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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD, NY

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Invocation: Gaven Hurley

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INVITE A FRIEND TO JOIN ROTARY

Kathleen Carrol talks about our Dictionaries in Africa and a Special Presentation to Nazareth College - stories below



Dr. Robert Miller of Nazareth College and Gaven Hurley

VISITING ROTARIANS / GUESTS: Dr. Robert Miller (President, Nazareth College), Kelly Gagan (Director of Development, Nazareth College), Bruce Wooley (Director of Financial Aid, Nazareth College), Kathleen Caroll and Peggy Keller from the St. Louis school, and prospective new members: Curt Fay, Brian Haan and Kevin O'Grady.

ATTENDANCE –37 Members, 1 Honorary member, no visiting Rotarians, and 8 guests.

MEMBER NEWS

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

Rick Juskiewicz's father had a kidney removed this week. Happily, all went well and he was home by the end of the week. Rick was also hospitalized for a kidney infection – probably brought on by the stress and lack of sleep. He has also recovered and attended our meeting on Wednesday.

The Board of Directors has received and approved applications for membership from Kevin O'Grady, Brian Haan, and Bobbie Gardner. If any member has an objection to any of these people becoming members of this club, please submit your reason(s) in writing to the club president on or before June 9, 2004. Inductions are tentatively planned at the change-over dinner.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

8th ANNUAL FISHING DERBY: Peter Crooker stated that it was a great day and a good time, and Rotary put its best foot forward. Bob Vukosic submitted articles to the Brighton-Pittsford Post and to the D&C.

SEE THE U.S.A.: Dion collected over \$400 from raffle tickets and bottle returns toward his bus trip across the U.S.A. The winners of the raffle, John Bernacki and Charlie Richardson will each will receive an eight-hour day of work from Dion.

HUFF'N'PUFF: The Canalways Association held a promotional relay on the canal on Saturday May 29th. Matt Wahl volunteered to carry the banner along our section, between the Perinton/Pittsford Town Line and the Pittsford Village Town line and handed over the baton to the Boy Scouts for the next leg of the run.

CAR WASH: The Interact clubs collected \$224 at a car wash at Thornell Farm Park, adjacent to Pittsford Mendon High School, between noon and 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 23. Many who were watching nearby athletic contests became patrons of this event, which benefited children in Malawi. Pat Mallery and Ed Francis provided the adult supervision.



GOLF RAFFLE TICKETS AND TRIP DETAILS: Fred Gallina has already sold his first ten tickets and asked for ten more! According to Fred, "I didn't know I had so many Irish friends!" If you didn't get tickets or need more just ask Rick. The raffle prize is a trip for two to Ireland for a six-night stay. It includes round trip airfare from Rochester to Shannon, lodging, daily breakfast, three rounds of golf, and a rental car. If the winners are non-golfers, the trip can be a sightseeing trip. Extended stay at the winner's expense is also possible. The trip must be taken within one year of the golf tournament. The odds of winning are 1:1,000 or better (we'll only print 1,000 tickets and the odds are based on how many of those we sell).

CAMP HACCAMO REPORT: President Rick Haverty and Lew Wolf attended the Camp Haccamo Board meeting this past week. They are accepting requests for nominations for the 2005-2007 board of directors. The five person nominating committee includes Rick, so if you have a nomination or are interested in serving on the Camp board let him know. They are also seeking a Human Resources Director. A shortfall of \$50,000 from last years budget is being funded through the Camp's memorial fund – which is meant to be a permanent fund. They would like to replace this money over the next three years. The low turn-out at last years LPGA and the slow economy have been cited as causes. The Camp is only serving about 60 campers this year, down from 80 in recent years, due to the shortfall. To help with the financial stress the Greece Rotary club presented a check for \$3,600. After a blackout last year, a generator is being suggested because of the trauma caused. Bill Wilcox from Palmyra-Macedon Rotary has issued a challenge to all Rotarians. He has put up 50% of the generator cost and asked that the rest of us provide the matching amount. A new natural gas generator will cost about \$6,000. Lastly, Charlie Richardson announced his departure from the Camp board as Pittsford's representative and left the Camp board with a written farewell and an offer from his newly formed organization, "Service to Humanity, Inc."

GREETER ASSIGNMENTS (ALL MEMBERS): David Spaker distributed the greeter assignment list at the May 26 meeting. The assignments are now in alphabetic order starting with Beans Bement on July 7th. We did this so every member will be in the rotation. With our current club size you should be asked to do this only once a year. The assignment includes being at the meeting a few minutes early, staying near the door to greet people as they come in, notifying the president of the names of guests, giving the invocation, and taking the speaker notes. If you can't be at the meeting you're assigned to, it is your responsibility to switch with another member and notify the club president in advance. Failure to do so will result in incredibly heavy fines!

SAINTS PLACE: Lynn Freshman read the thank-you note from Paulina Knauf. She also expressed appreciation to Jim Kubarek, Bob Vukosic and Elthea King, for help provided during their big sale.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS – JUNE 5th @ RIT: Come and help out with the Special Olympics track & field events on Saturday June 5th from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm (any duration between these hours would help). More information is available at <http://www.mcspecialolympics.org/Home.html>. Go to the volunteer section and sign up.

TOWN OF PITTSFORD TRIATHLON – JUNE 6th: Pat Mallery asked us to help with the First Annual Town of Pittsford Triathlon, from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Sunday, June 6. There will be a 300-yard swim at Pittsford Mendon High School pool, a 5K run and a 15-mile bike ride. They will need help at several locations beginning at Thornell Farm Park, and to serve lunch. Volunteers get a free t-shirt and lunch.

FOOD CUPBOARD – JUNE 7th: The annual Post Office canned food drive is scheduled for Monday, June 7. Pete Crooker will be transporting food from the Post Office to the Pittsford Food Cupboard, and stocking the shelves. Lend a hand to Pete and help move the food to the cupboard.

LPGA WORK NIGHT AND CHANGEOVER DINNER – JUNE 15TH & 16TH: Brian Marcellus has rescheduled the LPGA work night for Wednesday evening June 16th (the night after our change-over dinner). This means we will be having a regular meeting on June 9th. Please see the calendar for details.

LPGA WEEK: Lynn Freshman passed around a sign-up sheet for LPGA staffing. We will man one ice cream stand on the course and also sell from one of the food tents. Volunteers are needed for June 21 through June 27, but especially on the June 22 Family Day. Exact times for coverage will be provided later. Also, Brian Marcellus asked us to call the tournament office, 427-7100, to offer help with the Hole-in-One contest.

FEATURES

THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

MUSIC: Lynn had us sing, “You’re a Grand Old Flag” and then “Happy Birthday” as it was Gaven’s big day. It wasn’t completely clear, but we think Lynn may have been implying that Gaven was a “Grand Old” something?

SPEAKER: Kathleen Carol and Peggy Keller from St. Louis School were this morning’s speakers. Both Carol and Peggy visited Kenya and helped distribute Rotary dictionaries from the Pittsford Rotary Club. The Hamisi school in Kenya is a sister school of St. Louis. It was founded by Father Protus Hamisi who was a director at St. Louis for four years while attending St. John Fisher on a scholarship.

The Hamisi School started with pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes but has grown continually and it now includes 5th and 6th grades. For most students it is a five-mile walk to school. Before it was built, the closest school was about twenty-five miles away. The school is non-denominational. All students in the Kenya schools, although public, wear uniforms. School supplies are hard to come by and note pads (paper) is erased and used more than once. Pencils are also scarce. Another big problem is the lack of potable water. People go miles for good well water. Other water gathering techniques include collecting rainwater from rooftops. The Hamisi school set up its own tank and water well system.

We were thanked for the dictionaries that were sent as part of our Dictionary Project. Students speak and write English. A few of the extra books were sent to a neighboring school called “The Library School.” The school, in its appreciation, gave Kathleen a gift of a goat. She thought it would be a good idea to donate it back before returning to the US.

While in Africa, Kathleen and Peggy also toured Africa to see the wide variety of wild animals. Father Hamisi went along and had never seen some of the animals before even though he lives there. Thanks Kathleen and Peggy for sharing your fantastic experiences with Pittsford Rotary.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO NAZARETH: Our special guests today, Kelly Gagan, Bruce Wooley, and President Dr. Robert Miller, were from Nazareth College. The chairperson of our club foundation, Matthew Wahl, presented Dr. Miller with a service award check in the amount of \$1,000. The money was provided as part of the proceeds of the Taste of Pittsford event held at Nazareth in March. The school will award the full amount to a student based on their community service efforts. Dr. Miller thanked Pittsford Rotary and commented how well run the Taste of Pittsford was and that he hoped it would continue as an annual event.



HAPPY DOLLARS & FINES: Danny Harper gave because he is happy to be back from some business travel. Jerry Vesling gave because a recent trip took him through Morristown, NJ. He said something about the Rotary road signs include Gaven's name! Gaven Hurley handed over a check to the foundation for his birthday and anniversary. Pat Mallery gave \$5 to thank Rotarians for coming through the Interact Car wash. He especially wanted to thank Ed Francis for coming through on short notice to cover for Pat while he had another event to attend. Ed Francis gave \$2; a \$1 fine for coming to the meeting later than his guest (Curt Fay) and special thanks to Pat. Jim Murphy noted that a past Rotarian

passed away and his son donated fishing tackle to our Fishing Derby. The lures were given away to the kids. Ray Robbins gave because he is going to Maine and happy as a clam about it. He also noted he will do canal clean-up from his canoe and another Rotarian (about equal to Ray in weight) is welcome to help out. Rick Haverty gave because the plane he and his daughter were on this weekend had a potty door latch (on the outside of the plane) repaired before they took off and not after! Peter Crooker gave \$2 for the Fishing Derby and for Russ Crook's wife who helped out while Russ was with his daughter fishing. Peggy Albrecht gave because she's glad Helmut is back in town.

50/50 WINNER: The pot has climbed to \$130. Tickets for Dave Spaker and Dion Janssen were drawn, but they didn't pick aces. Once again a person who purchased extra tickets (Dave) had one of his numbers drawn.

ROTARY INFORMATION: From the ABC's of Rotary...

PAUL HARRIS-FIRST BUT NOT FIRST

Was Paul Harris the first president of a Rotary club? No.

Was Paul Harris the first president of Rotary International? Yes.

There is an easy explanation to this apparent contradiction. Although Paul Harris was the founder and organizer of the first Rotary club in Chicago in 1905, the man selected to be the first president was one of the other founding members, Silvester Schiele.

By the year 1910 there were 16 Rotary clubs, which linked up as an organization called the National Association of Rotary Clubs. A couple of years later the name was changed to International Association of Rotary Clubs as Rotary was organized in Winnipeg, Canada, and then in England, Ireland and Scotland. In 1922 the name was shortened to Rotary International.

When the first organization of Rotary clubs was created in 1910, Paul Harris was selected as the first president. He served in this position for two years, from 1910 until 1912. Thus, the founder of the Rotary idea, who declined to be president of the first club, became the first president of the worldwide organization, Rotary International.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK: *"We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all that we need to make us really happy is something to be enthusiastic about."* - **Charles Kingsley**

JUST FOR FUN: A few quips...

- I had amnesia once -- or twice.
- Photons have mass? I didn't even know they were Catholic.
- I'd give my right arm to be ambidextrous.
- Two can live as cheaply as one..... for half as long.
- What if there were no hypothetical questions?
- A flashlight is a case for holding dead batteries.
- The speed of time is one-second per second.
- Is Marx's tomb a communist plot?
- If swimming is so good for your figure, how do you explain whales?
- Show me a man with both feet firmly on the ground, and I'll show you a man who can't get his pants off.
- It's not an optical illusion. It just looks like one.

OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **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** Ridgmont 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.

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** *****

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

9 June: Our exchange student, Dion Janssen (Greeter – Thomas Gunter-Kremers)

15 June: Changeover Dinner – no morning meeting on the morning of the 16th. (Greeter – Jim Cameron)

16 June: LPGA Clean-up night – 5:30 PM at Locust Hill

23 June: LPGA WEEK – No Meeting

30 June: TBD (Greeter – Elthea King) **FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING** (8:15 am)

7 July: TBD (Greeter – Beans Bement)

14 July: TBD (Greeter – Rick Haverty)

21 July: TBD (Greeter – Frank Burns) **FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING** (8:15 am)

28 July: TBD (Greeter – Jim Cameron)

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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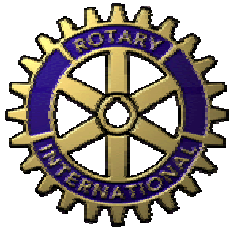
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FOUNDATION OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD (2003-2004)

Chair – Matt Wahl (6/30/05)	<i>Other Voting Members:</i>	Gaven Hurley (6/30/06)
Club President – Rick Haverty (6/30/04)	Ray Cornelius (6/30/05)	Jim Murphy (6/30/06)
Treasurer – Roger Zaenglein	Gerry Vesling (6/30/04)	Hank Ferris (6/30/04)

2004-2005 members – term starting 7/1/04 and ending 6/30/07: Brian Marcellus & Don Henderson



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