



The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



Meeting Thursdays 12:15 p.m. American Legion Post #256 454 North Main Street	"CREATE HOPE in the WORLD" www.canandaiguarotary.org Club 4765, District 7120, Organized Apr. 24, 1919	Publication Date: June 20, 2024 No. 44 Volume 103
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Today's Program: Boylan Code Law Firm – Russ Kenyon

Next Week: Club Changeover

Meeting notes from June 13, 2024

Pledge: Marty Potter

Song: Clark Kurtz – You're a Grand Old Flag

4-Way Test: Marty Potter

Announcements:

Mary Green presided over reading the role of deceased past Presidents and a moment of silence. **Gloria Dancause** said the Historical Society needs volunteers for the July 13 garden tour. Call OCHS (394-4975) if interested.

Program: Past Presidents Day: **Marty Potter** recapped the club history of 105 years since chartered boasting 9 past district governors. Today's fundraiser will benefit Neighbor to Neighbor which meets otherwise unmet emergency community needs. Revived in 2020 they process 3-6 requests for emergency funds weekly. To date over \$500,000 has been distributed.

Rick Hawks served as MC and vainly tried to limit sharing to 45. He was ably assisted by **Mark Sheppard**. The duo sported period hats to symbolize the long legacy of our club's contributions to the community over its 105-year history.

We are fortunate to boast a long list of past Presidents in attendance each of whom was asked for a short remembrance of their Presidential year. In chronological order they are:

Jeff Young (76-77): expressed big thanks for the invitation to be here. Instituted Ladies Night at the club (prior to Rotary allowing women to be members) and a Christmas Children's program.

Bob Palumbo (85-86): renovations of burnt-out house resold for profit and funds donated to emergency squad.

Tom Mees (05-06): shared tribute to past Presidents authored by **Mike Shipley** (77-78).

Jean Logan (98-99): expressed thanks for inclusion in this august body of past Presidents.

Rick Hawks (94-95): hosted the first international exchange of Rotarians from Italy and celebrated 50 years of Rotary membership.

Ben Gullo (86-87): presided over inclusion of the first women members of Rotary and shamelessly solicited golfers for an upcoming Kiwanis tournament. This at the behest of his wife Sharon.

Mike Wilcox (5 times President): inducted 1st female Rotarians in his former district, built kitchens in Argentina, stocked Brazilian cancer center, & much more.

Mark Sheppard (01-02): shepherded in the jackpot draw, an idea purloined from another club, which is still going strong at our club meetings. The Malawi Children's Village project was also started during his year.

Scott Kesel (97-98): learned being President opened many opportunities. And happy for his daughter's recent marriage.

Steve Uebbing (03-04): presided over the year the RPO Holiday Concert began and celebrated connecting with many other Rotarians.

PDG Janet Tenreiro (04-05): led the club's centennial year, made large contribution to Happiness House, brought collaboration with Hochstein Music School to Canandaigua, and helped bring the Beach Boys to CMAC.

PDG Tom Rogers (06-07): began the dictionary distribution project and participated in a three-district conference at Turning Stone.

Donna Miller (07-08): brought us Rotary Shares and hosted two exchange students. And, as of 6/28/24 is officially retired.

Jack Moran (09-10): supercharged Pier Fest attendance by having sponsors underwrite the costs resulting in a 10-fold increase in attendance. Also managed to increase club membership by 35 and established the bowl-a-thon.

Jeff Anthony (11-12): focused on connecting with members and having fun at Rotary. Also, the bike safety program became a signature project.

Greg Gullo (12-13): orchestrated moving the meetings to the Moose Club.

Mary Green (14-15): pledged to donate \$1 more than whatever Floyd Rayburn (her brother) pledged to donate.

Joe Delforte (15-16) engineered relocation of club meetings to the Wine and Culinary Center.

Ellen Polimeni (16-17): developed a club strategic plan. She loves Rotarians for their willingness to contribute outside of Rotary projects.

Marty Muehe (17-18): finally found a permanent home (we hope) for club meetings at the American Legion.

Mike Schiller (21-22): reinvigoration of live meetings after Covid. Participated in one project a month including Wi-Fi hotspots at the library, Party in a bag, and adoption of a family at Christmas.

Marty Potter (22-23): In concert with current President **Nancy Stelynk** orchestrated raising funds for the just dedicated Central on Main project and served during the year of the first female Rotary International President, **Jennifer Jones**.

Total funds raised: Just over \$5,400.00

Non-Past-President contributions were received from: **Dave Korpiel, Jay Dutcher, Ken Poole, Adeline Rudolph, Kim Tenreiro, Nancy Stelnyk, Doug Merrill, Jodi Kaufman, Clark Kurtz, Ray Henry, Chris Hubler, Paul Harvey, Floyd Rayburn and George Herren**

Jackpot Draw and 50/50:

Ellen Polimeni collected \$21. Donated back **Mary Green** drew the 10 of Clubs

