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Oswego Rotary's Weekly Newsletter

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Paul Scott, Ass't. Governor, Area 10 (Oswego)

D. K. Lee, Rotary International President (Korea)

NEXT MEETING

When: October 28, 2008
Where: King Arthur's Steakhouse
Program: Joette Deane – Water Project

Today's Meeting Date: October 21, 2008

Welcome and Call to Order: 12:15 p.m.

Patriotic Song: God Bless America (led by Bruce Frassinelli)

The Pledge: Shawn Seale

Invocation: Ken Hayes

Second Song: Smile, Sing A Song (led by Bruce Frassinelli)

Current Club Membership: 44

Visiting Rotarians:

Steven Perkins (Watertown Rotary Club)

Honorary Rotarians:

None today

Guests:

Steve Sayer, Rachel Kesler, Harrison Wilde, and Senator & Mrs. Darrel Aubertine

Student Guests:

Mallorie Shannon and William Darvill (Oswego High School)

Birthdays:

Roger Modi (Oct 5); Bob Wood (Oct 31)

Anniversaries:

John Fitzgibbons (12th); Tom Kearns (11th); Ken Hayes (8th); Bill Crist (4th)

Fines/Happy Dollars:

Rick Tesoriero and Paul Heins collected several fines and happy dollars today.

50-50 Raffle:

Mark DuFore won \$5 in today's raffle and donated it to the club. He was unsuccessful, however, in drawing the Ace of Spades and claiming the "grand jackpot" of \$100.

Meeting Adjourned:

1:00 p.m.

We were pleased to see those of you who attended today's meeting:

Cora Brumley, Ed Caraccioli, Pete Colucci, Bill Crist, Joette Deane, Mark DuFore, Karen Ferguson, Bruce Frassinelli, Tim Gleason, Terry Gorman, Ken Hayes, Paul Heins, Joe Hutchinson, Sabine Ingerson, Tom Ingram, Deana Masuicca, Charles Platt, Deb Robillard, Frank Sayer, Viv Sayer, Paul Scott, Shawn Seale, Ann Seifried, Selma Sheridan, Dick Shineman, Rick Tesoriero, Vern Tryon, Dave Welsch, Stephen Wise, and Bob Wood.

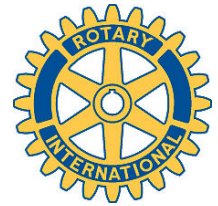
Reporting Make-Ups: If you wish to use Meals on Wheels, a committee meeting, or participation in a Rotary event as a make-up for a missed meeting, please send an email to Paul Scott with "Make-Up Notification" as the subject and list the missed date, make-up date, and type of make-up.

Job Well Done Recognition Award: None today



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Rotary Minute: From Paul Harris (*Our Neighbors on the South*, 1937 Rotary International Archives): "It is well that there is nothing in Rotary so sacred that it cannot be set aside in favor of things better. This is an experimental age in a changing world, and all things which are worth while and progressive are the cumulative effects of preceding successes and failures. The trees planted in Valparaiso and other cities visited during the course of our trip presumably will stand for generations as living expressions of international peace and good will. Thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands, of people will rest in their grateful shade, and the eyes of most of them will be directed to the tablets bearing the message of good will." (Paul Harris's comments were made after planting a "friendship tree" in Valparaiso, Chile.)

Calendar:

October 25	Rotary International Foundation Seminar (The Links at Erie Village, East Syracuse)
October 25	Make A Difference Day
October 29	83 rd Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner (Rochester Riverside Convention Center, Rochester)
November 4	Oswego Rotary Club Election Day Spaghetti Dinner (Oswego High School, 5:00-7:30 PM)
November 14	Bruce Frassinelli Recognition & Appreciation Dinner at The American Foundry (further details below)

Bruce Frassinelli Recognition & Appreciation Dinner:

The Oswego Rotary Club cordially invites you to attend a dinner celebration of the Central New York life and contributions of Bruce Frassinelli as he and Marie prepare to leave Oswego for their new home in Pennsylvania.

The dinner will be held on Friday, November 14, 2008, with cash bar at 6:00 PM and dinner at 7:00, at The American Foundry, located behind the Fajita Grill, near C's Farm Market, at 246 West Seneca Street (Route 104, West), in Oswego. Bruce is aware of our plans.

Reservations on the attached form, with checks payable to "Oswego Rotary Foundation," must be received by Monday, November 10. Space is limited, so reservations will be accepted in the order in which payment is received. Please mail reservations to Vernon Tryon, 3 Margaret Street, Oswego, NY 13126. Forms may be faxed to 315-343-9692 or emailed to Vernon@Tryon.com and followed up with a check by US mail. Questions may be directed to 315-343-9692.

Please share this invitation with others who may be interested.

Bruce prefers that no gifts be given to him, but anyone who desires to do otherwise is asked to consider a separate check payable to "*The Rotary Foundation*."

Whether or not you can attend the dinner, we invite you to write a letter to Bruce and send it to Vernon Tryon, 3 Margaret Street, Oswego, NY 13126 by November 10, to be included in a collection that will be presented to him.

We look forward to a joyful celebration on November 14th.

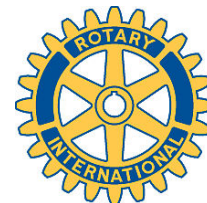
Announcements:

- Vern Tryon announced that this Saturday, October 25, the Oswego Public Library will hold its official opening at 12:30-4:00 PM, and he urged each of us to attend and to check out the library's "Community Room" -- the furnishings for which our club and the Oswego Sunrise Club raised the funds to purchase.
- Stephen Wise asked us to donate winter outer garments and manual wheelchairs in support of this year's "Make-A-Difference-Month" efforts.



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- Each of us, as Rotarians, has recently been issued a "challenge" by Bill and Melinda Gates in the attempt to eradicate polio. Please see the challenge below.
- District 7150 will hold its annual Rotary International Foundation Seminar on Saturday, October 25 at The Links at Erie Village in East Syracuse, N.Y. The meeting will begin at 8:00 AM and conclude at 1:00 PM. The cost of the seminar, which will include both breakfast and lunch, is \$35 per person. Please contact President Shawn for further details.
- The 83rd Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner, featuring Rotary International President D. K. Lee, will be held on Wednesday, October 29 at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center, 123 East Main Street, Rochester, N.Y. The cost of the dinner is \$45 per person. Please contact President Shawn for further details.
- Oswego Hamilton Homes is putting together a Halloween event for Friday, October 31, to be called the "Hamilton Homes Halloween Hunt." The Oswego Hamilton homes office and yard area directly in front will be transformed into a Haunted House complete with carnival games, music, and treats. Volunteers to help with this project are being sought. Individuals interested in participating are encouraged to attend a planning meeting on Monday, September 22 at 10:00 AM in the Hamilton Homes office (Apt. 159). Please contact Kathy Alibrandi at 472-3820, 263-6473, or 432-8542 for further details.
- The Annual Rotary Spelling Bee will be held on Saturday, March 14. If you are interested in serving as the announcer for this event, please contact Deb Robillard.
- If you haven't yet done so, please consider contributing to The Rotary Foundation. All contributions are welcome.
- Members who have programs to sponsor for any of our luncheon meetings are asked to contact Shawn Seale, Melanie Trexler, or Bill Crist.

\$100 Million Challenge From Bill and Melinda Gates:

Rotary District 7150, encompassing 47 Rotary Clubs across Central New York, is launching a three-year campaign to eradicate polio from the world. Polio, a crippling and often fatal disease no longer present in the U.S., still plagues some areas of the globe. Because of its priority effort to vaccinate children wherever polio strikes, Rotary International this year received a \$100 million matching grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to finish the job.

"Central New York Rotarians are committed to raising \$50,000 a year for three years to help meet that \$100 million challenge," announced 2008-09 District Governor Larry Calabrese of Whitesboro. "We're joining Rotary districts around the world in this campaign to lower child mortality and make our world polio-free."

Calabrese made the announcement at the recent annual District Conference, held this year in Alexandria Bay, where he also introduced Polio Campaign Chair Mike Occhipinti of Rome, a polio survivor himself.

"Ninety nine percent of the world is polio-free, but it's the last one percent that is the most difficult," Occhipinti said. "India, Nigeria, Afghanistan and Pakistan are areas where outbreaks of polio still maim or kill children. Mobilizing vaccination teams, getting refrigerated vaccine to remote areas, and overcoming geographical, political, religious and cultural barriers are daunting challenges, both financially and operationally." "That's why," he added, "Bill and Melinda Gates have given us \$100 million and have asked us to raise another \$100 million, and finally make the world polio-free."

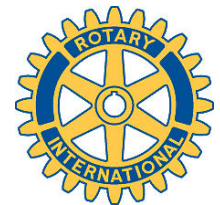
Occhipinti said his committee was raising some money at the district level and at the same time was asking each club to raise \$1,000 a year for three years to help meet the district's \$150,000 commitment. He explained that clubs would be raising dollars in a variety of ways:

- holding fundraisers ranging from auctions to pancake breakfasts and other events.
- seeking corporate sponsorships.
- partnering with schools and youth groups to have young people participate in a "Pennies for Polio" drive.



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"Young people can make a difference by collecting coins in 'Pennies for Polio' canisters," Occhipinti noted. "We'd like to see this happen during 'Make a Difference Week', the last week in October." For every \$1.20 that school children raise, "we'll be able to provide vaccine for two children; we'll be able to save two lives," Occhipinti said. For every \$1,000 that corporate sponsors provide, "we'll be able to provide vaccine for 1,667 children." "So the people and companies of Central New York really can make a difference," Occhipinti said.

Anyone interested in joining with Rotary to eradicate polio may contact a local Rotary Club or District Polio Chair Occhipinti at 315-337-2405.

Today's Program: Shawn Seale introduced NYS Senator Darrel Aubertine, who is running for reelection against Dave Renzi this November 4. Senator Aubertine began his remarks by noting that although he is not a member of Rotary, he has had the opportunity to work with Rotary on several occasions, most recently by helping to obtain the funding to rebuild the Clayton Boathouse, a venture sponsored by the Clayton Rotary Club. "We're in uncharted waters when it comes to the economy," he stated. "The more important question is what to do about it." According to Senator Aubertine, the recent "bailout" approved by Congress will help. Although he supports the bailout, he does have some reservations concerning its implementation as regards accountability. Senator Aubertine also stated, "It's easy to let the news that we see get us down. Let's not lose sight of the future and all the things we can take advantage of." In response to questions from the floor, Senator Aubertine noted that he believes we should attempt to focus on energy sources such as nuclear plants, ethanol production, wind energy, and the redevelopment of hydroelectric power. He prefers "Plan B+" to "Plan 2007" as a means of managing the water levels of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River (Plan B+ will essentially provide for higher water levels on average in the spring and fall) because he believes its implementation will help our regional economy and better protect the environment. Senator Aubertine noted that he supports a "property tax cap," but one that is linked to the principle of "mandate relief" ("If you have a good idea – then pay for it."). And, finally, he indicated that he also supports a "circuit breaker property tax cap" based on one's ability to pay – but he made it clear that this type of relief must be paid for as well. Thanks you for visiting us today, Senator Aubertine, and for sharing your views with us!

ASSIGNMENTS FOR MEALS ON WHEELS AND FRONT DESK/BANNER

St Luke's Meals on Wheels

Reminder for Meals on Wheels

Front Desk and Banner

Oct 21	DuFore/Ferguson		Oct 21	Scott/Seifried
Oct 28	Sunrise Club		Oct 28	Spencer/Trexler
Nov 4	Ferguson/Gleason		Nov 4	Tryon/Welsch
Nov 11	Gleason/Fitzgibbons		Nov 11	Welsch/Wise
Nov 18	Fitzgibbons/Gorman		Nov 18	Wise/Wood
Nov 25	Sunrise Club		Nov 25	Tesoriero/Zeigler
Dec 2	Granoff/Hayes		Dec 2	Zeigler/Brumley
Dec 9	Hayes/Colucci		Dec 9	Brumley/Crist
Dec 16	Colucci/Ingerson		Dec 16	Crist/Deane
Dec 23	Ingerson/Robillard		Dec 23	Fitzgibbons/Ferguson
Dec 30	Sunrise Club		Dec 30	Ferguson/Murabito



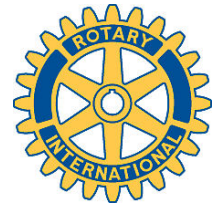
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2008-2009 PROGRAMS

Date	Rotarian	Program
10/28/08	Joette Deane	Water Project
11/04/08	Melanie Trexler	Historical Society
11/11/08	Bruce Frassinelli	Jake Annal (Rotary Spelling Bee)
11/18/08	Diane Dillon	SUNY Oswego Project SMART (Sue Witmer)
11/25/08	Dick Shineman	The Rotary Foundation

Oswego Rotary Board of Directors

Dir-09: Joette Deane	Dir-10: John Fitzgibbons	Dir-11: Sabine Ingerson
Dir-09: Tony Henderson	Dir-10: Deana Masuicca	Dir-11: Vernon Tryon
Dir-09: Melanie Trexler	Dir-10: Diane Dillon	Dir-11: Randy Zeigler

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Dir-08 Paul Scott	Dir-09 Bill Crist	Dir-09 Ann Seifried	Dir-10 Shawn Seale
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Paul Harris Fellows (Active Members)

+ Benefactor * Multiple PHF

Edward Caraccioli	Bruce Frassinelli +*	Anthony Murabito *	Ann Seifried	Richard Tesoriero *
William Crist	Paul Heins	Victor Oakes *	Selma Sheridan	Melanie Trexler *
Joette Deane *	Joseph Hutchinson	Frank Sayer +*	Richard Shineman +*	Vernon Tryon *
Mark Dufore *	H. Peter Kaulfuss	Paul Scott +*	Corte Spencer *	David Welsch
Robert Wood				

Rotary Foundation Sustaining Members

William Crist	Bruce Frassinelli	David Granoff	Shawn Seale	Melanie Trexler
Diane Dillon	Sabine Ingerson	Victor Oakes	Ann Seifried	Vernon Tryon
Mark Dufore	Thomas Ingram	Frank Sayer	Selma Sheridan	Robert Wood
Sherwood Dunham	Anthony Murabito	Paul Scott	Richard Shineman	Randy Zeigler

Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member:

An individual who personally contributes \$100 or more each year to the Annual Programs Fund. Contributions are cumulative throughout the Rotary year and donors receive a Sustaining Member badge sticker from the club. Contributions count toward Paul Harris Fellow. Our club will donate an additional \$50 for each individual who personally contributes \$50 or more each year to the Annual Programs Fund.

Honorary Members of the Rotary Club: 2008-2009

> Sustaining Member *Multiple PHF

Valerie Hutchinson	Ruth Sayer (PHF)	Monica Ravindra Shah	Neelesh Ravindra Shaw
Dennis Jerome			