



“The Peal”

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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MEETINGS
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TODAY’S PROGRAM: Caandaigua Academy Players - “Footloose”
NEXT WEEK: CA Robotics Demonstration; Dan Bowman

NOTES FROM FEBRUARY 8th MEETING



Pledge:
President **Nancy Stelnyk**

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests: **Janet Tenreiro** introduced Addie Baker

Remembrance: Our thoughts and prayers go out to **Mark Vahey** and family on the recent passing of Bonnie Vahey.

Get Well Wishes: **Jeff Anthony** recently had back surgery. **Al Walker** fell recently and missed our meeting. We hope for a successful recovery for both of them.

February Board Meeting Results

- Set the rate for Corporate Membership at \$250 which will cover a primary staff member and three associates who can attend if the primary is unable to attend.
- Approved \$1000 toward a Global Grant for a Uganda Water Project that Rochester Rotary is working on.
- We have one representative for the District 7120 Vocal Contest: Maya Fantauzzi, a Canandaigua Academy chorus member who recently was part of our RPO Holiday Concert.
- The Camp Onseyawa assessment has gone from \$45 per member to \$55 per member.
- We received an annual donation from Lyons National Bank (LNB) for 2024 in the amount of \$1500, which has been earmarked for the December 2024 RPO Concert being held on December 5th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meat Raffle: **Ed O’Connor** announced that half the tickets are sold. Get your tickets sold and monies turned in ASAP. We’ll have a table at the upcoming downtown Fire & Ice Festival on February 17th & 18th selling tickets. Ed needs volunteers that day to man the table.

Exchange Student: Stine and her host sister went ice skating. She also attended an RIT hockey game where she bought a jersey. She’s going skiing this weekend.

The Light Hill Comfort Care Home is holding their annual spring fundraiser. Floral bouquets are \$15. Orders are being taken by **Donna Miller**. All monies for the flowers must be paid by February 15th. The bouquets will be delivered to the March 7th Rotary meeting.

Fines



Happy Dollars

Doug Merrill is thankful for being a member of our club – it’s amazing what we do. He said he’d have to live to 120 to beat **George Herren**’s attendance record!

Bob Palumbo and several city council members attended the Council of Mayors meeting in New York City recently.

Mark Vahey hopes that his wife is joining her mother and sister in heaven.

Program

Tom Rogers, our Club Foundation Chair, talked about the Rotary International Foundation, which is one of the highest rated charitable foundations, as only 8-9% of funds are used for administration costs. The Annual Fund of the foundation has 7 areas of focus: supporting the environment; Peace Building & Conflict Prevention; Basic Education & Literacy; Disease Prevention & Treatment; Water Sanitation & Hygiene; Community Economic Development; and Maternal & Child Health.

Monies donated to the RI Foundation are invested for 3 years. Through the SHARE program, at the end of 3 years 50% of the monies go into the World Fund. The other 50% comes back to our district as District Designated Funds, where half of that goes to District Simplified Grants and the other half goes for Global Grants that our district clubs are involved in.

- There are several ways to give to the RI Foundation:
- Become a Benefactor where you tell Rotary that you’ll give \$1000 upon your death.
 - Give an Endowment where the principal is invested and any interest earned can go to any of the RI Foundation funds you select.
 - Give directly to a Global Grant.

Over the last four years \$275,000 of the District Designated Funds has been distributed to area Rotary clubs. Recently \$25,000 was allotted to help Ukrainian families who have relocated to our area.

Tom stressed that even small amounts given to the RI Foundation can help, as \$15 buys polio vaccines and \$50 buys water filters. You can contribute weekly at the lunch registration table. Or you can give a check to our Foundation Chair (**Tom Rogers**) or go to www.Rotary.org. Our club is a 100% Foundation Giving Club and every member is a Paul Harris Fellow. Remember the phrase for giving to RI Foundation: “Every Rotarian, Every Year”.

50/50: **Ellen Polimeni** got the cash and **Jodi Kaufman** didn’t draw the joker.



Speaker Gifts: for the month of February the weekly stipend will be donated to Gleaners Kitchen.