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FEBRUARY IS ROTARY WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

Bob Maney – The LPGA benefits our Rotary Camps in a BIG way

- story below

VISITING ROTARIANS / GUESTS: Tom Welgen from Fairport. Fred Blum – guest of Jim Murphy. Our outgoing exchange student Shelly Rosenberg and her father Paul. Dave Ferris from Fairport.



ATTENDANCE – 30 members, 3 guests, 2 visiting Rotarians and 0 Honorary Members

MEMBER NEWS



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

We heard all about Peter Bernacki last week – here's a recent photo (right) of Peter with his support group – Julie and John.

CLUB Attendance - Our attendance figure for December – **82 %** * **That meeting between the holidays pulled us down some. 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 noon Wednesday for that week's edition. Email rhaverty@rochester.rr.com or a written note at the meeting will do.

TASTE OF PITTSFORD TICKETS ON SALE: Gaven has noted that we've sold about 150 tickets, but very few club members have purchased their own yet. Remember there are only 350 available. See Lynn Freshman if you need tickets.

CAMP HACCAMO BOARD POSITIONS OPEN: Camp Haccamo is accepting nominations for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you, or someone you know might be interested, please contact Rick Haverty. The term for these positions runs from July 2005 to June 2007. Haccamo has come a long way in the last couple of years – these are not bad positions and your camp needs you!

DICTIONARY PROJECT: All third grade students in Pittsford have received their dictionaries. Mike Doughty, who headed the effort this year, read an amusing note from one of the third graders. He also thanked Lynn Freshman, Gaven Hurley, Jack Pickering, and Bob Vukosic for their help in distributing the books. Thanks to Mike for his time, effort, and a place to store the cases of dictionaries – Gaven was happy to have them out of his garage this year!

OUR OUTGOING EXCHANGE STUDENT: Shelly Rosenburg was with us this morning. She is going to Brazil next fall as our out-going exchange student. A senior at Sutherland High School, she is president of the drama club and has training in French, Spanish, and Latin. Shelly looks forward to learning a little Portuguese and experiencing the culture of Brazil.

PITTSFORD ROTARY APPAREL: Peter Crooker announced the availability of Pittsford Rotary apparel. Today he featured a dark blue visor for \$15. If you would like on please see Pete.

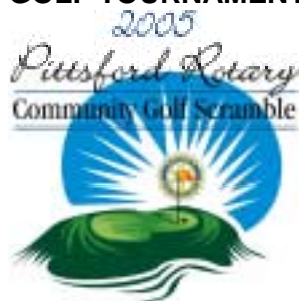
TSUNAMI RELIEF: Some additional people brought in clothing for the Tsunami relief drive. Donations are welcome – Pat Mallery will transport items from our meeting to InterVol for shipment.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMING UP: This year's District Conference will be held from April 15-17, 2005. The Conference is a social event and will be held at Kutsher's Golf Resort, Monticello, NY. We were told that is where many prize fighters had once trained. The beginning of an article from Jewish World Review states; "It's lunchtime at Kutsher's, and I'm puzzling over the menu. Should I have the Chilled Gefilte Fish Platter, the Hungarian Veal Paprikash with Spatzle, the Crispy Potato Pancakes with Apple Sauce, or the Chopped Vegetarian Liver Platter with Crackers?" The resort features pools, a health club, a golf course (weather permitting), an indoor skating rink, and Las Vegas style entertainment (you figure out what that means). A registration form can be found on the district web site -



<http://www.rotary7120.org/Conference/Conf2005.htm> . The registration fee is \$45 per couple and accommodations are available for from as low as \$375 (single) to a deluxe double rate of \$522. The rates are "all inclusive" – meals, cocktail hours, Rotary events, wine tasting, and rooms. For details please visit the District web site.

GOLF TOURNAMENT UPDATE: Gerry Vesling reported a slew of new hole sponsors. The newest additions are; Pittsford Federal Credit Union, Remax Realty Group - Billy Pieper & Jim Kubarek, Don Allen Insurance -- Arthur Fitelson, Davie Kaplan Chapman & Braverman, Ray Wager –CPA, Fred Gallina, and Harris, Beach, LLP. There's also a "check in the mail" from Dennis Price for Nothnagle, but Gerry doesn't want to report that until next week (a double dip). That brings our total to 29 so far. Thanks to all our club members who have participated or helped and what a great job Gerry is doing! I guess we have the right guy on the task.



FEATURES



THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

MUSIC: Lynn led us in “You are my Sunshine” in honor of Groundhog Day.

PROGRAM: Lynn introduced Bob Maney, President of Monroe County Disabled Children and Tournament Director for the Rochester LPGA. Bob filled us in on the benefits of the LPGA tournament. Last year the Rotary camps received \$125,000 each. This year they will receive \$175,000, and next year \$200,000. Regardless of how the tournament itself does, Wegman’s has guaranteed this level of funding for the camps. He expects we will have a top notch field again this year including Anika Sorenstam. Interestingly, Anika is sponsored by Kraft and they are a large supplier for Wegman’s. Our week is set to the week before the Women’s US Open – an advantage because most players will want to come to Rochester to prepare for the championship. Once again Bob Wegman is leasing a plane to fly the players from Rochester to Denver (site of this year’s US Open) after the Rochester event. Our car sponsor, Lincoln Motors, is stepping down as presenting sponsor. The tournament is looking for a new “presenting sponsor” at a price of \$500,000 to \$1 million. The LPGA proceeds provide well over 50% of the operating revenue for Camp Haccamo (see today’s Rotary information below). It deserves our full attention and best efforts. Our club is responsible for a work-night before the tournament and to provide volunteers to work during the tournament. We also have a number of members who are involved in other duties throughout the year. Bob noted that on the whole the volunteer base is aging and the tournament has been a little light on volunteers. Thanks to Bob for spending some time with us this morning, but also for his great dedication and effort on behalf of the Disabled Children of Monroe County and our Rotary camps.



HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES: Jerry Gambino for the Notre Dame over Syracuse win he’s predicting. Billy Pieper went to Costa Rica with lovely wife Sharon. Gerry Vesling noted that this morning’s speaker, Bob Maney, has been a hole sponsor at our tournament for years. Pat Mallery gave one for Bob Maney as well. Gaven Hurley gave for the LPGA coming up with a door prize or two for the Taste of Pittsford. Jim Murphy gave for his guest, Fred Blum, being in the news. Jim wouldn’t say what that news was, we’d have to watch for it (in today’s Brighton-Pittsford Post perhaps?). Brian Marcellus, long time LPGA super-volunteer, also chipped in a buck for Bob Maney. Pete Crooker make the last donation of the morning for an Illinois over Michigan State win.

50/50 DRAWING: The pot is up to \$254. The first chance went to Russ Crook who drew a nine of clubs. The second chance – a consecutive ticket – also went to Russ and he blew it again. Bigger pot next week.

ROTARY INFORMATION: OUR ROTARY CAMP - HACCAMO

The Rotary Clubs of Monroe County run two camps – Haccamo and the Sunshine Camp. They are very different in operation and purpose. Our club is aligned with Camp Haccamo and is supported by a total of 15 Rotary Clubs, a 50% share of the LPGA proceeds, the United Way, and a few other sources. The 15 clubs are Brighton, Brockport, East Rochester, Fairport, Gates-Chili, Greece, Hilton, Honeoye Falls-Mendon, Irondequoit, Penfield, Pittsford, Rush-Henrietta, Scottsville, Spencerport, and Webster. The LPGA contribution last year amounted to 58% of the camp’s \$225,000 budget. The combined Rotary club contributions made up about 13% with another 11% coming from private donations. The United way provided about 5% (\$10,000) with the remainder coming for a variety of sources. About 60% of the camp’s expenses are salaries. Camp Haccamo provides free one and two week programs – a total of six sessions over eight weeks each summer. It is open to children and young adults with disabilities (this past year the range was from about 6 years old to 28 years old). This includes learning disabilities, autism, Cerebral Palsy, and a long list of others. The week or two at camp includes overnight accommodations in cabins that were built by and are maintained by the 15 Rotary clubs. There is typically one councilor to

each two campers – a ratio that is required due to the severe level of some of the disabilities. A nursing staff is on duty for the dispensing of medicines and for general care.

So what good does it do? The obvious answer is that it gives the campers a special treat, a once a year (or in some cases once in a lifetime) chance to experience some things they wouldn't otherwise have an opportunity to experience. That alone is fantastic, but there's much more. The families of the campers also benefit with a one or two week respite from their constant duties in the care of their child or young adult. Think what that would mean to you or your family? Then there are the councilors. These young people are learning about what they want to do in life and the opportunity to work at a place like Camp Haccamo leads many of them into a career of caring for and working with special needs people. Lastly, it makes us Rotarians feel pretty darn good that we can participate in such a worthwhile cause!

In the 2004 camp season there were 357 campers served (about 60 per session). A dozen of them were Pittsford residents and all but 42 were from Monroe County. Of the 40 councilors one was from Pittsford. During the off-season the camp is rented out for use by groups. This past year a total of 23 groups made use of the camp's facilities bringing in fees of about \$6,000. Among the groups this year were the Pittsford Cub Scouts, Holy Cross Church, Temple Beth Kodish, and several groups that ran camps – Camp Honeoye, Camp Bronco, and others. Our club also makes use of the camp to host our annual Christmas party for the Church street ARC residents. If you haven't been to Camp Haccamo you owe yourself a trip. It's behind the Nalge Nunc factory off Panorama Trail in Penfield. We'll be taking a much greater part in work efforts at Camp Haccamo this year as we try to whip the "Field of Dreams" ball field into shape. Be on the lookout for sign-up sheets in the spring.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: *"Trouble is a part of your life, and if you don't share it, you don't give the person who loves you a chance to love you enough."* - **Dinah Shore**

JUST FOR FUN: A few fun quips from Bob Vukosic... WHY WE LOVE CHILDREN:

NUDITY - I was driving with my three young children one warm summer evening when a woman in the convertible ahead of us stood up and waved. She was stark naked! As I was reeling from the shock, I heard my 5-year-old shout from the back seat, "Mom! That lady isn't wearing a seat belt!"

HONESTY - My son Zachary, 4, came screaming out of the bathroom to tell me he'd dropped his toothbrush in the toilet. So I fished it out and threw it in the garbage. Zachary stood there thinking for a moment, then ran to my bathroom and came out with my toothbrush. He held it up and said with a charming little smile, "We better throw this one out too then, 'cause it fell in the toilet a few days ago."

KETCHUP - A woman was trying hard to get the ketchup to come out of the jar. During her struggle the phone rang so she asked her 4-year-old daughter to answer the phone. "It's the minister, Mommy," the child said to her mother. Then she added, "Mommy can't come to the phone to talk to you right now. She's hitting the bottle."

MORE NUDITY - A little boy got lost at the YMCA and found himself in the women's locker room. When he was spotted, the room burst into shrieks, with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover. The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, "What's the matter haven't you ever seen a little boy before?"

SCHOOL - A little girl had just finished her first week of school. "I'm just wasting my time," she said to her mother. "I can't read, I can't write and they won't let me talk!"

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 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

UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

On-Going –

- 5 February – DISTRICT AMERK'S GAME** – Saturday night – see Rick Haverty
- 17 February – Ronald McDonald House Dinner** – see Bobbie Gardiner
- 15 March - Ronald McDonald House Dinner** – see Bobbie Gardiner
- 21 March – A TASTE OF PITTSFORD** – Monday evening at Nazareth
- 7 May – KID'S FISHING DERBY** – Powder Mill Park

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
2/9/05	Jeffery Mailloux	Pittsford Schools Foundation	Pittsford Central Schools	Bill Pieper
2/16/05	Jack Pickering	Know Your Member	Pittsford Rotary	Mary Alice Price
2/23/05	Gaven Hurley	ROTARY'S 100 th ANNIVERSARY Volunteer Director form the ARC of Monroe County	Pittsford Rotary ARC of Monroe County	Ken Smith
3/2/05	Jackie Steiner			Dave Spaker

HELPFUL ROTARY LINKS:

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

<http://www.rotary7120.org/> - Our District
[NAZARETH ROTARACT](#) – Rotaract

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Chair – Matt Wahl (6/30/05)	Other Voting Members:	Gaven Hurley (6/30/06)
Club President – John Bernacki (6/30/05)	Ray Cornelius (6/30/05)	Jim Murphy (6/30/06)
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