



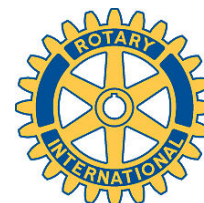
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NEXT MEETING

When: May 12, 2009
Where: King Arthur's Steakhouse
Program: Bill Crist – School Budget

Today's Meeting Date: May 5, 2009

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

Patriotic Song: Battle Hymn of the Republic (led by Randy Zeigler)

The Pledge: Shawn Seale

Invocation: Tim Gleason

Song: Happy Days Are Here Again (led by Randy Zeigler)

Current Club Membership: 45

Visiting Rotarians:

None today

Honorary Rotarians:

Ruth Sayer

Guests:

Joe Bendzunas, John Lamphere (our guest speaker), Aaron Roth, and Harrison Wilde

Student Guests:

Katherine Van Wert and Robert J. Lowery

Birthdays:

Mark DuFore (May 21) and Dick Shineman (May 21)

Anniversaries:

Joe Hutchinson (1987), Randy Zeigler (2003), Peter Kaulfuss (2006), Shawn Seale (2006), and Karen Ferguson (2008)

Fines/Happy Dollars:

Paul Heins and Rick Tesoriero collected lots of fines and happy dollars today!

50-50 Raffle:

Bill Crist won \$5 in today's jackpot but was unsuccessful in drawing the Ace of Spades and winning the grand jackpot of \$14.

Meeting Adjourned:

1:10 p.m.

We were pleased to see those of you who attended today's meeting: Ed Caraccioli, Pete Colucci, Bill Crist, Diane Dillon, Mark DuFore, Karen Ferguson, John Fitzgibbons, Tim Gleason, Terry Gorman, Dave Granoff, Paul Heins, Tony Henderson, Joe Hutchinson, Tom Ingram, Deana Masucca, Deb Robillard, Frank Sayer, Shawn Seale, Ann Seifried, Selma Sheridan, Dick Shineman, Jon Spaulding, Corte Spencer, Rick Tesoriero, Melanie Trexler, Vern Tryon, Dave Welsch, Sue Witmer, Bob Wood, and Randy Zeigler.

Reporting Make-Ups: Please report make-ups for missed meetings by sending an email to the [Attendance Committee](#). Be sure to include the place or activity being used for the make-up, its date, and the date of the missed meeting. Absences from Rotary meetings may be made up by attending meetings of other Rotary clubs anywhere in the world, Rotary International or District functions, or Board of Directors' meetings; participating in Rotary service projects; attending Rotary committee meetings; or by meeting online at a [Rotary eclub](#).



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Job Well Done Recognition Award: None today

Rotary Minute: None today

Calendar:

May 16	District Assembly Workshop (starting at 8:00 a.m.)
May 22	District Foundation Dinner (Rosamond Gifford Zoo, Syracuse)
June 1	Rotary Golf Tournament (Links at Erie Village)
June 21-24	Rotary International Conference (Birmingham, England)

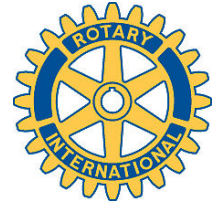
Announcements:

- ❖ Thanks to everyone who helped out with the Rotary Pancake Breakfast – which, as usual, turned out to be a rousing success! Thanks also to Vern Tryon, who coordinated the event!
- ❖ Vern Tryon announced that the Oswego Salvation Army has recently created an “I Believe” team aimed at planning, coordinating, and conducting small fundraising projects and invited interested Rotarians to consider joining the team.
- ❖ The Rotary District 7150 Assembly Workshop will be held on Saturday, May 16 beginning at 8:00 a.m. in Madison County. Please contact President Shawn Seale for further details.
- ❖ The Rotary Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, June 1 at the Links at Erie village. Cost is \$125 per participant, including the golf, a cart, dinner, and reception. There will be a shotgun start at noon.
- ❖ The Rotary International Convention will be held on Sunday, June 21-Wednesday, June 24 in Birmingham, England. Please contact President Shawn Seale for further details.
- ❖ Thanks to all who participated in last week’s Literacy Volunteers “Scrabblefest.”
- ❖ Randy Zeigler encouraged us to help out with the planting for this year’s “Project Bloom,” which will take place on Saturday, May 30. He also encouraged us to consider serving as a sponsor for the project. Today’s and next week’s fines/happy dollars will be contributed to Project Bloom.
- ❖ 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 President Shawn Seale, Melanie Trexler, or Bill Crist.



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Today's Program: Sue Witmer reintroduced our guest speaker, John Lamphere, who continued his discussion from last week about interesting Civil War facts. Today John focused most of his remarks on individuals of note during the Civil War era. Dr. Mary Walker – a surgeon, the only female doctor in the Civil War, and the only female recipient of this country's Medal of Honor -- was born in Oswego, NY. William Seward -- who served as a judge, as the Governor of New York State, as a U.S. Senator, and as Secretary of State under Presidents Lincoln and Johnson, and is known for engineering the U.S.'s purchase of Alaska from Russia (which turned out to be everything but a "folly") – was from Auburn, NY. Seward also recruited heavily in this area for soldiers during the Civil War. In addition, Harriet Tubman -- an African-American abolitionist and Union spy during the Civil War -- settled in Auburn during this time primarily because of Seward. Clara Barton -- a teacher, nurse, and humanitarian known as the "Angel of the Battlefield" during the Civil War -- was the founder of the American Red Cross and established the first office of the American Red Cross in Dansville, NY. George Barnard -- who at one time ran a shop in Oswego -- photographed Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War era and actually took the photo of Lincoln that now is seen on our \$5 bill. In addition, he accompanied General Sherman on his "March to the Sea" during the Civil War and later became George Eastman's first partner. And finally, Miles Keogh – who served as Adjutant to General George Armstrong Custer and was killed at the Battle of Little Big Horn – was buried in Auburn, NY. He is probably most known for his horse, Comanche, the only survivor of the battle and who has been immortalized in a poem written by John Hay called "Miles Keogh's Horse." John concluded his remarks by sharing with us an anecdote dealing with President Lincoln's assassination. After Lincoln was assassinated, a train carried him from Washington, D.C. to Springfield, Illinois, where he had lived between 1837 and 1861. As the train passed by in Syracuse, it was nearly shot (accidentally) by a cannon ball that had been discharged in the president's honor. In Weedsport, the locals lit a funeral pyre in honor of President Lincoln, but they set it so close to the tracks that the train sped up rather than slowing down! Thanks for a most informative and enjoyable presentation, John – both this week's and last's!

2009 PROGRAMS

Date	Rotarian	Program
May 12	Bill Crist	School Budget
May 19	Melanie Trexler	Terry Hammill -- Ancestry
May 26	Dave Welsch	Diana Wolgemuth -- Dale Carnegie Training
June 2	Vern Tryon	Salvation Army CPT Ken Hayes & Jeff Wallace
June 9	Rick Tesoriero	Ron Graham – BOCES (New Vision Allied Health)

ASSIGNMENTS FOR MEALS ON WHEELS AND FRONT DESK/BANNER

St Luke's Meals on Wheels

Front Desk and Banners

May 12	DuFore/Fitzgibbons	May 12	Kesler/Robillard
May 19	Fitzgibbons/Ferguson	May 19	Seifried/Paricio
May 26	SUNRISE CLUB	May 26	Paricio/V. Sayer
June 2	Ferguson/Gleason	June 2	V. Sayer/Sheridan
June 9	Gleason/Gorman	June 9	Sheridan/Spaulding
June 16	Masucca/Robillard	June 16	Spaulding/Spencer
June 23	Gorman/Granoff	June 23	Spencer/Trexler
June 30	SUNRISE CLUB	June 30	Trexler/Tesoriero



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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
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