



The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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Today's Program: Jillian Carter, Heritage Christian Services

Next Week: Stephanie Specchio, Potter's Hands Foundation – Human Trafficking

Meeting Notes from: February 6, 2025

Pledge/4-Way Test/Rotary Vision: President Kim

Inspiration: Mark Sheppard

Song: Mark Sheppard – R-O-T-A-R-Y

Congratulations to Tom & Megan Lacrosse on the birth of their daughter, Lily Joleen!!

Guests: Janet Tenreiro introduced Greg Heiler, who is a prospective member. This was Greg's third meeting, and he will soon be inducted as a member. We also had three Interact students at our meeting. They have been busy working concessions at the basketball games and will be holding a 'soup-er' bowl fundraiser at school, collecting food items for those in need.

Visiting Rotarians: Terri Hall, from Anchorage South Rotary Club, was in attendance. Terri had to come 'home' to take care of a red squirrel problem at her house here in Bristol. She thanked President Kim and Scott Kesel for helping her with the squirrel problem. The squirrels not only filled her car engine compartment full of nuts, but they also managed to go after every Kleenex box she had in her home. (They must have one big, soft, Kleenex nest built somewhere.)



Announcements: President Kim said there will be a Board meeting on Wednesday, February 12th at Ray's Restaurant beginning at 8:00am. Any member is welcome to attend. If you want breakfast, please arrive before 8am to order. Kathi Nevin provided information on the annual flower bouquet sale for Light Hill. Kathi will be taking orders for the bouquets at our next meeting. Orders need to be placed by February 17th and must be paid for in advance. Bouquets will be delivered on March 3rd at our weekly meeting. If you won't be able to attend on that day, let Kathi know and she will make arrangements to get the flowers to you. Ed O'Connor spoke about the gas raffle, which has now started. Tickets are available from Ed. Each ticket is \$10, and our club hopes to sell 500 of them. If all tickets are sold, our club will net \$2700. There will be two \$500 winners, and four \$250 winners. The drawing will be on April 17th at our weekly meeting. Janet Tenreiro said Bob Palumbo reached out to her to let her know Honorary Rotarian, Jeff Young has been moved permanently to MM Ewing Continuing Care Center and his wife, Carol is now living at Clark Meadows. Bob also shared Honorary Rotarian, Doug Lowden is still at the County Home and not doing well. Doug can have visitors, so if you can, stop by to see him.

Din's Weekly Report: Din was not at Rotary this week, however President Kim reported Din had gone skiing last week and had a wonderful time doing so.

Happy Dollars / Fines:

- ✚ Al Walker was happy to be at the meeting despite the ice.
- ✚ Curt Bailey thanked Interact student, Lilah, for the 2 hours she spent ringing the Salvation Army Bell. He also shared with Interact information about our upcoming Bowl-a-Thon on March 23rd.

✦ **Ellen Polimeni** asked Lilah to share information about her involvement with a 1st Amendment - 1st Vote event happening at the high school in March. Lilah said the event will be in a roundtable format during three lunch periods. Guest speakers will be business leaders and those involved (current & past) in government. Our club donated money to 1st Amendment – 1st Vote (a non-partisan, civics opportunity for high school teens who identify as girls to engage in the democratic process and to imagine themselves in elected office or professional government-related jobs.)

✦ **George Herren** thanked President Kim for our weekly 'Ho(ME) Work cards.

✦ **Doug Merrill** was happy for now being in Rotary for three years.

✦ **Paul Harvey** paid up for a couple of trips he took and for leaving his new puppy for two weeks as he took those trips. While in California, Paul happened to meet a gentleman by the name of Rob Martin who turned out to be Kent Gilges' brother-in-law.



Per Punxsutawney Phil
– winter is hanging
around for a while. : (

I See You Award: President Kim awarded this week's 'I See You Award' to President Elect, **Kent Gilges**.



Program: Paul Harvey – Trivia Contest

Most of us found this round of trivia to be rather difficult. Out of a possible score of 30, the winning table (Janet & Kim Tenreiro and Greg Heiler) had 19 correct answers.

Joker Draw:

With 31 cards remaining in the deck, Ellen Polimeni had the first winning ticket and opted to draw for the Joker. Unfortunately, she drew the three of spades. Larry Robinson held the second winning ticket and won \$12.

Polio Plus: \$95 was collected for Polio Plus.

Upcoming Rotary Events:

1st Friday @ The Beehive – February 7th

Fire & Ice Festival (gas raffle): February 22nd & 23rd

Pop-Up Food Pantry @ Town Barn: February 24th

Rotary Learning Institute (Johnson City): March 1st

Rotary Scholarship Bowl-a-Thon: March 23rd

District Learning Assembly/ Clifton Springs – April 5th

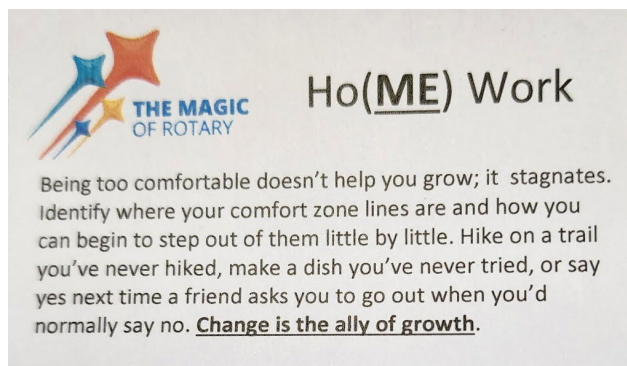
Arbor Day Tree Bagging @ Gullo's House – April 24th

District Conference: May 2-4, 2025, Corning

2025 Flag Project Begins – Week of Memorial Day

International Convention – June 21-25, 2025, Calgary

Arts in the Gardens @ Sonnenberg – June 29th



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and ourselves
"Better than Before"

