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### FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF PENN YAN

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## Meetings / Events

Nov 1st - Linda Fox - Book Art

Nov 8th - Club Assembly

Nov 15th - Howard Dennis, Superintendent
of PYCSD, Building Project

Nov 22 - FILED TRIP - Arc of Yates

Dec 2 Star Shine - Ms. Penn Yan

Dec 6 Eastern Cities Dinner

## Birthdays coming up

Dyke Smith 11/18

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

**PENN YAN HALLOWEEN PARTY:** Dave Hoffman is leading our involvement in the Oct 31st 6-8 at Elks Club – Community Halloween Party. Meeting Sunday at 6:00 to bag the candy. Last minute set up Monday at 5:30. Attending are:

Sue Andersen both nights

Jeff and Diane on Sunday

Carol Worth (both) and Rob Schwarting on Monday

**Last Minute Volunteers** can just show up Sunday or Monday. Check in with Dave or Cheryl Sheehan

### **CLUB SRVICE DUTIES FOR NOVEMBER:**

Song / pledge: Bon Smith

Welcome / Attendance: Amy Hoffman

Rotary minute: Sue Andersen Happy dollars: Ryan Hallings

Prayer / Reflection: Evelyn Emerson

## **Eastern Cities Dinner**

It's time to go to Rochester for the annual Eastern Cities Dinner with our RI President. \$45 registration fee is split 50-50 with the club. Well worth your time. Who's going? Dave Hoffman, Jeff and Diane, Bob Smith, Sue and Dave and Kayla Andersen, Sonya, 2 Interact students....and maybe you.

# PDG Jeff Lights Up Interest

**The Rotary Foundation** is such an important part of our Rotary Service efforts, here and abroad. He started our discussion with the Foundation Pamphlet: *Reference Guide*, which covers the foundation from soup to nuts. PDG Jeff directed our attention to various sections of the booklet as he covered the Six Areas of Focus:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and Community Development

Rotary's other focuses are Polio Eradication and Peace Fellows. All funded projects must meet many wellconceived sustainability objectives.

Global Grants are for projects like Leon's water and education project in the Congo. District Simplified Grants are for those projects that we are always doing:

- K-Train and Reading to your Baby
- Cookbooks written for persons with minimal literacy and using locally produced foods
- Benches on the Outlet Trail
- Scholarships for students entering the trades (current year) or for Keuka College (past years)

Jeff covered how the funds are raised, invested and used. Matching grants is an excellent way to leverage more financial help to address serious problems in our community or around the world.

The club spent time in small groups talking about ways that we could help the Penn Yan area with our next District Simplified Grant.

Individuals can review their contribution points by going to MyRotary online. Contributions made this year will influence how much comes back to our district and club two years from next July.

## **Rotary Minute:**

Sue took the opportunity to tell the members how the sponsorship program will work. She has several "styles" of appeal letters, each highlighting a different core value and project of the club. Members are asked to identify 2 past Auction supporters that they want to

contact after the sponsorship letter is sent. She wants to be sending these letters by the first week of November. If you missed the meeting and want to help in this important fund raising effort, call Sue at home or the bank.

## **Happiness and Confessions:**

Tom Hunt says that his harvest will be done this week! Carol, who took a complimentary ride on Tom's grape harvester, lost her keys.... ③ ...then happily found them after walking several rows... ⑤ Was not looking forward to the chore of replacing the only key.

Photo Bob is happily looking forward to the arrival of his daughter for company in the house.

Patrick, the perennial sportster was heard boosting the Cubs: GO CUBS ...odd that an American League follower would cross over the National League...

Leon was ecstatic over all the material he got from attending the District Grant Management Seminar.

Sarah mentioned (bragged or confessed?) that she went to a Kiwanis meeting.

Mary Ellen was happy to learn that a granddaughter had joined the Junior Rotary. Hmmm....tell us more about this.

Sue, Taryn and Carol are hard at work on getting sponsors for Rotary at the Wine Classic and happy to have lined up dozens of names for us to ask. Great work!

Ryan mentioned that his wife was out of town. Does that mean he is a geographic bachelor or is he a Mr. Mom for a few days?

David...the indoor partner at Rooster Hill...is saying he is glad that there is no snow...yet. Hmmm...

Diane reported having an absolutely wonderful weekend....A Spectacular Weekend!!!! And...she mentioned that on their first date she and Jeff were out until 4 AM and have been together these 45 years! Bravo!

The usual Happy Birthdays for Carl, Amy, Sonya and our visiting Canandaigua Rotarian, Mike.

### Interact:

Wow! These kids are on fire! They held a bake sale at Miles Winery on Sunday and raised \$356. The ingredients were donated by the Miles Winery. Their next outing will be a visit to Fox Run Winery to learn how to run a business.

## Avenues of Service - My Rotary

- •Club Service focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- •Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society. Learn more in *An Introduction to Vocational Service* and *the Code of Conduct*.
- •Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. Learn more in Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects and this Community Service presentation (PPT).
- •International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- •Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.

## **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.rotaryeclubNY1.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 Diane Krans for proper credit.

## Rotary Friendship/DGE Exchange

The Rotary Friendship Exchange Program provides a means through which Rotarians in one part of the world can experience life in another country or culture. Its goal is to advance international understanding and goodwill through person-to-person connections across national boundaries.

There are two types of Friendship Exchanges. The first is the Visitor Program in which individual Rotarians, often accompanied by family members, spend a few days in a Rotarian home in another country. The second is the Team Program in which Rotarians, often couples, typically ten to twelve in number, visit several communities in the host district for a period of time up to four weeks. The number of persons on the team and the length of stay are flexible; the districts involved agreeing on those details before the exchange occurs.

Rotarians and their immediate families are eligible to participate in the Visitor Program. Involvement is limited to Rotarians and their spouses in the Team Program. The Rotarian family member must participate in the exchange for spouses and children to be eligible.

As the Team Program operates on a district level, participants stay for a few days with each family for a total time of approximately four weeks. Both districts must agree upon the length of a Team exchange.

In our district the team exchange program is pretty active. Carl Grovanz, Home 315-524-8020, Cell. 585-729-5034, is the 7120 program chair. Recent exchanges have been between districts in New Zealand and Oregon. Call Carl Grovanz to get involved.

District 7120 also conducts a special goodwill program called the Milt Matthews District Governor Hospitality program. It has been running for decades and provides foreign DGEs a visit to the Finger Lake and Rochester with side trip to Niagara Falls. For years, one or more guest DGE and spouse has stayed at a home in the Penn Yan area and visited our club. This year, the guests will be visiting the southern half of our district January 6-10. As has been the custom for several years, there will be a wine tasting and reception on Sunday of that weekend. This year, Rob and Carol will be hosting a couple from District 9600 – South East Queensland, Australia. Put January 8<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and come out to meet other District Governors on their way to the International training session in Dan Diego.