

September 2, 2009

The Palmyra-Macedon Rotary Club's Canaltown Crier



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Entering Erie Canal Lock #29 at Palmyra, NY



Macedon Veteran's Memorial, Canal Park

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Rotary District 7120 Website: www.rotary7120.org
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Holocaust Survivor Henry Silberstern of The Birkenau Boys

August 26 -- Club Assembly

- Anne Morrell introduced Club members to this year's Youth Exchange Student Elena Vasquez (all together, everyone –VAHS-kez!), who is from Argentina. She has one brother and one sister, both younger, and this is her first ever time away from home, so be sure to welcome her to our community. Elena is already making new friends as a member of the Pal-Mac girl's volleyball team.



- The Prez also announced that he needs a member to head up this year's "Pennies for Polio" campaign in Pal-Mac schools. If you can help, please contact Dave Pray.
- President Dave presented Vicky Daly with her ten-year Perfect Attendance pin.
- If you have sold Canaltown Days raffle tickets, please be sure to turn in the ticket stubs and money to Joan Shaffer ASAP.
- Fair Booth Chair Kim Clement announced that this year's fundraiser grossed approximately \$9,300 – second only to last year's



record-setting amount. While final figures are not yet in, she expects the net to be in the \$5,600 - \$5,700 range. Kim also saluted all the Rotarians who pitched in to make this year's effort so successful: Leslie Vecchiotti, Bob and Vicky Daly, Joan Shaffer, Margaret Brooks, and Peter Park each contributed more than 12 hours; Anne Morrell volunteered more than 16 hours, while Gary Haigh logged over 20 hours, and Bob Yost topped the list with more than 25 hours in a blue apron! Among others singled out for special recognition was newcomer Dave Nagel who – while not yet officially a new member – pitched in two shifts and took over the grill like a champion, and new member Elder Roger Hamblin who was awarded

the “Super Salesman” award for his ability to hawk hot and hamburgers like a true carny! Finally, Kim asked for a standing ovation for Roger and Ruth Wilbur, who each year arrive early and stay late to help the morning shift open and clean the booth, for which she awarded the “Can't Be Beat” award!

- President-Elect Cindy Surline reported on a recent “brainstorming session” with Membership Committee members Eric Chapman and Jim Bush to discuss ways to improve our Club's recruitment and retention efforts in the coming year. Citing a goal of 50 members by the next Rotary year, Cindy noted several proposed ideas including:
 - A “sandwich board” to display Club accomplishments at all Rotary events and fundraisers. Hopefully, this will be ready by Canaltown Days.
 - Meeting notices to be included in the weekly Courier-Journal “Community Calendar”.
 - Submitting highlights of each week's Crier newsletter to the weekly newspaper to highlight Rotarians and activities.
 - Inviting potential members to attend a meeting as guest of the Club. Eric Chapman provided each member with a slip on which to provide two names to the Committee.
 - Encourage Rotarians to attend Chamber of Commerce meetings.
 - Establish a “Facebook Page” for Pal-Mac Rotary to reach younger people. (*Note: Mary Courtney stepped to the plate and set this up before the day was out!*)
 - Schedule a “Community Appreciation Day” dinner to recognize outstanding volunteers who might be attracted to Rotary.

If you have other thoughts or ideas to make Rotary membership attractive to members of our community, please contact a Committee member.

- Upcoming dates to remember:
 - September 11, District Golf Tournament, Lima Country Club (See Eric Chapman)
 - September 13, Eastern Cities Dinner (If interested, see President Dave).
 - September 18 – 20, Palmyra Canaltown Days
 - October 3, “Autumn On the Erie”
 - October 3, United Way of Wayne County Canal Walk in Newark
 - October 7, Rotary Leadership Institute; see Dave Pray for details
 - October 17, Family Literacy Seminar, East Rochester Presbyterian Church (details next week)

Missing in Action

M. Clement, B. Culver, R. Hamblin, R. Kommer, D. LeMoyne, R. Leopard, J. McGovern, A. Pechler, M. Rutkowski, L. Vecchiotti, E. VerPlank.

Thoughts and Prayers

- Margaret Brooks' brother, James Marvin, passed away this week. Please keep Margaret and all members of the Marvin family in your prayers.
- Mary Courtney asked for prayers for the family of LeighAnn Henry of Lyons, who was severely injured in an accident and is in Strong Hospital for surgery.
- Nancy Farrell reported that Lloyd Anthony is out of the Intensive Care Unit and is now in a regular hospital room.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

While doing your weekly food shopping, why not pick up an extra item or two to donate to one of our local food pantries? A little goes a long way in the lives of people in need.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

Desiree Dexter, guest of Tricia Cox

Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Pam Dean celebrated a birthday this week. Asked if it was a significant number, Pam replied, "At this point, they're *all* significant!"
- Anne Morrell and husband, Dave, recently celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

Happy Bucks and Confessions

- Eric Chapman offered a happy buck for the occasion of his parents' recent 61st wedding anniversary. Congratulations to Doris and John.
- Tricia Cox enjoyed a trip back to her home in Idaho, where she was happy to greet a new niece.
- Bob Sloan donated an “unhappy buck” for the fact that the second week of Camp ONSEYAWA was cut short by an outbreak of the flu. He's also unhappy because Pam and Bill Dean didn't get the word on Sunday!
- Dave and Katie Read enjoyed a three day trip to the Thousand Islands last week for Katie's annual “first cousins reunion”.
- Anne Morrell vacationed on Cape Cod last week, where she attended a friend's wedding.
- Bob Yost offered a very happy buck for the note he received this week from his son, Nate, who is a Marine Recruit in San Diego, CA.
- Peter Park recently enjoyed a vacation with his family to visit “Sesame Street” and added an unplanned trip to Cincinnati.

50/50 Winner

Gary Hopkins, \$11, donated to “Pennies for Polio”

Upcoming Programs and Presenters

Sept 9	Peter Park presenting Bob Graves, VP of Indoor Environmental Air Services
Sept 16	TBD — Looking for a volunteer
Sept 23	Gene Bassage – program TBD
Sept 30	CLUB ASSEMBLY
Oct 7	Arnie Pechler – TBD
Oct 14	TBD — Looking for a volunteer
Oct 21	Arnie Pechler – TBD
Oct 28	CLUB ASSEMBLY
Nov 4	TBD — Looking for a volunteer
Nov 11	Eric Chapman – presenting Palmyra Boy Scout Troop 96 and their trip to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico
Nov 18	TBD – Looking for a volunteer
Nov 25	NO MEETING – DAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING

Please give the name of your speaker and topic to Debbie LeMoyne (986-2625 or email debbie.lemoyne@garlock.com) ASAP. If you are unable to find a speaker on the day that you are assigned either find a replacement or switch with someone. If you are looking for topics, please contact Debbie LeMoyne. Thank you.

The Palmyra-Macedon Rotary Club

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Palmyra, NY 14522

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2008 - 2009 Club Officers

President	Dave Pray
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KEEP UP YOUR ATTENDANCE NEARBY CLUB MEETINGS

Monday

Bloomfield	7:30am	St. Bridget CC
Gananda	6:00pm	Log Cabin Restaurant
Williamson	6:15pm	American Legion
Fairport	6:15pm	Green Lantern Inn
Waterloo	6:30pm	Holiday Inn

Tuesday

Red Jacket	7:30am	Lehigh Valley Family Restaurant (Rt 96 and Rt 21)
Clifton Springs	12:00pm	Clifton Springs Hospital Auditorium
Ontario-Walworth	6:15pm	Ontario Firemen's Exempt Hall
Red Creek	6:15pm	Shella's Pizzeria
Sodus	6:15pm	Steger Haus

Wednesday

Victor-Farmington	12:00pm	Legacy Sr. Citizens Complex
Wolcott	12:05pm	Wolcott Elks Lodge

Thursday

Newark	12:05pm	Newark Quality Inn
Canandaigua	12:15pm	Steamboat Landing
Clyde	6:10pm	Donselaar's
East Rochester	6:15pm	Hawthorne's Restaurant