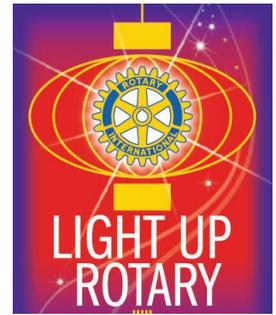


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**"Bail For Paws" - March 13, 2015**

**WANTED**  
**DEAD OR ALIVE**

PLEASE HELP ME  
RAISE MY BAIL!

**"THE PET WHISPERER**  
**\$1000 REWARD**  
The Humane Society Of Yates County

**Tom May needs YOUR help!**  
**Who can help pay his Bail. Make checks payable to the**  
**Yates County Humane Society.**  
**They are a recognized charity and your contribution**  
**will be tax deductible.**

**Highlights from our March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting:**

We celebrated a *Student of the Month* from Penn Yan Academy and the Penn Yan Middle School. Maci Nicholson was nominated as Student of the Month from PYMS. She was accompanied by her mom and dad, Khristina and Joe along with Meghan Gillette, Social Worker and Rachel Hucko, a new teacher involved with Drama Club. Maci is President of her 8<sup>th</sup> grade class, the LEO club and involved in nearly every sports team along with drama. Her work ethic helps other become leaders. Rachel noted that she is respectful and kind to other students



Ashley Gleason and her dad, Steve were present at the meeting. The Penn Yan Rotary Club sponsored Ashley as a Miss Penn Yan Candidate. She spoke about what she gained from being involved in Miss Penn Yan.

Ashley was selected as the 2<sup>nd</sup> runnerup. This has helped her to come “out of her shell” and previously she had little experience with public speaking and feels much more comfortable.

**Sakura** told us about going to Florida and visiting her host mom’s house. She saw an alligator, manatees, but no dolphins. She got to eat fish tacos. Saki taught us two words:

**hello: konnichiwa**  
**warm: atatakai**



Lindsey Hood of PYA was recognized as *Student of the Month*. Her mom Elaina Thomas was with her along with Tim McBride a new teacher this year at PYA. He noted that she is a stand out student. He worked with her to help her with her US history regents with the results being she scored an 86 which is a “mastery” rate.



**Interactors: CAN HUNGER**

Penn Yan Interact Club is constructing a CAN HUNGER structure. They need donations of money in order to purchase particular cans to build their structure. At their last meeting they had a dry run to see how their structure might come together. **YOU** are invited on March 15<sup>th</sup> to Lyons National Bank from 7 to 8 p.m. to watch them build their entry for the competition and enjoy the fun.



**INTERACTORS** are doing a District Interact project and would like the help of Rotarians. They are collecting small size tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoos, conditioners, soap, washcloths, combs and brushes to make toiletry bags to be given to a women’s shelter or kids in crisis (foster care). These bags will be assembled at the District Assembly on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Our goal is 100 bags. If your club could help collect these items and send them to the District Assembly or contact Mary Anne Cooper, District Interact Chair and Dundee Rotarian at [mcooper2@stny.rr.com](mailto:mcooper2@stny.rr.com) that would be wonderful.



**This week Leon has sent photos of the Bolenge School Project.**

“We just completed the 2nd week of work and progress is being made on several fronts. The ground work for the foundation of 3 cisterns is completed and the digging of the pit for one of the latrines will be completed in the next couple of days.



**Pit for Latrines**



**Harvesting river sand**

We also made 1314 cement blocks this week. The production of the cement blocks is quite an operation. We have one very large dugout canoe that goes on the river and collects sand, then they paddle the load back to the shore where the sand is unloaded in a large pile. Young people load the sand in a cart and push and unload it to our work area where the brick-makers mix it with cement and produce 30 blocks per cement bag.



**Cement supply**



**Cement block making**



**Cement blocks**

The folks here are extremely hard workers but I do have to stay on top of things constantly to maintain quality. Negotiating prices with the suppliers is a new experience for me, here I have noticed a negotiation is never settled until money is exchanged for example I just purchased a load of gravel we agreed on a price of \$10/meter cube at the delivery they tell me I need to also pay for the loading and unloading, but with already 2 weeks of constant negotiation I have learned how to handle this kind of situation, I just told them to take their load back, I did not want it anymore. OK! ok! ... where do you want us to unload?

More next week...

Leon”



Fierce Supply guard



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS:

- 3/10 Board Meeting 8:00 am Lyons National Bank
- 3/10 **Suzanna Slack**, Oratorical contestant
- 3/17 Carol Worth Auction Day Highlights
- 3/24 Rotary Branding – **Larry Lehner**
- 3/31 **Patrick Foster**, Director of Camp Cory
- 4/28 **Bag trees** at Schwarting’s 280 East Lake Road Penn Yan at noon
- 4/28 **Deliver trees** to elementary schools 2:00 p.m.

## ROTARY DAY & AUCTIONS

- 3/24 Return donor sheets, ads, sponsorships to the Solicitation Team
- 4/11 ROTARY DAY CELEBRATION – Party and Kickoff at Milly’s: 19 Main Street Penn Yan 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. Let the Bidding Begin
- 4/11<sup>th</sup> to 4/24<sup>th</sup> Online bidding BiddingforGood.com/PennYanRotary
- 4/25 Live WFLR Remote Auction from Milly’s

## Sunshine:

A lot of Rotarians will be reading at Penn Yan Elementary this week. Ryan and Sarah already have. Lots of fun and a great community service.

Mary Ellen and Dean’s daughter, Peggy, fell and was seriously hurt. She lives in Philadelphia and the family needs our prayers.

John Socha fell getting off the chair lift at Gore Mountain, but thankfully there was a “ski bunny” there to help.

Larry ran over his mailbox.

Tom May directly back from San Francisco has a hot friend out there per facebook...his niece.

Bob Scharf’s brother who is 92 moved to the Veterans Administration Hospital

Carl Schwartz says Thorn can now open the car doors while it is moving.

Congratulations to Ryan on making Vice President at LNB and being the parent of a one year old.

Kim Hughes said her son will be one also this week. What a difference a year can make.

Jeff did yeoman’s work keeping up with attendance today with eleven guests and lots of members

Saki won the 50/50.