Huysen Senior Center, 3750 Monroe Ave. – THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE SENIOR CENTER	Pittsford Rotary	Mary Alice Price
11/30/05	Kathy Johnson	EVENING MEETING – Christmas Party at Camp Haccmo for Church Street Residents	Van Huysen Senior Center	Ray Robbins
12/07/05	N/A		Pittsford Rotary	N/A

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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Chair – Gaven Hurley (6/30/06)	<i>Other Voting Members:</i>	Don Henderson (6/30/07)
Club President – Pat Mallery (6/30/06)	Jim Murphy (6/30/06)	Rick Haverty (6/30/08)
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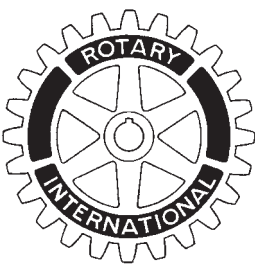


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