



The Accelerator



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER of THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD, NY

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FEBRUARY IS ROTARY WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

Today's Rotary Team: Presiding: President Pat Mallery, Greeter and Invocation: Matt Wahl, Set up & Take down: Peter Crooker, Money Collection & Attendance: Kevin O'Grady, Sergeant-at-arms: Frank Burns, Song: Lynn Freshman: "Happy Birthday" to George Washington.

Our Program: "GSE to Sweden", Kristen Miranda

Attendance: 26 members, 3 guests, 2 visitors, 1 honorary member, a total of 32 persons. Guests: Jill Crooker (wife of Peter Crooker), Ken Steadman (Geneva Rotary), Dave Ferris (Rochester Rotary), and prospective member Jeff McLeod.



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:

On March 1 and thereafter, Pittsford Rotary meetings will be held at the Pittsford Community Library. Please see Peter Crooker to volunteer for set-up, which will take more time than at Hicks & McCarthy.

The Free Throw Contest will be on March 4 at Pittsford Sutherland High School gym. There will be a sign-up sheet next week, because we need 12 Rotarians to help, adding to 8 Interact members. Registration is at 8:15 a.m., the Free Throw Contest begins at 9 a.m. and we must be out of the gym by noon. There is no fee to register. There will be trophies for the most baskets. There will be boys and girls divisions, with separate winners for Grades 6-8, Grades 9-10 and Grades 11-12.

Bruce Spector reports that the new Camp Managers are doing a fine job of preparing for the summer season at Camp Haccamo. Rotarians, there is a Wish List at <http://www.camphaccamo.org/WishList.htm> where needed items and skills are listed. Let's try to help out. Thank you!

Brian Marcellus thanked Bill Pieper and Paul Stuart for joining him to sell LPGA tickets on Friday 2/17 at Marketplace Mall. Wegmans offered a challenge to the Rotary clubs in our area. The club selling the most tickets will win \$1000. Also, for every 100 Hall of Fame passes sold, a club will win \$1000.

Pat Mallery thanked manager Paul Elkins for the fine hospitality at Hicks & McCarthy since January, 2001. They provided good food and storage space, they showed understanding allowing us to tape items to windows, and cleaned up the handouts and debris that we left. Thanks, Hicks & McCarthy !

Gaven Hurley reports 260 tickets sold for the Taste of Pittsford. The printing is done and Channel 12 has an ad at 10 minutes past each hour. After the meeting, Dennis Price told Gaven that Nothnagle Realtors will sponsor valet parking at Taste of Pittsford, with a \$450 donation. Thanks for the great news !

FEATURES



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Kristen Miranda, "GSE to Sweden"

Kristen Miranda, WHAM 13 reporter, had a wonderful time in Sweden last year, participating in a Rotary International Group Study Exchange. Led by Rotarian John Hall, Kristen was one of four non-Rotarians who attended 22 meetings, lived in 7 homes, a hotel and youth hostel. The team enhanced understanding between our nations, studied how news professionals work in Sweden, and learned about Rotary. The host families were very nice, the scenery beautiful and the food plentiful. A typical day started with a breakfast meeting with cinnamon rolls, then a lunch meeting, then a mid-afternoon snack and a smorgasbord. Kristen learned that there are 8 kinds of herring. There were vocational visits to television stations, radio stations, newspapers and a public relations firm. There are 6 television channels in Sweden, and the most popular is a public channel with no commercials. The technology is first rate, the news rooms look the same, reporters dress more casually, the sets are not as flashy as ours, and the presentation is less chatty than U.S. newcasts. There were side trips to many scenic areas on the coast, and even a stop in Stockholm. Kristen enjoyed her time in Sweden, and we thank her for sharing.

50/50: Neither Fred Kopp nor Brian Marcellus won the jackpot when their numbers were chosen.

HAPPY DOLLARS:

Gaven Hurley : Thanks for a good series of meetings at Hicks & McCarthy

Russ Crook \$2 : Nazareth Rotaract had a good recent meeting and is making great progress

Matt Wahl \$2 : no pin and great speaker

Brian Marcellus : Thanks to Billy Pieper and Paul Stuart for helping him with mall ticket sales for LPGA

Jack Bent : missed a few weeks and glad to be back

Ken Steadman : now a new grandparent

Bill Pieper : the ambulance service helped out the family and did a great job

Pat Mallery \$2 : for Ed Francis and also a tribute to Hicks & McCarthy for doing a great job

Ray Robbins \$2 : in 1942 for shooting a deer illegally to have food, also anniversary of sinking of battleship "Maine"

Bob Vukosic : first grandson on his way (so far it's been all girls)

Rick Juskiewicz : just back from Boston seeing old friends, and also it's been about a year ago when Rick had a heart attack but feel much better now, and thanks to all for their help

Jim Murphy \$5 : for Tom Anderson, who donated toward the Ed Francis memorial fund and put money in a fund for the Ed Francis bench that the foundation is working on

Paul Stuart : for Kristen's speech

Roger- went to Pittsburgh to visit grandchildren

Peter Crooker- happy that his wife Jill joined our group as a guest today

Rotary Members Night with the Amerks, Saturday, March 11, 2006, Rochester Americans vs. Manitoba Moose, 7:35 pm, Blue Cross Arena , First 2,500 fans can receive a special Amerks Wooden Mini Hockey Stick. Special Rotarian Discount: \$10 Tickets! (Regular price \$19 - 100 Level Premium seats, Best Available Seating). Please notify/pay Pat Mallery by March 5.



Blast from the past for the third week in February:

Five years ago— Town Supervisor Bill Carpenter said discussion was being held regarding ways to develop the former Monoco storage tank area.

Ten years ago— A routine 6:15 pm meeting at The Depot and Brian Marcellus was fined \$1 for being early.

Rotary Club of Pittsford Seeks Applicants for \$25,000 Scholarship

The Rotary Club of Pittsford is seeking applicants for an Ambassadorial Scholarship. The Ambassadorial Scholarships, which are designed to further international understanding and goodwill, provide for study abroad in more than 160 countries where Rotary clubs are located. Applicants must have completed two years of college by July 1, 2006.

During their studies abroad, Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars act as "ambassadors of goodwill". Through appearances before Rotary clubs and districts, schools, civic organizations, and other forums, the scholars represent their homelands and work to further international understanding

Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships are for one academic year abroad and provide funding for round-trip transportation, tuition and fees, room, board, some educational supplies, and language training (if necessary), up to a maximum award of US \$25,000 or its equivalent. Completed applications must be filed by May 1, 2006. Scholarships will be awarded for the academic year starting September 2007.

For more information and an application, please contact Bob Vukosic at (585) 975-9573. Interested students can also go to the Rotary International web site at www.rotary.org , where an application may be downloaded.

ROTARY INFORMATION: February is **Rotary World Understanding Month**. Please check out <http://www.rotary.org/foundation/index.html> for more information.

OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

On April 1 there will be an annual Rotary meeting hosted by the Palmyra/Macedon club. Six Pittsford members will be sponsored by our club. Forty five different topics will be discussed. Pat Mallery will be reviewing the activities of Pittsford Interact and encouraging the formation of new Interact clubs.

The Annual District Conference will be held in State College, PA on May 5-7.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

FEBRUARY	ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH	
March 2	Board Meeting	
March 2	PS 36 After School	
March 4	Free Throw Contest	
March 8	Foundation Board Meeting	
March 9	PS 36 After School	
March 13	Taste of Pittsford	
April 1	Rotary District Assembly	
April 8	Walk for Water	

MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

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

DATE	SPEAKER	PROGRAM	GREETER
3/1/06	Frank Maston	Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance (<i>At Library</i>)	Roger Zaenglein
3/8/06	Stuart Dizak	eAuction Traders	Jack Bent

HELPFUL ROTARY LINKS:

<http://www.rotary.org/> - Rotary International

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

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

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