



# The Accelerator



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD, NY

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**INVITE A FRIEND TO JOIN ROTARY**

## Club Evaluation Committee Report & Exchange Students - story below

VISITING ROTARIANS / GUESTS: Bobbie Gardner from the YMCA and a prospective member introduced herself. Carol Jo (CJ) Bullen from the Nunda club. Dave Ferris from the Fairport Club. Joe Hammele of the Rochester Club. Linda Morely from Pittsford-Mendon HS who introduced several students. Dasha, an exchange student from Russia, and a male student from Germany. Our exchange student, Dion, from Holland. Samantha Hessney, our outgoing exchange student, who will be spending next year in Florence, Italy. Samantha noted she was grateful for the fun time she had at the Rotary District Conference two weeks ago.

ATTENDANCE – 31 Members, 1 Honorary, 3 visiting Rotarians, 4 exchange students, and 2 guests.

### MEMBER NEWS

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

Ray Robbins was back at our meeting after a quick visit to the surgeon. Ray reports a “lucky 13” documented incisions, not counting lobster marks.

The Board of Directors has received an application for membership from Kevin O’Grady. Kevin lives in Rochester and works in Pittsford at O’Grady & Associates, Inc. He is a Cub Scout committee member and past Den Leader. Kevin is a founding member of the Webster Village Business Improvement District (BID). He is also on the board of directors of the Pittsford Village Green Property Owners. If any member has an objection to Kevin becoming a member of this club, please submit your reason(s) in writing to the club president on or before May 25, 2004.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE INTERACT FLOWERS WERE WONDERFUL:** Once again the sale of flowers by the Interact clubs was a great success. We can be proud of the work the students did to make this happen. Thanks also for the guidance and help of Pat Mallery and Pete “Truck Driving Man” Crooker.

**TRASH TALK:** Thanks to the following participants of this weekend’s East Street clean-up: Peter Crooker, Hank Ferris, Ken Smith, Bob Thompson, Gerry Vesling, Matt Wahl, Anders Wahl, and Roger Zaenglein. We were told that Matt is lowering his standards and leaving trash that is clearly in people’s back yards.

**FRIEDRICH’S ATAXIA WALK – MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>:** We will meet at Nazareth at about 8:30 a.m. on May 15 to help out, as crossing guards and for other duties.

**8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FISHING DERBY – MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Volunteers signed up during the May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting for the various duties. If you didn't and still want to participate see Pete Crooker. The event will be held at Powderhorn Lodge at Powder Mills Park. Lynn Freshman will be the Rotary Greeter for this event (did anyone tell Lynn the greeter is responsible for putting worms on hooks?). Jim Cameron created outstanding posters for the lodge. Peter Crooker noted that the John Riedman Foundation is managing the fish hatchery and will stock the fish for this event. Jim Murphy stated that doughnuts will be available at this event, and we can also buy low-carb Krispy Kreme discount cards for \$10 each, with \$5 going toward Dion's trip across the U.S. As always, Harry Womeldorf is working behind the scenes and we can't wait to see him at the event.

**PAUL HARRIS NOMINEES AND DONATIONS NEEDED:** Rick Juskiewicz. announced that our club has almost enough for two Paul Harris Awards. We still need nominations – please get them to Rick.

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:** Judge Gallina will be joined by about a dozen club members at 9:30 am (on Memorial Day), at Sutherland High School. We should wear our blue golf shirts and hats.

**LEADERSHIP POSITIONS OPEN:** Please consider applying for the Pittsford Rotary Board position for Community Service – Inside Pittsford, or to be the Pittsford Rotary representative to the Camp Haccamo Board.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY:** Rick attended the dinner at Saint Louis church where our \$2,500 check was presented. A thank you letter from Dick Sprenkle of Flower City Habitat was passed around.

**HALL TALK:** Jim Murphy distributed Terri Hall's Hall Talk newsletter, which is also available online. Follow this link - <http://www.rotary7120.org/newsletter/news7120.htm>

**RAFFLE ANYONE? :** Jim Cameron did his usual super job creating wonderful brochures, and tickets for the Doug Emblidge / Pittsford Rotary Golf Tournament Raffle, with the prize of a golf trip (or sightseeing) to Ireland for two people. Doug Emblidge gave our club 250 tickets to sell, and he will sell the rest. Rick Haverty entrusted members with ten tickets each. If you didn't get your ten tickets at this week's meeting you can be expecting them soon. Please do your best to sell these, but return any you can't sell in a timely manner. The drawing will take place at our golf tournament in July.

**FOOD CUPBOARD:** On Monday, June 7, Pete Crooker will be driving food from the Post Office to the Pittsford Food Cupboard, and stocking the shelves. The food will have been collected in bags provided to local residences by postal employees. Lend a hand to Pete and help move the food to the cupboard.

**NOTE! NOTE! CHANGE OVER DINNER DATE CHANGE:** Jackie Swift has notified us that the change over dinner has moved to Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> instead of the 16<sup>th</sup>. The Locust Hill dining facility was not available the on 16<sup>th</sup>

## FEATURES

### THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

**MUSIC:** We sang "You are my Sunshine" with special harmonies provided by CJ Bulen. CJ was visiting from the Nunda Rotary and sings with the Sweet Adelines.

**SPEAKER:** Mary Alice Price led a review of our club evaluation. A strong majority of the club responded to the questionnaire. Members of the evaluation committee, Mary Alice Price, Beans Bennett, Jerry Vesling and Bob Vukosic, reviewed the major categories. Bob Vukosic responded to questions 1-10 dealing with membership. The biggest concern is mentoring new members better. Mary Alice talked about questions 16-27, which dealt with the mechanics of the meetings and how to deal with the busyness of a meeting; ordering food and getting information out (ring that bell!). Don Henderson then commented about questions 29-32, which deal with fund raising and giving evaluations after each project.

What worked, what didn't, and of course how to better things next year. Rick Haverty then concluded with comments about Public Relations. John Bernacki has added Doug Emblidge to the role of PR for our club next year. Doug will mentor other members in writing press releases and help with contacts. All these suggestions will be raised at the board meeting for any actions and directions to be taken. Gaven had one last comment about Public Relations, saying wear your pin and talk about the club whenever you get the chance. It was also noted the banner in the Hick's & McCarthy window on meeting day draws a fair amount of attention. Rick added a thank you to Bruce Spector for putting the questionnaire on our website and for tabulating the responses – he has been a great addition to the club. We'd like to thank all the members for participating in the evaluation. The evaluation committee will remain as an on-going effort in the club.



**HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES:** Bob Vukosic gave \$1 because he missed a Rotary commitment Saturday and another \$1 for the great job Pat Mallery did with the Interact Flowers. Pat Mallery gave happy dollars to thank Peter Crooker for driving to pick up flowers and for the use of the truck from realtor Alan Wood. Jim Murphy sold three Dion tickets. Elthea gave because one of her grandchildren just graduated. Dion gave because he had four parents this week - his parents were in town for a visit. Matt Wahl gave \$2 because he found a purse with \$0.60 found money on East Street clean-up. Rick Juskiewicz is looking for Paul Harris nominations. Jackie Swift gave for the great job Pat Mallery did with the flower sale. Ed Francis gave for his trip with Gaven on the Sam Patch. The claim is they were researching a wine and cheese cruise on the

canal for our club. Hey, great idea! Maybe we'll try this later in the year. Billy Pieper gave \$2 because he was happy guest Bobby Gardiner came to our meeting. Peter Crooker noted a happy birthday to Ken Smith. Ken Smith gave because he thought the flowers were great. Rick Haverty added a flower buck and said he couldn't wait to get his impatiens (he was fined an extra buck by the club for such a groaner). Hank Ferris is also celebrating a birthday and he added his scooter fine for leaving early last week.

**50/50 WINNER:** The pot was up to \$69. Ken Smith pulled Pat Mallery's number and Pat failed to get an ace. Jan Smith pulled Jan Smith's number (what are those odds) but alas no aces. The pot will grow next week.

## **ROTARY INFORMATION:**

### **Rotary District 7120 Centennial Celebration – BEACH BOYS CONCERT!**



District 7120 will be holding a Centennial Celebration on Saturday, August 14th at the Finger Lakes Performing Arts Center. The Celebration will begin at noon at the Center. The theme is a family fun celebration – so bring the kids, the neighbors, even your Uncle Ed.

The day's events will include: a Classic Car Cruise (beginning at noon); musical entertainment throughout the afternoon; and food, food, food...including a pig roast and chicken barbeque.

The highlight of the Celebration will be a concert at approximately 7:00 p.m. by the Beach Boys. The cost of your ticket covers the day's activities excluding food and some club sponsored events. All proceeds will be donated to the District 7120 Rotary Camps for disabled children.

Ticket sales for the concert begin on Saturday, May 15 at TicketMaster. You can stop by the box office; phone 585-232-1900; or order via the internet at [www.Ticketmaster.com](http://www.Ticketmaster.com). The shell tickets for the front half of the shell are \$20.00 and the back half \$17.00. Don't miss out on your tickets. There are only 2,300 shell tickets available. Thousands more lawn seats are available for \$12.00 each and can be purchased through your club coordinator (sorry these are not available through TicketMaster). In Pittsford that would be Rick Haverty.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "It isn't the mountain ahead that wears you out - it's the grain of sand in your shoe." - **Robert Service**

**JUST FOR FUN:** A little warm-up for our Golf Tournament and your golf season...

**THE NATURAL LAWS OF GOLF**

1. Don't buy a putter until you've had a chance to throw it.
2. The game of golf is 90% mental and 10% physical.
3. Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.
4. No matter how bad you are playing, it is always possible to play worse.
5. Never try to keep more than 300 separate thoughts in your mind during your swing.
6. When your shot has to carry over a water hazard, you can either hit one more club or two more balls.
7. If you're afraid a full shot might reach the green while the foursome ahead of you is still putting out, you have two options: you can immediately shank a lay-up, or you can wait until the green is clear and top a ball halfway there.
8. The less skilled the player, the more likely he is to share his ideas about the golf swing.
9. Golfers, who claim they don't cheat, also lie.
10. A golf match is a test of your skill against your opponent's luck.
11. The shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through the center of a very large tree.
12. There are two kinds of bounces: unfair bounces, and bounces just the way you meant to play it.
13. To calculate the speed of a player's downswing, multiply the speed of his backswing by his handicap. Example: backswing 20 mph, handicap 15, downswing 300 mph.
14. A ball you can see in the rough from 50 yards away is not yours.
15. If you really want to get better at golf, go back and take it up at a much earlier age.

## OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **May 22 - Brighton Rotary's First Golf Tournament**
  - Ravenwood Golf Club, Victor. Shotgun start at 12:30 - For details and printable entry form [click here](#).
- **May22 - Second Annual De-feet Polio Walk sponsored by the Clifton Springs and Phelps Rotary Clubs and the Midlakes Rotary Interact Club**
  - [Click Here for Sponsor Form](#)
- **May23-26 - Rotary International Convention, Osaka, Japan**
- **Jun05 - Antique Show** at Perinton Park (Fairport Rotary)
- **Jun12 - 1:00pm - *Bring the family to see Shrek 2-at the Second Annual Rotary Family Day at the Movies***
  - 1:00pm at the West Wayne Theatre in Macedon thanks to the generosity of PDG Ralph Kommer.
  - **Shrek 2** is probably the most anticipated kids movie of 2004, a movie suitable for the whole family so please save the date.
  - **Tickets: \$5.00 (All money goes to Polio Plus)**
- **Jun14-18 - Council on Legislation, Chicago, Illinois, USA**
- **Jun14 - Annual Greece Rotary Charity Golf Tournament** Ridgemont Country Club, 3717 West Ridge Road, Greece, NY , 14626. Registration begins at 11:00am, with lunch at 11:30am and a shotgun start time at 12:30pm. Proceeds from the tournament will again benefit the Greece Little League - Challenger

## 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.

**15 May** – MDA Friedreich's Ataxia "**Walk to seek a Miracle**" – 8:30 am Nazareth College - 424-6560

**16 May** – District Red Wings Game – Frontier Field

**22 May** – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual **Fishing Derby** – Powderhorn Lodge

**13 June** – **Positively Pittsford**. Sidewalk art contest.

**15 June** – **Changeover Dinner** at Locust Hill – Cocktails at 5:30 PM dinner at 6:00 PM.

**24 July** – **Doug Emblidge / Pittsford Rotary Golf Tournament** at Greystone Golf Club.

## MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

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

\*\*\*\*\* **NEXT WEEK** \*\*\*\*\*

**19 May: Paul Spiegel will speak about the history of South Main Street (Greeter – Lynn Freshman)**

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**26 May:** Kathleen Carrol of the St. Louis School (Greeter – Gaven Hurley)

**2 June:** Interact Presidents will address our club (Greeter – Fred Gallina)

**9 June:** No Meeting – please attend the LPGA work night

**15 June:** Changeover Dinner – no morning meeting on the morning of the 16<sup>th</sup>.

**23 June:** LPGA WEEK – No Meeting

**30 June:** TBD (Greeter – Elthea King)



### HELPFUL ROTARY LINKS:

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

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

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

<http://www.rotaract.org/> - Rotaract

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<b>FOUNDATION OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD (2003-2004)</b>		
Chair – Matt Wahl (6/30/05) Club President – Rick Haverty (6/30/04) Treasurer – Roger Zaenglein	Other Voting Members: Ray Cornelius (6/30/05) Gerry Vesling (6/30/04)	Gaven Hurley (6/30/06) Jim Murphy (6/30/06) Hank Ferris (6/30/04)
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