

February 17, 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

February 17: Mary Courtney: Earthwatch Teacher Fellowship

February 10: Ken Miller, Palmyra Town Supervisor

Ken Miller, Palmyra's new Town Supervisor, was our speaker today. He began by thanking the club for inviting him to speak and giving a personal history of his life. He has lived in Palmyra for 35 years and has two grown sons, who will both live in the general area soon. He also lost his wife of many years back in June.

Ken serves on two committees: the Economic Development Committee and Public Works. He has appreciated all the support he received while running and since being elected as Supervisor from area people.



Ken replaced long-time Town Supervisor Dave Lyon. Although he has big shoes to fill, Lyon did a good job of not leaving loose ends and Ken is committed to keeping the quality of life in Palmyra that the people here have come to love. Although Lyon was part-time, Ken Miller's position is now full-time. He is also adding evening and weekend hours to better accommodate the people who he serves.

Ken intends to look for more opportunities for Palmyra, beginning with the new water projects. He also will review all the services that residents receive and compare that to what residents feel are required. He intends to provide what his customers want. Miller also is working for opportunities to increase the lines of communication within the community. Another big goal that Miller has is to invest in the facilities for our Highway Departments, beginning with heating the facility where our trucks are kept.

A very important goal to many residents that Ken intends to focus on is to increase the tax base of Palmyra, in turn looking to launch more commercial ventures in the area that can alleviate the tax burden of the residents. As stated already, he intends to keep the quality of life that keeps the residents of Palmyra here and happy.

Ken encourages anyone to contact him with questions or comments, and he is looking forward to the challenges of serving our community in his newly appointed position.

Missing in Action

K. Clement, M. Clement, G. Bassage, M. Courtney, R. Kommer, J. McGovern, M. Rutkowski, E. VerPlank, P. Dean, G. Haigh, E. Chapman, N. Farrell, R. Leopard, L. Vecchiotti, P. VerPlank, P. Park, A. Pechler, N. Schrader, V. Daly, C. Ford, R. Hamblin.

Thoughts and Prayers

- PD Jim Holden is in the hospital with complications since December.
- Dave Nagle's wife is having an operation this week.
- Thoughts and prayers for the family of Rita O'Herbein.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

- Elena Vasquez
- Ray Warrick, Rush-Henrietta Rotary
- Jim Bildta, guest of Eric Chapman
- Ken Miller, speaker
- Kathleen Denniston, Meals on Wheels
- Sandy Pagano and Terri Nichols, Gananda Rotary

Happy Bucks and Confessions

- Cindy Surline gave an “unhappy buck” for the closing of the Palmyra Nothnagle Real Estate office. She assured everyone that she and Bob Sloan are still very much here to serve the needs of Palmyra and Macedon – she joked about fellow Rotarian and Real Estate agent John Denniston and gave a couple extra bucks for it!
- Dave Read gave a happy buck for Pal-Mac Wrestling winning the BBB Sectional Crown at Bath and really cementing that they are the best.
- Bob Sloan gave an unhappy buck for the cancellation of a planned trip to DC to take Elena.
- Eric Chapman gave a happy buck for his first Sabres game – and in box seats to which he was invited.
- Bob Sloan purchased the Exempt Button for \$7.

Rotary News

- Kathy Denniston from was present to accept a \$1,000 check from our club for the Meals on Wheels program. She was very appreciative of the continued support our club has given the program.



- Sandi Pagano and Terri Nichols from the Gananda Club came to ask for support for care packages they are sending to US Troops overseas. We have participated with them in the past. We need a volunteer to coordinate the collection of items. Please think about giving any of the following, and remember that they should be individually wrapped items:
 1. Slim Jims, Cheese or Peanut Butter crackers, Little Debbie snacks, cookies, Rice Krispy treats, mini candy bars, hardy candy, gum
 2. Batteries, Rubber balls, ping pong balls and paddles, ear buds, cross word puzzles, Sudoku, Word searches, magazines, hand sanitizer, chapstick, small Kleenex
 3. Peeps, small choc. Rabbits, Hershey kisses, jelly beans, mini peanut butter cups, Cadbury eggs, grass for easter baskets

They also wanted to let us know that the Gananda Rotary Club is very open to serving together on projects within the community together.



- Each individual club member is asked to keep the following events and dates in your calendars. It is critical that each member participate in as many events as possible. There are citizens in the Pal-Mac community who count on our organization to help them in their hour of need.
 1. Tues., March 16th, 2010 the Lions/Rotary Joint Dinner @ VFW (sign-up sheet)
 2. Saturday, March 27th, 2010, District 7120 Assembly (Calkins Rd. Middle School, Pittsford, NY [see Joan Shaffer])
 3. Saturday, April 17, 2010 the 60th Anniversary Dinner for the Pal-Mac Rotary Club @ VFW (sign-up sheet): 6 pm social hour and 7 pm dinner. Also we need names of community volunteers members would like to invite to this event, which will be celebrating volunteerism in the Pal-Mac community. **NEED NAMES ASAP!**
 4. April 23-25 District 7120 2009-10 Conference in Albany, NY (see D. Pray for registration packets)

- 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 Rotary Spelling Bee will be on Feb. 20. We have a team participating, so be at the BonTon Court in Eastview Mall to cheer them on!
- Beginning in March, our meetings will be back at the VFW. Our Feb. 24 meeting will be at Parkwood.
- Feb. 20 is Amerks Hockey night for Rotary.
- The Oratorical Semi-Final for Palmyra will be held on 2/27 at 10 am at Red Jacket High School. Please come support our student contestant, Samantha Foote.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Bob Culver turned 83!
- Jim Bush also had a birthday

50/50 Winner

Won by Jim Bush!

Upcoming Programs and Presenters

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| 2/17/10 | Mary Courtney - Earthwatch teacher fellowship at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center |
| 2/24/10 | Club Assembly – Parkwood Heights |

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