

January 13, 2010

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
Rotary District 7120 Website: www.rotary7120.org
Rotary International Website: www.rotary.org

January 13: Stephanie Petty, 2009 Rotary Summer Youth Exchange Student to the Netherlands

January 6: Kathleen Farrell, CPA: Income Tax Tips

Rotarian Arnie Pechler introduced his guest speaker, Kay Farrell, CPA. Kay came to speak to us about some changes in the tax laws for 2009 when filing your income tax returns.

Some highlights to note for changes in deductions this year:

- The home buyers credit for first time home buyers has been extended. It has also been expanded to include existing home owners as well.
- There are new energy credits available for items such as new windows and doors that are energy efficient.
- The education credit of \$2,500 per year has been expanded to include books as well.
- Be mindful of the “Working Man’s” credit that was enacted this year; it might mean that you owe more than intended on your return.
- The Sales Tax deduction can be taken even if you don’t itemize; this is also true for qualifying real estate taxes.
- A new vehicle’s sales tax is deductible as well, with restrictions of course.

Kay also mentioned a few audit triggers to watch out for, many excessive meal credits and mileage. She encouraged everyone, especially small business owners, to keep detailed and organized records and receipts to avoid problems in case an audit does occur.

Of course, if you have any questions, see your tax professional. Thanks, Kay, for an impromptu and informative presentation. Happy filing, everyone!



Missing in Action

K. Clement, M. Clement, G. Bassage, E. Chapman, M. Courtney, D. Nagle, B. Culver, R. Kommer, P. Dean, R. Leopard, J. McGovern, M. Rutkowski, N. Farrell, G. Haigh, G. Hopkins, E. VerPlank, N. Schrader, C. Surline, L. Vecchiotti.

Thoughts and Prayers

None.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

- Kay Farrell, speaker
- Sister Hamblin, wife of Roger Hamblin
- Elena Vasquez
- Pal-Mac seniors Megan Sullivan and Erin Thompson



Happy Bucks and Confessions

- Arnie Pechler gave three happy bucks (one for each sister) for his visit to Canada for the holidays. Arnie has three sisters, all of whom married Canadians.
- Debbie LeMoyne gave a happy buck for fellow Rotarian Arnie Pechler, who came through with Kay Farrell as a last-minute presenter for today's program.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

We sang "Happy Birthday" to Rotarian Bob Sloan, who celebrated a birthday on January 4.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please remember to bring a food pantry item (or a few!) to be donated to one of our local food pantries. The holiday season is upon us and a little goes a long way in the lives of people in need!

50/50 Winner

Won by speaker, Kay Farrell, who graciously donated back to our club.

Rotary News

- There is a program for the Rotary Foundation occurring for which we are encouraging each of our members to contribute \$5. If you haven't made your contribution yet, please do so.
- Pres. Dave Pray is collecting any information from the club's history you would like to share for the club's 60th anniversary dinner.
- The Oratorical contest will be held at the Pal-Mac High School cafeteria on Jan. 19 at 7 pm.
- The Rotary Spelling Bee will be on Feb. 20. Team registrations are due by Jan. 30.

Upcoming Programs and Presenters

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| 1/20/10 | Leslie Vecchiotti presenting Julianna Vecchiotti, 2008 - 09 Rotary Youth Exchange Student to Germany |
| 1/27/10 | CLUB Assembly – Parkwood Heights – Macedon |
| 2/03/10 | Dick Kirchoff presenting Dr. Ike who will give an update on the new Primary/Secondary Pal-Mac School Program |
| 2/10/10 | Ken Miller – Palmyra's new Supervisor |

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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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