



Rome Rotary Club News



President: Melissa Graves
President-Elect: Joyce Midlam
Vice President: Carol Mooney
Past President: Joe Fusco

Club Established 1919

Treasurer: Sandie Latimer
Secretary: Karin Tuthill
Dist 7150 Gov: Jim Gascon
ADG (Area 4): Jana Haldenwang

July 15, 2011

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

Annual dues are DUE! Dues are \$210.00. Please make check out to Rome Rotary Club and give it to Sandie Latimer.



Rome Rotary Meeting of July 12, 2011 notes:

Melissa Graves opened the meeting to launch her year as president. No gavel was passed as outgoing president Joe Fusco was home recovering from cellulitis. Traditionally, Past President's Day, former top officeholders present were acknowledged: Mike Occhipinti, Keith Butters, Harry Winberg, Phil Trela, Dick Kahler, Donna Schonewetter, Rob Tracy and Bob Herrmann. Other recent presidents not in attendance: Pete Capponi, Vic DiPerna, John Toukatly, Glen Bahr, Dave Pangbourne, Ralph Froio, Dennis Schonewetter, Debbie Adamo, Greg Mattacola and Ray Carnevale. Melissa read each former president's RI motto before introducing the motto for her Rotary year, "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity."

Other elected officers for the 2011-2012 year are: Carol Mooney, vice-president; Joyce Midlam, president-elect; Karin Tuthill, secretary, Sandie Latimer, treasurer. Bill Tuthill is Rotary Foundation Chair and Fred Normand is sergeant-at-arms.

PDG Mike Occhipinti introduced Ava Dorfman, the wife of former active member Dr. Milton Dorfman. Mrs. Dorfman, a Paul Harris Fellow, has, since her husband's death in 1988, continued to contribute to our club's share for the Rotary Foundation's efforts to eliminate polio.

Debbie Conway introduced her guest, Kimberly Szenczyk, chief of interpretation at Fort Stanwix.

Canalfest plans were discussed. Grace Bottini asked members to focus on a household object that may be suitable to build a raffle basket around. For example, if a member could donate a big pasta bowl, it could be bundled with pasta, sauce, utensils etc. Perhaps a gardening basket could be built around gardening tools, seeds, gloves; or a toy basket. Ideas and donations are sought, but not baskets.

Melissa announced that we would not carry the huge flag in the Honor America Day parade this year as we had trouble finding enough people to do it, so a Rotary float will be in the parade this year. The float will represent aspects of Canalfest and is being designed by Jackie Corbett and Greg Keller. We still need people to walk alongside of it and hand out Canalfest brochures.

Jerry Haritatos is organizing a photo contest. Two photos can be submitted either in black and white or color. They should be turned in by Thursday, Aug. 4.

Canalfest community leaders are Jackie Corbett, Nancy Neiley and Jim Donovan. Nancy is coordinating volunteers.

On the ailing list: Barb Evans endured two eye surgeries and a split tooth.

A total of \$47 was collected for the Rescue Mission.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, July 19th, 2011 – The Franklin at noon.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

| <i>Date / Time</i> | <i>What</i> | <i>More Information</i> |
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| Tuesday, July 19 th @ noon | Canalfest Volunteer Day | @ The Franklin Hotel. Come find out what volunteer activities will be available during Canalfest! |
| Tuesday, July 26 th from 12pm to 3pm | Larry Brennan – Health & Humor thru Harmony | @ The Franklin Hotel. To learn more, visit http://lbrennanphd.blogspot.com/ |
| Saturday, July 30 th from 10am to 12pm | Honor America Days Parade | For more details visit http://www.romechamber.com/had.shtml |
| AUGUST | | |
| Tuesday, August 2 nd from 12pm to 3pm | Canalfest Final Review | @ The Franklin Hotel. We will go over the lists of events, timing and the status of volunteers. |
| Friday, August 5 th @ 5pm thru Sunday, August 7 @ 10pm | Canalfest Weekend!! | @ Bellamy Harbor Park. For more information, please visit http://romerotaryny.org/canal/index.htm . Entry forms for many of the events can be found at http://romerotaryny.org/canal/entry.htm . |
| Tuesday, August 9 th from 1pm – 4pm | Ed Welsh from AAA – Hybrid Cars | @ The Franklin Hotel |

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| Tuesday, August 16 th from 5pm to 8pm | Summer Picnic | @ Lee Town Park |
| Tuesday, August 23 rd from 12pm – 3pm | Jake Mihevc, Director of MVCC's CyberJobs training program | @ The Franklin Hotel |
| Tuesday, August 30 th from 1:30pm to 4:30pm | Carriann Ray, Superintendent of the NYS School for the Deaf | @ The Franklin Hotel. The topic will be "A Snapshot of the NYSSD." |
| OCTOBER | | |
| Saturday, October 29 th from 8:30am to 8:30pm | International Students Day | All over Rome, NY. More information coming soon... |

ATTENDANCE:

Grace Bottini, Debbie Conway, Jackie Corbett, Peter Costianes, Maria Dailey, Pat DeMatteo, Weezie Glasso, Pam Goodison, Missy Graves, Joel Gray, Jerry Haritatos, Virginia Herrmann, Bob Herrmann, Dick Kahler, Dave Kobernuss, Sandie Latimer, Joyce Midlam, Carol Mooney, Nancy Neiley, Dave Nolan, Fred Normand, Mike Occhipinti, Dave Rapke, Tony Recco, Cindy Roubian, Dee Swinney, Rob Tracy, Phil Trela, Karin Tuthill, Bill Tuthill, John Weber, Ed ("Coach") Weed, and Harry Winberg.

GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS:

A Warm Welcome to.....

Debbie Conway's guest Kimberly Szencyk, and visiting Rotarian, Donna Schonewetter (Sherrill).

AFTER-WORK MEETING (July 14th):

Attendance:

Jackie Corbett, Missy Graves, Jerry Haritatos, Joyce Midlam, and Maria Ramos.

Make-ups:

Maria Ramos, Jackie Corbett, Jerry Haritatos.

50/50:

Carol Mooney drew a 5 of clubs. Better luck next time!! You need to play to win!!

MAKE-UPS:

Carol Mooney, Debbie Conway, Tony Recco, Dave Rapke, Dick and Joan Kahler, Bob Hermann, Karin and Bill Tuthill, and Jim Donovan.

JULY BIRTHDAYS:

Vic DiPerna, Joe Fusco, Pam Goodison-Bick, Jerry Haritatos, Virginia Herrmann, Matt Miller, Fred Normand, Bill Tuthill, Rock Versace, George Waters, Ed ("Coach") Weed, and Bob Trowell.

JULY ROME ROTARY MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSAIRES:

Happy Anniversary to.....

Jim Brown (1989), Phil Trela (1989), Matt Miller (1998), Joan Kahler (1999), RoAnn Destito (2001), Frank Puma (2002), Sandi Lockwood (2002), Joe Fusco (2002), Cheryl Matt (2003), Bob Herrmann (2004), Virginia Herrmann (2004), Karin Tuthill (2007), and Debbie Conway (2007).

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"I long to accomplish great and noble tasks, but it is my chief duty to accomplish humble tasks as though they were great and noble. The world is moved along, not only by the mighty shoves of its heroes, but also by the aggregate of the tiny pushes of each honest worker." - Helen Keller

ROTARY INFORMATION:

Rome Rotary, PO Box 655, Rome, NY 13442-0655

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Check out Rome Rotary's Facebook Page!!

<https://www.facebook.com/RomeRotary>

OTHER NEWS!

THE ABRAHAM HOUSE FUND RAISER

This fund raiser will assist The Abraham House to ensure their continued mission to provide a caregiving, secure and loving home for the terminally ill in Oneida County. As The Abraham House is a not-for-profit 501C3 facility and is solely supported by charitable contributions, all donations are tax deductible. Checks may be written payable to "The Abraham House."



Black & Red Adult Bike



Blue and Black Youth Bike

WHAT: RAFFLE

WHEN: 12 AUGUST 2011

WHERE: Serco Inc., Rome Office, 7900 Turin Road, Rome NY 13440

TICKETS: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT: Through any Serco employee or by phone 315-371-9960

LIST OF PRIZES: One night stay at Vernon Downs Hotel & Casino (Value: \$149.00)

Adult Men's Mongoose 26" XR-75 Bicycle

Youth Mongoose 20" BMX Bicycle

Gift Certificate from Cornucopia Candle & Toy Shoppe (Value: \$25.00)

Flower Basket with Gift Cards

Other prizes will be added as they are received

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