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JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

Club Annual Meeting – New Officers Elected & President Bernacki leads a report on the state of the club. - story below



VISITING ROTARIANS / GUESTS: C.J. Bulen from the Nunda Club (and the Sweet Adelines)

ATTENDANCE – 29 members, 0 guest, 1 visiting Rotarian and 1 Honorary Member

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

MEMBER NEWS

News

MORE SNOW MEANS MORE BIRDS: Beans and Sue Bement are heading to sunshine land this week even though it's heating up in Rochester. We'll miss you at the meetings Beans – be sure to tell Bob we miss him too! The real reason these guys go south is to begin their spring training for our annual golf tournament.

LEADERS LIST CORRECTION: For reasons unknown Ken Smith was left off the leaders list under Rotary Foundation Permanent Fund. Make no mistake about it, Ken is still in that role.

CLUB Attendance - Our attendance figure for November – 93 % * **Please note the attendance number is up due to some corrections in our membership roles but also due to better make-up reporting. Be sure you receive credit for your make-ups by either email or other notice to our club secretary (Jim Cameron - 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 7:00pm Wednesday evening for that week's edition. Email rhaverty@rochester.rr.com or a written note at the meeting will do.

SLATE OF OFFICERS VOTED IN: This morning's annual meeting included the election of offices for next year (Rotary year 2005-2006 begins on July 1st). The nominating committee headed by our President-Elect Pat Mallery put forward the slate at our November 24th meeting. They were officially accepted by the club today as follows:

Lynn Freshman – President-Elect * Peter Crooker - Vice President * Bob Thompson - Club Service
Mary Alice Price - Vocational Service * Bob Vukosic - International Service * Ed Francis - Community Service (Pittsford) * Bill Pieper - Community Service (Outside Pittsford) * Peggy Martin – Fundraising
Kevin O'Grady – Treasurer * Russ Crook – Secretary

Additionally we re-elected our president-elect, Pat Mallery, so he can be president instead of just president-elect. Did you follow that?

Rick Haverty & Ric Juskiewicz - Foundation Board (2005/6-2007/8)

ROTARY HOCKEY NIGHT IN ROCHESTER: Our District will be having a night out at the Amerk's game on Saturday February 5th. The game begins at 7:35. Premium seats – the best in the house - are available for \$10 per ticket (regular price is \$19). It's a great chance for Rotarians and family members to get out and root for the local heroes. Rick Haverty will collect ticket money until January 15th – please complete an order form or see Rick (email – rhaverty@rochester.rr.com phone: 586-6384).



BEANS MAKES ANNOUNCEMENTS BEFORE HEADING SOUTH: Beans received a thank you note from 19 Church Street for the recent Christmas party at Camp Haccamo. He also mentioned that he and Gerry Vesling are the first hole sponsors for our golf tournament. Gerry reminded everyone that they too can sponsor a hole (or find a business who will).

DISTRICT 7120 MILT MATTHEWS GOVERNOR ELECT HOSPITALITY PROGRAM: (From the desk of Bob Vukosic) District 7120 is having a Hospitality Program for international Rotary guests in February and is seeking host families. A total of 32 host families are needed from the district. The hosting opportunities are for 4 days during one of the following two time periods:

- Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2005 to Sunday, February 13 (Recommended for hosts more than one hour drive from the Rochester Airport)
- Sunday, February 13 to Thursday, Feb. 17, 2005

The Hosting options are:

- Full time host: - house and entertain guests for four days
- Part time host: - house guests for four days but need some assistance entertaining guests during the day
- Day time host: - assist part time hosts by entertaining guests during the day.

The guests are from England, India, Sri Lanka, Peru, Argentina, Paraguay, Columbia, Australia, New Zealand. For further information contact Bob Vukosic (381-5706) or rukosic@aol.com. The district would like to identify all host families by December 24, 2004.

PAUL HARRIS NOMINATIONS AND DONATIONS: Paul Harris nominations are open. Your nomination can be anyone from our community – they don't have to be a club member. Of course, your Paul Harris donation is welcome as well.



FEATURES



THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

MUSIC: “Let There be Peace on Earth.” Not an easy song to sing that early in the morning!

PROGRAM: The Club’s annual meeting was held this morning and started off with election of offices (see details in the Announcements section) The election was followed by a report from President John Bernacki and various club leaders. Pat Mallery spoke about Interact and covered all their activities. He covered some of their fund raising efforts as well as many of the service projects – and they do a lot! It was sort of an Interact annual report. Jim Kubarek gave a finance report for the club operations. In a nutshell the operating account is almost \$2,000 in the black. That is a good target for year end as it provides a small cushion for expenses that come in before next year’s dues are all collected. Jim Cameron gave a membership report. We have 50 active members and 5 honorary members as of this date. Bruce Spector reviewed activities with Camp Haccamo. He handed out the Camp’s December board minutes and discussed activities underway at the camp. Brian Marcellus provided a report on the LPGA tournament and noted our involvement. This year \$175,000 went from the tournament to Camp Haccamo and another \$175,000 to the Sunshine Camp. Gaven spoke about pre-paid breakfasts and the Taste of Pittsford on Monday March 21st. There will be 350 tickets available at \$40. Pete Crooker will talk about the Pancake supper and golf tournament next week.

Not lost in all this is the great work done by all of those members in their various areas. Many Happy Dollars were given for their efforts later in the meeting. Thanks to all of you – none of these jobs are easy and sometimes – especially those done behind the scenes – aren’t fully appreciated.



HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES: Pete Crooker noted today is his 42nd wedding anniversary. Ken Smith had his two grandchildren here for Christmas. Bob Vukosic gave for the Interact activities Pat reported on and for Bruce’s work at Haccamo. Ed Francis also gave for Pat & Interact. Curt Fey paid in for his trip to St. Petersburg, Russia – we should hear more about that one of these days. Beans Bement for Pat’s work and for his upcoming trip to Florida. Gerry put in for a good meeting today. Bruce Spector for a make-up in St. Martins (actually he just saw the Rotary sign there – it’s the thought that counts?) Matt Wahl & Elthea King for all the good work reported in today’s meeting. Pat Mallery gave for Bruce’s involvement with Camp Haccamo.

50/50 DRAWING: With the pot up to \$130. Ray and Gerry had their numbers drawn, but didn’t pull an ace. Lynn added a new twist this morning by playing heads or tails (a game she learned in bawdy England). Tom Kremers won his breakfast back! (\$10).

ROTARY INFORMATION: ROTARY WORLD HEADQUARTERS:

The headquarters of Rotary International always has been in the area of Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. First it was in Chicago itself, but in 1954 an attractive new building opened in suburban Evanston. The Ridge Avenue building met the needs of the Rotary Secretariat until the 1980s when the addition of new programs, the growth of The Rotary Foundation, and the new PolioPlus activities made the headquarters building extremely crowded and required some staff members to be housed in supplementary office space nearby. When a modern 18-story office building became



available in downtown Evanston in 1987, it appeared to meet all of Rotary's space and expansion needs for years to come. The glass and steel structure, built in 1977, provides 400,000 square feet of office and usable space. The building was purchased by Rotary International, which leases approximately two-thirds of the space to commercial tenants, until needed by future Rotary growth.

The building provides a 190-seat auditorium, large parking garage and 300-seat cafeteria, as well as functional office space for the 400 employees of the world headquarters. The executive suite on the 18th floor includes conference rooms for the RI board and committee meetings, in addition to the offices for the RI president, president-elect and general secretary.

One Rotary Center, as it is called, will enhance the efficient operations of Rotary International for many years to come.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Should auld acquaintance be forgot And never brought to mind?... We'll tak a cup o'kindness yet, For auld lang syne. - **Robert Burns** (1759–1796), Scottish poet. Auld Lang Syne, First two and last two lines of chorus (1796). This traditional New Year's Eve song is one adapted by Burns from older poems and songs. "Auld Lang Syne" means "old long since" or "long ago."

JUST FOR FUN: Start the New Year off with these old jokes...

ALTERNATE MEANINGS FOR COMMON WORDS:

Coffee (n.), a person who is coughed upon.

Flabbergasted (adj.), appalled over how much weight you have gained.

Abdicate (v.), to give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.

Circumvent (n.), the opening in the front of boxer shorts.

Esplanade (v.), to attempt an explanation while drunk.

Negligent (adj.), describes a condition in which you absentmindedly answer the door in your nightie.

Lymph (v.), to walk with a lisp.

Gargoyle (n.), an olive-flavored mouthwash.

Flatulence (n.) the emergency vehicle that picks you up after you are run over by a steamroller.

Balderdash (n.), a rapidly receding hairline.

Rectitude (n.), the formal, dignified demeanor assumed by a proctologist immediately before he examines you.

Oyster (n.), a person who sprinkles his conversation with Yiddish expressions.



OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **February 5** Rotary Clubs of Wayne County are having our 6th Annual Spelling Bee at Eastview Mall, Bon-Ton Court, 10am. The beneficiary is Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County. Emailto:ROTARY4BILL@msn.com
- **February 5** District Night at the Rochester Amerk's Game
- **February 9-17** Milt Matthews Governors-Elect Hospitality Program
- **February 23** Centennial Day- all clubs in district meet this day
- **March 18-19** Multi-District PETS (Wyndham Hotel, Syracuse)
- **April 15-17** District Conference (Kutsher's Golf Resort, Monticello, NY)
- **April 30** District Assembly (8:30AM, Honeoye Central School)
- **June 19-22** Rotary International Convention (Chicago, IL)
- **June 26** District Changeover Dinner

TSUNAMI RELIEF EFFORTS BY ROTARY !!!

South Asia — Tsunami

South Asia was the worst hit region, with more than 33,000 deaths reported as of 28 December. International aid has begun reaching survivors of tsunamis that swept across the Indian Ocean from Thailand to Somalia and relief workers are now in a race against time to prevent other people from dying of disease and starvation. Below is contact information to contribute to relief efforts:

Sri Lanka:

[Gehan de Alwis](#), Rotary Club of Colombo Regency, c/o Omega Technologies (Private) Limited, # 618 ½, Galle Road, Colombo 3, Sri Lanka (Office), Mobile/Text: + 94 77 7368820; alternate e-mail: gehan77@hotmail.com. The club has also set up a relief Web site at www.relieforsrilanka.blogspot.com. Additionally, www.lankafood.com has set up a site for purchasing donations online. Donations will be routed to the Rotary Club of Colombo Regency to help the affected areas. India: Send checks to "RI District 3000, c/o Governor M. Elangovan, M D., Hotel Sevana, Tiruchirapalli 620 001." For additional details, contact: Sd.Prof R Panchanadhan, District Secretary, RI District 3000, No 5, 9th Cross, 7th Main, Srinivasanagar, Tiruchirapalli 620 017.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

On-Going –

- Pittsford Food Cupboard, 2-hour shifts on Tuesdays or Fridays between 10:00am and 2:00pm and special events.

December – LPGA Ticket Sales at Marketplace Mall – See Bob Thompson

5 February – DISTRICT AMERK’S GAME – Saturday night – see Rick Haverty

21 March – A TASTE OF PITTSFORD – Monday evening at Nazareth

MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

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

Attendance Assignments: January - Curt Fey * February - Jack Pickering * March - Peggy Martin * April – TBD * May - Doug Trolley * June – TBD

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
1/5/05	Bruce Spector Jason	Know Your Member	Rotary Club of Pittsford	Brian Marcellus
1/12/05	Richardson S. Ahmed	Nazareth College Rotaract Automated External Defibrillators Save	Rotaract	Peggy Martin
1/19/05	Mustafa	Lives	Team AED	Jim Murphy


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)



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