

**September 30, 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

Palmyra Macedon Rotary Website: [www.palmyramacedonrotary.org](http://www.palmyramacedonrotary.org)  
Rotary District 7120 Website: [www.rotary7120.org](http://www.rotary7120.org)  
Rotary International Website: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

# September 30 CLUB ASSEMBLY

## Marcy Frey, Autumn on the Erie

Marcy Frey of Macedon joined us to provide information about that community's participation in the county-wide "Autumn on the Erie" celebration on Saturday, October 3. The month-long series of "community festivals" on weekends during September and October provides an opportunity for Erie Canal communities across our area to promote local pride, tourism, and the economy.

The local event will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on October 3 at Macedon's Canal Park at Lock 30, off Route 350. Canal boat rides will start at 11:00 a.m., Noon, and 1:00 p.m., and the "Historic Canal Walking Tour" will begin at Noon. Another "Historic Downtown Walking Tour" will begin at 2:00 p.m.



More than 40 craft and food vendors, including a chicken barbecue, will be on hand throughout the day. In addition, a children's play center will host bounce houses, pony rides, building of bird houses, and other activities.

Free parking will be available on Route 350 at the entrance to Canal Park in Macedon. Volunteers to help with this event are still needed, Marcy said. If you are interested, please call her at 538-9595 for more information.

## Missing in Action

K. Clement, M. Clement, M. Courtney, P. Dean, R. Hamblin, G. Hopkins, R. Kommer, R. Leopard, J. McGovern, P. Park, A. Pechler, M. Rutkowski, E. VerPlank.

## Thoughts and Prayers

- Margaret Brooks reported that her grandson is now recovering from his recent heart surgery – eleven hours and three bypasses.
- We were asked to pray for the family of Robert Gunkler of Palmyra, who passed away September 22.

## 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

- Shirley Bassage, wife of Gene Bassage
- Marcy Frey, Autumn on the Erie
- Rena Haigh, Creative Environment Day Care
- Sheila Zink, St. Anne's Resource center
- Phil Opdyke, Canaltown Nursery School, WPC

## Happy Bucks and Confessions

- Eric Chapman donated a happy buck for the Buffalo Bills' victory over Tampa Bay on Sunday.
- Dave Read also had a buck for the Bills, and added two more – one for Pal-Mac's 31-13 win over defending Finger Lakes East champion East Rochester/Gananda, and another for the P-M Interact Club's award winning float in the Canaltown Days Parade.
- Joan Shaffer contributed a happy buck to celebrate a new great grandson, born on September 11.
- Gene Bassage celebrated the Syracuse football team's victory over Northwestern with a happy buck of his own.
- Bill Dean confessed that his dinner badge went home with him last week, and ponied up an appropriate fine.
- Bob Sloan donated \$2 for “a good week with the kids” while wife Dianne was enjoying a trip to Chicago for a friend's wedding. Dianne escaped a fine with the Exempt Button for September.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Nancy Schrader and her husband, Bill, recently celebrated their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

## Rotary Club News

- Elena reported on her busy week, which included enjoying all the Canaltown Days activities and two more victories for the Pal-Mac girls' volleyball team.
- A signup sheet was circulated for members interested in helping with distribution of dictionaries to third graders at Pal-Mac Intermediate School in Macedon on Friday, October 9. If you are interested and missed the signup, please see Gary Haigh.
- President Dave presented \$500 checks to support the three non-profit daycare centers in our communities. On hand to receive their respective donations were Sheila Zink, St. Anne's Family Resource Center, Palmyra; Rena Haigh, Creative Environment Day Care in Macedon; and Phil Opdyke for Canaltown Nursery of Western Presbyterian Church.



- Joan Shaffer reported that ticket sales at the Rotary booth at Canaltown Days totaled \$795 on Saturday and \$560. Final net results will be available on September 30. The Grand Prize 32-inch flat screen television was won by Sherry Converse of Palmyra. Other prize winners in subsequent drawings were Lindsey Burgess, the Wii system; Frank Frieda of Marion, Savings Bond; Rotarian Anne Morrell and Marie Hendrickson of Macedon, Wal-Mart gift certificates; Kori Pechler (Arnie's granddaughter), Erie Canal Dinner Cruise; John Mullin, Palmyra, Breen's gift card; and former member Steve Rocca, Getty gas gift card. Joan thanked all those who pitched in to make this fundraiser a great success, and gave special recognition to the top ticket sellers: Gary Haigh, who soled 45 books; Joan Shaffer, 41 books; Tom Breen, 25 books; and Ruth/Roger Wilbur and Dave Nagle, 15 books each.
- Gene Bassage wound up the week's meeting with an entertaining 16-question quiz to test members' Rotary knowledge – both local and national. He invited Jim Bush to kick off by leading a spirited singing of the song R-O-T-A-R-Y!. Winner of the \$10 prize, donated by Gene and /Shirley, was won by Eric Chapman with 15 correct answers. In the spirit of Rotary, Eric donated his winnings to Polio Plus.



## 50/50 Winner

Nancy Schrader, \$13, donated to Polio Plus

## Upcoming Programs and Presenters

- Sept 23** Gene Bassage. Also, Marcy Frey about the Macedon Main Street/Autumn on the Erie Festival
- Sept 30** CLUB ASSEMBLY
- Oct 7** Arnie Pechler –Problem Solving –How to Make Effective Decisions
- Oct 14** Vicky Daly –presenting Mike Boesel who will speak about the Palmyra Canandaigua St Project
- Oct 21** Arnie Pechler – presenting Mark Preston from Outdoors Unlimited – Being Active While Disabled
- Oct 28** CLUB ASSEMBLY
- Nov 4** Leslie Vechiotti - presenting Stephanie Petty, 2009 Rotary Summer Youth Exchange Student –her experiences both in the Netherlands.
- Nov 11** Eric Chapman – presenting Palmyra Boy Scout Troop 96 and their trip to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico
- Nov 18** Tentative – Julianna Vechiotti - 2008-09 Pal-Mac Youth Exchange Student to Germany
- 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](mailto: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

101 E. Main Street  
Palmyra, NY 14522

**Board of Directors**  
**Jim Bush 08-10**  
**Tom Breen 08-10**  
**Gary Haigh 08-10**  
**David Read 08-10**  
**Nancy Schrader 8-10**  
**Bob Yost 08-10**  
**Debbie LeMoyne 09-11**  
**Arnie Pechler 09-11**  
**Pat Ver Plank 09-11**

## 2008 - 2009 Club Officers

<b>President</b>	<b>Dave Pray</b>
<b>President Elect</b>	<b>Cindy Surline</b>
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## KEEP UP YOUR ATTENDANCE NEARBY CLUB MEETINGS

### Monday

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

### Tuesday

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

### Wednesday

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

### Thursday

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