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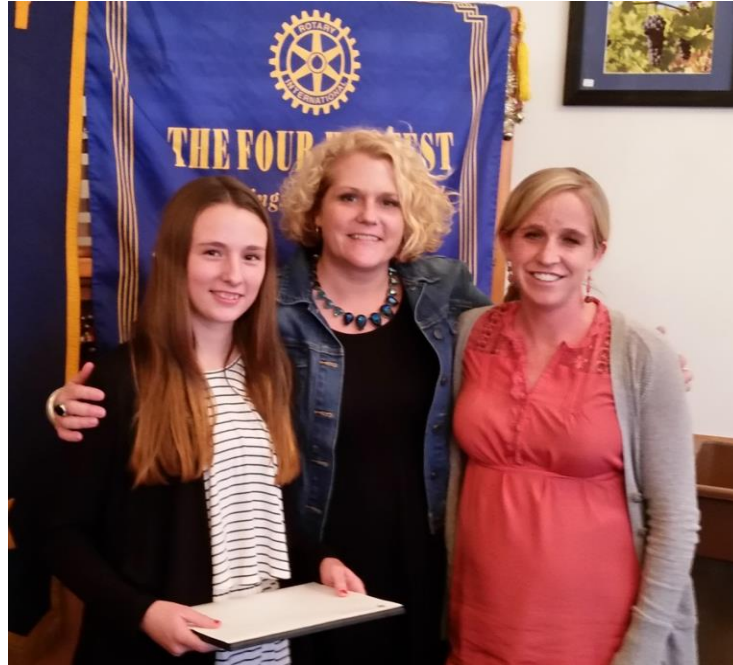
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Mariah Hoover shines in Middle School



Mariah Hoover with Joanne Canty, Guidance Counselor and Meg Trombley, Middle School Social Worker

Mariah earned recognition for her academic performance and her exemplary, quiet leadership throughout the Middle School. She was inspired by a presentation in school and set her personal goal to make a difference. She helped start the school's student to student mentoring project where she and other upperclassmen (women) started mentoring 6th grade girls. She was recently inducted into the National Junior Honor Society with a 95+ average. She is an athlete on the girls' basketball team, a 4-H'er, an Keuka College volunteer and works in the community gardens.

This is your absolute last Chance to make plans for the Rotary Holiday party and Paul Harris Fundraising night. See you there...2926 Coates Road on December 18th, 5:30 PM. Bring a main dish, beverages and a happy heart! Carl, Kerri and the girls are getting ready for the sing-a-long, John has the Santa hats, and our mystery guest is.....well....a mystery!

No meetings on December 22nd and 29th!!! Spread Rotary good cheer among friends and family. Be safe in your travels and return to Penn Yan and Rotary in good spirits and renewed dedication to Service Above Self!!!

News and Notes of interest

President Bob and his mysterious deck of cards has been a source of accounting fun! According to Bob it grew another few bucks between meetings to \$65 this AM, plus another \$14 at the meeting. Carol W drew the King of Diamonds this week. The table right behind the greeter seems to be favored with a spate of recent weekly drawing winners...but no Ace of Spades yet.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELIAS!!!! He asked for a normal birthday song rendition after opening gifts. "Well. That is something I can talk about back home." He is playing basketball and says that the rules are slightly different. He is trying to adjust his game. Support the team's fundraiser....a Spaghetti Dinner at Moose, this Thursday, Dec 17th 5:00-ish he says. Go Mustangs.

Tom H went through a list, shorter every week, of local Radio Days donors, sponsors and advertisers that need to be taken and contacted.

Leon F brought and introduced **Fred Ne Tiabu**, his (our) partner in the Congo Water and Sanitation project. Fred is a PDG and currently District 9150 Foundation Chair. Fred Ne Tiabu hails from R C Kinshasa-Kingabwa, and will be visiting his daughters, a doctor in Chicago and a lawyer in San Diego, both US Citizens. He plans to visit RI HQ while in Chicago and will visit the DGE training sessions in San Diego. He is quite the world traveler and wears a great Rotarian smile.

Tom H offered Auction "Ask Sheets" in need of workers. A little like pulling teeth, but many "volunteered" to do the work. Thanks!

Visitors and last minute program changes saved us all from what **President Bob** referred to as **Tom May's** BIOPSY...err...BIOGRAPHY! Whew!!!

Marilyn, wife of Rotarian **Bob Scharf**, passed away and the club extended its sympathies to Bob. During today's meeting, a moment of silence was observed. For details about this remarkable woman, go visit this website: http://www.olthof.com/obituaries/Marilyn-Scharf/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=autopost#!/Obituary

The kitty was stroked many times in appreciation of our Scholar of the Month, **Mariah**. She is quite an ambassador for our schools. **Bob Smith**, former school superintendent, was the most vocal with praise for her

and the time we put in encouraging and recognizing our great students.

Lots of visiting plans are in the offing. Have fun!

Bob Smith has started filling **Carl Schwartz's** shoes in the singing department. The club's signature song used to be "I wonder as I wander...through this song". Thankfully, Bob has a strong voice and good pitch. ...and he sets a pretty good tempo that pulls us out of the dirge-like tempo that we've fallen prey to in our past. Welcome Bob and Thanks! We might even earn a reputation as a GREAT singing club. <After all it is a great Rotary tradition>

Sue A was away last week delivering diapers to Christmas for the Needy on behalf of KidCare. She reminded us that we helped start it 8 years ago. She nominated **Sandi P** for a future fine for nicknaming her the Diaper Fairy.

Jeff Bray expressed his appreciation for bringing Elias to his family, and was pleased to be with the club today to celebrate **Elias' birthday**.

Exchange students from 7120 and 7150 (Syracuse area) took a NYC trip last weekend. According to **Elias**, lots of activities, including an off-Broadway play, "*Furerza Bruta*" - a theatrical thrill ride combining euphoria-inducing live music and breathtaking aerial displays.

Events inviting your involvement

District Governors Elect Reception starts at Rooster Hill Vineyards, Sunday, January 10th around 3:30 or 4:00. Amy and Dave Hoffman open their doors for a comprehensive wine tasting. Then the group moves to Carol and Rob's home - 280 Route 54-East Lake Road for a dinner buffet. Stacy calls it the best event ever. This year, there are about a dozen DGEs and their spouses from Asia, Europe and South America.



Birthdays coming up

Stacy	Wyant	12/20
Stu	Porter	12/30

Fun and Fellowship this week

We dined on pork, roasted potatoes and salads. The daytime weather was unseasonably warm... temperatures are still in the fifties. We sang several Christmas Carols and old favorites - a bit of a warm up for Friday. 31 at table, including many guests:

- Elias, our exchange student from Finland
- Megan Trombley, Middle School Socialworker
- Joanne Canty, Middle School Guidance
- Mariah Hoover, Student of the Month,
- Mary Ellen Griffith, Mariah's mom
- Kevin Hoover, Mariah's dad
- Ellen Hughes, Past District Governor
- Fred Ne Tiabu, Rotarian from Kinshasa-Kingabwa, Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Bob Green, Rotarian from Rochester Deaf Club
- Jeff Bray, host dad and Asst. Athletic Dir. Keuka
- Diane, daughter of Evelyn

What's Happening Next

- 12/18** Holiday Party and annual Paul Harris Giving tree at the Schwartz's home, 5:30 PM
- 12/22** NO MEETING
- 12/29** NO MEETING
- 1/5** Welcome back – regular meeting
- 1/10** Milt Matthews District Governor Elect Exchange reception at Schwarting/Worth and Rooster Hill Winery - 4:00 PM at Rooster Hill
- 1/12** Board Meeting, LNB conference room 8AM
- 1/12** Argentinian DGE presentation and Assembly



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

Set up	Amy Hoffman
Attendance	Bob Smith
Pledge Song	John Socha
Rotary Minute	Don Oakleaf
Prayer	Sarah Crevelling
Sergeant	Leon Frontier

Rotary's Special Fellowships

As we approach the Christmas and New Year holidays, some of us might spend some time by the fire, in the favorite chair, and reflect on where we've been this year, and where we might go in the future. At moments like this we might think about world travel or joining with new groups of likeminded people for some relaxing fellowship. Others are motivated by continuous learning...setting out every year to be engaged in a new experience.

Well, Rotary has something for us. Fellowships of all kinds are available for just about any life interest. See the list below (each should be a hot link).

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I visited several of the sites, including wine, motor biking and home exchange sites. All were pretty interesting, especially for us, the home exchange site.

Corporate Memberships Coming?

The Board heard a short presentation on the idea of corporate membership. In short, it allows a firm to name 4 individuals who will share the right for one vote and one directorship/officer, while all four can come to meetings and participate in activities. The corporation would pay a special annual fee, and each of the 4 would get the Rotarian and be eligible for other perks.

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.

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- 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

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