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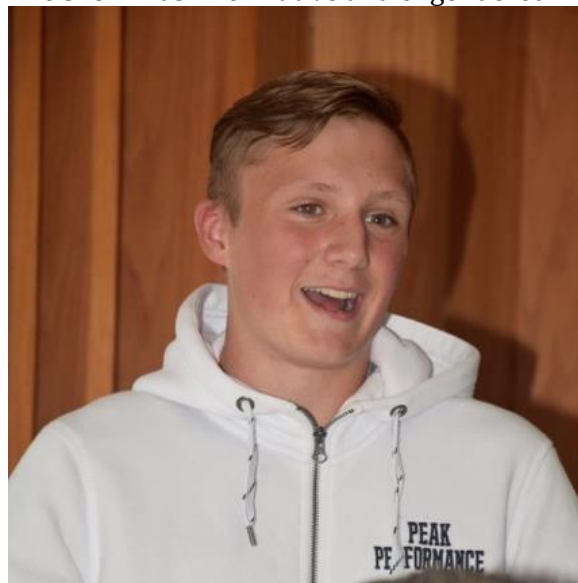


A photographic tour of ONSEYAWA



Ef Adnopus shared a 50 photo show of Camp ONSEYAWA that featured club members setting up and staffing the Carnival, campers participating in various carnival activities, and the campers and counselors in their day to day routines. Ef reminded us visually of our club's role in donating and re-erecting the Camp HQ building. It had formerly been a Boy Scout cabin on the lands of the Rotary Woods opposite the water plant on 54A. He also showed the swimming pool that the Rotary Clubs from our end of the district donated to Camp Babcock Hovey.

We got to see our fishing poles in use on the Seneca Lake dock, though Ef's wife **Susan**, waterfront director, shared that one camper who was learning to cast a lure away from the dock threw the whole pole out into deeper water. That pole and several dropped ones were retrieved by staff. Ef helped us see that there is so much that we take for granted that become obstacles to overcome by our grateful campers. This is the place they come to where they are not told what they cannot do, but here you can try and you can do almost anything. Ef frequently remarked how safe and supported the campers are. There is a counsellor who supports them and mentors them closely for two weeks. The show was informative and engendered many emotions....thanks Sue and Ef.



Exchange Student

Who can't love this guy!!!! Our club has been given this outgoing, bright, charming young man for 10 months, so let's enjoy him. Last week, **Elias** was seen escorting a princess in the Home Coming Court, dined out at the Top of the Lake and attended the Home Coming Dance. He is active on the Men's Varsity Soccer team, and so far, has accepted every challenge shown him. His English is really very good, so invite him to your home or on a local trip. You will be richly rewarded.

News and Notes of interest

Elias' host family for the next several months is Jeff and Kristen Bray, 2392 Widow Hill Rd. Their contacts are: home phone – 536-8869; Kristen's email – k2bray@gmail.com.

Ef A was seen with a cane, and when asked to explain, he reported that he'd been trying to do some car repairs, during which he wrenched his back and now has a pinched nerve and its complications.

Deb F-C showed up in good form and reported that her schedule allows better attendance. She missed everyone...as we missed her too.

Dyke W mentioned being surprised that he was actually not on a conference call with clients and could attend the luncheon. He too was glad to be back and thanked Ef for picking up the slack at Camp ONSEYAWA while he could not attend meetings.

Sue A invoked the Past Presidents' right to fine the seated president pro tempore, **John S**, for some certain transgression the day before. A laughing but contrite PPT agreed to contribute next week.

A dedicated Rotarian, the harried **Jorgen O** confessed that he was leaving for three weeks in Denmark, and hurriedly arranged for a Roadside Cleanup by the Rotary Forest to be next Saturday at 9 AM. Start from the Water Plant.

Sue A reminded us that she is the point of contact if anyone has **gently used winter coats or books** (for ages 5-10) to donate.

Dean M announced that our bell ringing for Christmas for the Needy is December 1st.

John S opened the meeting with the notice that today was the last day of summer. Welcome autumn!

Hearty thanks were sent up for **Diane and Jeff K**. The picnic was one of the best ever.

Steve M reported that **Amy** and **Dave H** send their best regards, have been in California, and are returning this week.

Steve M, besides buying a country home with some acreage, has acquired a pickup truck (new to him, but not new...I hear). Also reported is that the truck is neon blue and probably will blind deer and other drivers.

Sue A asked for prayers for the safety of her nephew who is deploying today for an assignment in Afghanistan.

Dean M reported 5 attended the round table at the Top of the Lake last week, including the returning **Deb F-C**.

Ef A fulfilled his pledge of contributing happy dollars for every Rotarian who showed up to help at the Carnival. Thanks!

Bob Smith reported that his grandson's modified soccer team finally won a game. It is only up from here!

Don O put words to the feelings that many were having at the end of **Ef A's** pictorial review of ONSEYAWA, which showed so many powerful images of kids with needs being helped and given a chance to experience "being normal." THANKS to all who make this happen and thanks for the powerful slide show.

LATE BREAKING NEWS

Our Charlotte Wytias is a winner! A recent member who was a sparkplug with us and has joined a Rotary Club in Colorado where she now lives. She has been selected as "one of our 9Who Care winners! It's a 36-year tradition that focuses on Colorado's true unsung heroes...volunteers. The 9Who Care Board of Governors chose you among many others for this prestigious award. The Board is made up of business and community leaders. This year, we are also recognizing the non-profit organization associated with the 9Who Care winner. We are excited to honor the positive impact of both the individual and of the organization."

Also, **Elias has some upcoming events and needs that we can help meet.**

Soccer Games:

Sat	9/26	6:30 PM	Home field
Mon	9/28	6:30 PM	Home field
Wed	9/30	6:30 PM	Home field

His host family is taking a college trip to Pitt for Parents' Weekend, and Elias will be looking for a weekend home visit with club members for October 3 & 4. If you can help, contact Stacy, Kristen or Jeff.



Birthdays coming up

Stefan Lewandowski	9/24
Jack Clancy	9/25
Sandie Minster	9/25
Ed Balsley	9/27
Diane Krans	10/15
Deb Fabris-Coon	10/18

Fun and Fellowship this week

This week we are back at the Top of the Lake for a buffet of hot and cold sandwiches, macaroni salad and chips. The Rueben sandwiches went fast, but the lemonade was fabulous. The weather was dominated by low humidity making a mid-70 afternoon feel like a cool autumn day. 24 sat at tables, including Elias, two guests and two members awaiting induction (Oct 13th). Guests were:

- Tom Wolandowski – Fairport Rotarian
- Susan Adnopo - wife of Ef
- Patrick T - prospective member
- Bob Smith - prospective member
- Elias – our exchange student
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What's Happening Next

- 9/29 Regular Meeting
- 10/6 Regular Meeting
- 10/13 Board Meeting, 8AM Lyons National Bank
- 10/13 Induction Ceremony for new members
- 10/18 Eastern Cities Dinner

Thanks to our Club Service volunteers for the month of September:

Set up	Rob S
Attendance	Diane K
Pledge Song	Jeff K
Rotary Minute	Tom M
Prayer	Stacy W
Sergeant	Sue A



Autumn in Rotary means training and seminars

President Bob has shared the list of events that might be of some interest to club members:

- 9/26 **One Rotary Summit** (Membership, Public Image, Club Extension), Fairport
- 9/26 Membership Seminar at Harris Beach Office
- 10/3 Full Grants Seminar in Hammondsport
- 10/10 Membership Seminar in Dansville
- 10/18 Eastern Cities Dinner in Rochester
- 11/7 Rotary Leadership Institute in Canandaigua
- 11/15 Foundation Breakfast at FLCC (12:00-3:00 pm) ... NEW PLACE AND NEW TIME

Rotary Minute –

Eastern Cities Dinner is a longstanding meeting in Rochester for Rotarians in many eastern districts. It is usually 800+ Rotarians, spouses and friends who come out for a great, inspirational night about Rotary. The Keynote Speakers are generally the RI president or chair of the Foundation. This year it will be Michael McGovern, Chair Polio-plus. All newly inducted members are invited to the dais where they are personally congratulated and welcomed. In her year, **Diane K** created a lifelong friendship with a former RI President, who greeted her that night.

Elias is expected to attend, and half of the cost of dinner for any club member who attends will be paid by the club. **Reservations must be made immediately...by the 25th**. Contact **Diane K** or **Tom M**.

Join in a project – Feel good

The **Underwood Museum**, allied with the Oliver House in the Yates County History Center, is looking for volunteers to assist in a project to help digitize historical newspapers for inclusion in the electronic archives. They will train the volunteers.

Scarecrow Contest on the streets of Penn Yan will be from October 2nd to November 2nd. Open to all organizations and individuals, the application for a site and inclusion in the contest must be submitted to the Yates County Chamber by September 25th. Is anyone interested in making a colorful contribution to the Halloween/Fall decorations?

5th Annual Yates County Nonprofit Workshop will be held Tuesday, October 13th in the North Education and Conference Center at Keuka College. The topic for this year will be: **Finding and Inspiring Champions for your Organization.** Topics are:

- Recruiting volunteer board members with specific expertise and motivation
- Inspiring members to be effective fundraisers
- Building up members and keeping engagement
- Hearing from a panel of peers on best practices with governance and volunteer engagement

The nonprofit organization training workshop is presented by the Rochester Ad Council and is supported by several grants so that the registration fee for attendees is \$10. If interested, contact Katelin Ryan Pellett at kpellett@adcouncilroch.org or call 585-442-0200, extension 204. We Rotarians give a lot of thought to these issues and find them on our training agendas. If we attend, or get our various other nonprofit leaders to attend, we just might learn something from a different perspective



The ABCs of Rotary

First Names or Nicknames – I know that this Rotary tradition has been mentioned here before, but as you note, your editor struggles to just use first names and still make it clear to readers who is being referenced. So, what shall we do? Start using some nicknames? So far, we only have one John, so we don't have to give him a name like "Showboat John." What do we do about all the Bobs, Toms and Robs? So far, Sandi and Sandie are distinguishable. Dave Graham has a nickname of Doc, and Dave H could be given a few pretty good natured nicknames. So for review, see the following:

From the earliest days of Rotary, members have referred to each other on a first-name basis. Since personal acquaintanceship and friendship are cornerstones of Rotary, it was natural that many clubs adopted the practice of setting aside formal titles in conversations among members. Individuals who normally would be addressed as Doctor, Professor, Mister, the Honorable or Sir are regularly called Joe, Bill, Mary, Karen or Charley by other Rotarians. The

characteristic Rotary club name badge fosters the first-name custom.

In a few areas, such as Europe, club members use a more formal style in addressing fellow members. In other parts of the world, mainly in Asian countries, the practice is to assign each new Rotarian a humorous nickname which relates to some personal characteristic or which is descriptive of the member's business or profession. A member nicknamed "Oxygen" is the manufacturer of chemical gas products. "Trees" is the nickname for the Rotarian in the lumber business, "Building" is the contractor, "Paper" is the stationery or office supply retailer. Other members might carry nicknames like "Muscles," "Foghorn" or "Smiles" as commentaries on their physical features.

The nicknames are frequently a source of good-natured fun and fellowship. But whether a Rotarian is addressed by a given first name or a nickname, the spirit of personal friendship is the initial step that opens doors to all other opportunities for service.



Doing a Make-Up Meeting?

Club members are encouraged to make up for missed meetings whenever possible. One can make up by:

- Visiting neighboring clubs or attending a club while on vacation.
- Log in on District 7150's Internet Club www.rotaryclubNY1.com
- Attend Interact or Rotaract meetings
- Work on a club or district committee
- Attend a district function
- When you have made up a meeting, please be sure to notify Chris Bergman for proper credit. hatzcb@yahoo.com

World Day of Peace

People and nations worldwide will observe the International Day of Peace on 21 September, the date designated by the United Nations in 2001 "to be observed as a day of global ceasefire and nonviolence." That commitment to peace is directly linked to goals pursued by Rotary members since The Rotary Foundation's mission to advance world

understanding, goodwill, and peace was proclaimed
in 1917

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